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20 **Abstract:**

21 Recently, it has become evident that pharmaceutical excipients may interfere with the activity of ATP-
22 binding cassette (ABC) transporters and solute carriers (SLC). The present review aims to provide an
23 overview of surfactants shown to modulate substrate transport via SLCs and ABCs, and to discuss the
24 relevance for oral drug absorption. *In vitro*, more than hundred surfactants have been suggested to
25 decrease the efflux activity of P-glycoprotein (P-gp, ABCB1), and many of these surfactants also
26 inhibit the breast cancer resistance protein (BCRP, ABCG2), while conflicting results have been
27 reported for multidrug resistance-associated protein 2 (MRP2, ABCC2). In animals, surfactants such as
28 pluronic[®] P85 and polysorbate 20 have been shown to enhance the oral absorption of P-gp and BCRP
29 substrates. Many surfactants, including cremophor[®] EL and Solutol[®] HS 15 inhibiting ABC
30 transporters, were also found to inhibit SLCs in cell cultures. These carriers were SLC16A1, SLC21A3,
31 SLC21A9, SLC15A1-2, and SLC22A1-3. This overlap in specificity of surfactants that inhibit both
32 transporters and carriers might influence the oral absorption of various drug substances, nutrients, and
33 vitamins. Such biopharmaceutical elements may be relevant for future drug formulation design.

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35 **Key words:** Nonionic surfactant, Co-surfactant, ATP-binding cassette transporters, Solute carriers,
36 Oral absorption, Lipid-based formulations.

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40 1. Introduction:

41 Today, many drug substances approved for oral and parenteral use are prepared in surfactant containing
42 formulations such as lipid-based formulations, suspensions and solid dosage forms (Savla et al., 2017).
43 In these formulations, nonionic surfactants are used as solubilizers, stabilizers, wetting agents etc. In ~~the~~
44 ~~last recent~~ years, it has become evident that some surfactants may affect the function of ~~biological~~
45 membrane transport proteins by altering drug substance uptake (Engel et al., 2012; Rege et al., 2002)
46 and/or cellular efflux (Batrakova et al., 2003a; Rege et al., 2002; Yamagata et al., 2007b). Membrane
47 transport proteins relevant to drug transport are from two major families, i.e. the ATP-binding cassette
48 (ABC) family of efflux transporters and the solute carrier (SLC) family of cellular influx and efflux
49 carriers. In brief, members of the ABC family (hereafter termed “transporter”) depend directly on the
50 use of cellular ATP to complete their transport cycle, which in mammals result in cellular efflux.
51 Members of the SLC family do not directly depend on using cellular ATP, but are driven by substrate
52 concentrations and in many cases the concentration gradient of other substrates such as ions. A SLC
53 facilitates either cellular influx or efflux, and are hereafter termed “carrier”. Currently, the ABC and
54 SLC families consist of 51 and 417 members (HUGO Gene Nomenclature Committee, 2019),
55 respectively. The first indication that pharmaceutical excipients could alter the transport function of
56 transporters and carriers came from observations that nonionic surfactants such as cremophor[®] EL
57 (Woodcock et al., 1990), Solutol[®] HS 15 (Coon et al., 1991), and polysorbate 80 (Woodcock et al.,
58 1992) reversed multidrug resistance in cancer cells. In cell cultures, nonionic surfactants inhibited
59 different members of the ABC family such as P-glycoprotein (P-gp, MDR1, ABCB1) (Lo, 2003; Rege
60 et al., 2002), breast cancer resistance protein (BCRP, ABCG2) (Yamagata et al., 2007a, b), and
61 multidrug resistance-associated protein 2 (MRP2, ABCC2), although conflicting results have been

62 observed for MRP2 (Hanke et al., 2010; Li et al., 2013a, 2014). *In vivo*, in wild type animals, nonionic
63 surfactants have been shown to enhance the intestinal absorption and bioavailability of P-gp substrates
64 such as digoxin (Cornaire et al., 2004; Nielsen et al., 2016; Zhang et al., 2003), etoposide (Akhtar et al.,
65 2017; Al-Ali et al., 2018a), and paclitaxel (Varma and Panchagnula, 2005), and the BCRP substrate
66 topotecan (Yamagata et al., 2007b). Interestingly, corresponding control experiments in transporter
67 deficient animals showed that co-administration of nonionic surfactants with digoxin (Nielsen et al.,
68 2016) or etoposide (Al-Ali et al., 2018a) in *mdr1a* deficient rats, or topotecan (Yamagata et al., 2007b)
69 in *abcg2* deficient mice did not alter the oral absorption and bioavailability of these substrates. This
70 indeed indicates that surfactants increase intestinal absorption through P-gp or BCRP inhibition, and
71 for the drug substances in question, not through unspecific effects related to solubilizing of the drug
72 substances or through permeation enhancing effects.

73 Recently, *in vitro* studies have also shown that nonionic surfactants such as polysorbate 20 and
74 cremophor® EL inhibit the transport via several SLCs expressed ~~ien~~ on the apical membrane of
75 enterocytes such as the organic anion transporting polypeptide 1A2 (OATP1A2, SLC21A3) (Engel et
76 al., 2012) and organic cation transporters (OCT1-3, SLC22A1-3) (Otter et al., 2017; Soodvilai et al.,
77 2017). These observations indicate that biopharmaceutical considerations need to be an important part
78 of new formulation development when formulations contain pharmaceutical excipients such as
79 surfactants and co-surfactants because these excipients may have different impacts on transporters and
80 carriers. Therefore, addition of surfactants to obtain an enabling formulation may potentially influence
81 the oral absorption (positively or negatively) of a co-administered drug substance if this is a substrate
82 for a carrier and/or transporter. On the other hand, enabling formulations provide the formulation
83 scientist with the possibility to adjust drug absorption to become more consistent by selecting

84 appropriate excipients for drug substances that are ABC and/or SLC substrates. To do so, it becomes
85 important to understand: 1) the different impacts of nonionic surfactants on carriers and/or transporters,
86 2) the mechanism behind surfactant-protein interactions, and 3) whether such impacts of surfactants on
87 substrate-protein interactions observed in cell cultures may affect the pharmacokinetics parameters of
88 the substrates *in vivo*. Currently, the translational aspects of how excipients affect carriers and
89 transporters *in vivo* and how this may be exploited for formulation design are largely unexplored.

90 This review aims to provide an overview of surfactants shown to modulate substrate transport via
91 transporters and carriers, and to discuss the relevance for oral drug absorption, and when possible the
92 mechanism behind the interaction. In this paper, essential data is presented in tables, whereas more
93 comprehensive overviews are provided in [a supplementary tables](#) in order to enhance the readability of
94 the review.

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96 **2. Modulation of intestinal transporters and carriers**

97 In the 1980s, modulation of membrane transport proteins was originally proposed as a strategy for
98 chemo-sensitizing cancer cells and to increase the oral bioavailability of drug substances that were
99 substrates for the efflux transporter P-gp in humans. Therefore, inhibitors of efflux transporters such as
100 P-gp and BCRP were ~~then~~-identified and these inhibitors, for example verapamil (Tsuruo et al., 1981),
101 dexverapamil (Gramatté and Oertel, 1999), valsopodar (vanAsperen et al., 1997), and GF120918 (Hyafil
102 et al., 1993), showed promising results in inhibiting P-gp (GF120918 also inhibited BCRP)
103 (Maliepaard et al., 2001a), in pre-clinical studies. However, this strategy failed to produce safe and
104 effective treatment in human clinical trials (Dalton et al., 1995; Greenberg et al., 2004; Lehnert et al.,

105 1998; Mross et al., 1999; Planting et al., 2005; Ries and Dicato, 1991; Sparreboom et al., 1999; Warner
106 et al., 1998). Subsequently, other strategies based on natural products (Appendino et al., 2003; Yoshida
107 et al., 2005) and pharmaceutical excipients (Lo, 2003; Rege et al., 2002; Regev et al., 1999; Zhang et
108 al., 2003) were suggested. In the latter group of compounds, nonionic surfactants gained quite some
109 attention since many surfactants were found to enhance the intracellular accumulation of anticancer
110 drugs including daunorubicin, vinblastine, and etoposide in cancer cells (Buckingham et al., 1995;
111 Woodcock et al., 1990), and to influence the translocation activity of several transporters (Batrakova et
112 al., 2001; Lo, 2003; Rege et al., 2002) and carriers (Rege et al., 2002). In terms of intestinal absorption,
113 it has been reported that nonionic surfactants such as cremophor[®] EL (Rege et al., 2002), polysorbate
114 80 (Lo, 2003), and d- α -tocopheryl polyethylene glycol 1000 succinate (TPGS 1000) (Bogman et al.,
115 2005) increased the absorptive permeability and decreased the secretory permeability of the P-gp
116 substrates drug substances rhodamine 123, epirubicin, and talinolol, respectively, *in vitro* using the
117 Caco-2 cell monolayers model. Likewise, in intestinal segments of rats, surfactants such as TPGS 1000
118 (Varma and Panchagnula, 2005) and polysorbate 40 (Zhu et al., 2009) enhanced mucosal to serosal (M-
119 S) permeability and decreased S-M permeability of P-gp substrates paclitaxel and rhodamine 123,
120 respectively. Moreover, *in vivo*, it has been shown that Solutol[®] HS 15 (Bittner et al., 2002),
121 polysorbate 80 (Zhang et al., 2003), and pluronic[®] P85 (Föger et al., 2006) enhanced the oral
122 absorption and exposure of P-gp substrates colchicine, digoxin, and rhodamine 123, respectively.
123 Consequently, it was evident that nonionic surfactants could be potential alternatives to conventional P-
124 gp inhibitors.

125 Since the majority of research performed until now, has been focused on investigating the influence of
126 nonionic surfactants on P-gp, BCRP, and MRP2 transporters, and on carriers including monocarboxylic

127 acid transporter (MCT), OATP1A2, OATP2B1, OCT1-3 and peptide transporters 1 and 2 (PEPT1 and
128 2), this review will therefore summarize and discuss the impact of nonionic surfactants on these
129 transporters and carriers *in vitro* and on the intestinal absorption of substrate drug substances *in vivo*.

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131 3. Expression of selected transporters and carriers along the human intestine

132 The intestinal expression of transporters and carriers have been studied for years using various mRNA-
133 based techniques, such as northern blotting and RT-PCR, as well as protein quantification methods, e.g.
134 western blotting. As an example, Broberg et al. studied the expression of the proton-coupled amino
135 acid transporter PAT1 along the length of the rat intestine taking samples from each 5 cm and
136 measured the *pat1* mRNA expression in each segment (Broberg et al., 2012). Recently, the emerging of
137 high-resolution MS/MS-based techniques, membrane proteomics has received attention as a tool to
138 describe the absolute transporter or carrier abundance in enterocytes. Knowing transporter and carrier
139 abundancies in the intestine is important for understanding the absorption windows of drug substances
140 (Oswald et al., 2006) and drug-drug interactions (Giacomini et al., 2010). Furthermore, absolute
141 transporter and carrier abundance in different segments of the intestine is necessary for PBPK
142 modelling (Harwood et al., 2013). The present section will briefly review the transporter and carrier
143 abundance in the human intestine and Caco-2 cells of the selected transporter and carriers discussed in
144 the present review.

145 Table 1 shows protein concentrations of selected transporters and carriers in Caco-2 cells and in
146 different regions of the human intestine. Naturally, cell differentiation affects transport and carrier
147 protein expression, which ~~is~~was also shown by Uchida et al. (Uchida et al., 2015). Therefore, we only

148 compare expression levels in cells with a similar degree of differentiation, and all three studies have
149 ~~shown~~ investigated the expression in Caco-2 cells cultured for three weeks. Expression levels in cells
150 obtained from different cell banks may vary to a high degree as illustrated for the glucose carrier
151 SGLT1 by Steffansen and co-workers (Steffansen et al., 2017). For this reason, we have compared
152 studies of Caco-2 cells from different cell banks (DSMZ, ECACC, and ATCC). The most extensive
153 and systematic work in regional transporter and carrier expression in the intestine has been performed
154 by Drozdik and co-workers (Drozdik et al., 2019; Drozdik et al., 2014)

155 Regarding transporters, the P-gp expression ranged ds from low to high (Akazawa et al., 2018; Drozdik
156 et al., 2019; Drozdik et al., 2014; Gröer et al., 2013; Harwood et al., 2015; Lloret-Linares et al., 2016),
157 and the expression increased ds from the proximal small intestine towards the distal small intestine
158 (Akazawa et al., 2018; Drozdik et al., 2014; Gröer et al., 2013) and ~~drops~~ decreased in the colon to
159 levels similar to those in the proximal small intestine (Table 1) (Drozdik et al., 2019; Drozdik et al.,
160 2014). Caco-2 cells expressed ed slightly elevated levels of P-gp, compared to the small intestine (Brück
161 et al., 2017; Uchida et al., 2015; Ölander et al., 2016). BCRP expression varied ds between the studies
162 from low (Drozdik et al., 2014) to very high (Akazawa et al., 2018) expression in the small intestine
163 with an increasing expression from the proximal to the distal part of small intestine (Drozdik et al.,
164 2019; Drozdik et al., 2014). In the colon, very low to intermediate expression of BCRP has been
165 reported (Drozdik et al., 2019; Drozdik et al., 2014). Similarly, reported expression of BCRP in
166 Caco-2 cells varied ds greatly. MRP2 and MRP3 generally seem were intermediately to highly expressed
167 along the entire intestine (Akazawa et al., 2018; Drozdik et al., 2019; Drozdik et al., 2014; Gröer et
168 al., 2013; Harwood et al., 2015) with a slight tendency of elevated expression in the colon (Drozdik et
169 al., 2019; Drozdik et al., 2014). The expression of MRP2 in Caco-2 cells is ~~was~~ similar to the

170 expression in the small intestine (Brück et al., 2017; Uchida et al., 2015) with one exception, where
171 lower expression was reported (Ölander et al., 2016). Ölander and co-workers quantified MRP3 in
172 Caco-2 cells, and the expression of this protein was similar to the expression in the small intestine
173 (Ölander et al., 2016). Brück et. al. and Uchida et. al. could not quantify MRP3 in Caco-2 cells (Brück
174 et al., 2017; Uchida et al., 2015).

175 Regarding carriers, PEPT1 exhibiteds high to very high expression in the small intestine (Akazawa et
176 al., 2018; Drozdik et al., 2019; Drozdik et al., 2014; Gröer et al., 2013; Miyauchi et al., 2016), and
177 increasing expression in the proximal to distal direction in the small intestine (Drozdik et al., 2019;
178 Drozdik et al., 2014), however, the expression in the colon is-was highly reduced (approx. 10- to 30-
179 fold) (Drozdik et al., 2019; Drozdik et al., 2014); (~~see~~ Table 1). In Caco-2 cells, PEPT1 showeds
180 different levels of expression from colon-like levels to small intestine-like levels (Brück et al., 2017;
181 Uchida et al., 2015; Ölander et al., 2016) (Table 1).

182 Absolute amounts of transporters and carriers in the human gastrointestinal tract highly depend on the
183 site of sampling for the determination. Therefore, it is important to note that the site of sampling from
184 anatomical structures varies between studies in the field (Drozdik et al., 2019; Drozdik et al., 2014;
185 Lloret-Linares et al., 2016; Miyauchi et al., 2016). Additionally, tissue samples are occasionally only
186 defined as ‘jejunal’, ‘ileal’, ‘distal jejunum’, or ‘distal ileum’ with no further definition (Akazawa et al.,
187 2018; Gröer et al., 2013; Harwood et al., 2015). Likewise, great inter-individual variation of intestinal
188 transporter and carrier protein expression is likely, and we have left out all statistical deviation
189 parameters in (Table 1) to enhance the overview. Moreover, protein expression is affected by external
190 factors, for example certain drug compounds (Lin and Yamazaki, 2003) and dietary elements (Erickson

191 et al., 1995) along with general health condition and diseases (Englund et al., 2007; Wojtal et al.,
192 2009).

193 Finally, inter-laboratory variation is a well-documented factor, and we refer to the excellent cross-
194 laboratory study by Wegler and co-workers (Wegler et al., 2017). Herein, the authors have shown large
195 variabilities, depending on the methods applied for quantification, especially when they compare
196 whole-lysate and membrane fractionation techniques in the sample preparation. Depending on the drug
197 formulation, pharmaceutical excipients, such as nonionic surfactants, are likely to be present at
198 different concentrations in different segments of the intestine. To firmly understand how the excipients
199 will affect drug absorption influenced by transporters or carriers, it is crucial to obtain more PBPK
200 modelling knowledge regarding transporter and carrier expression patterns.

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202 **4. Nonionic surfactants modulate the transport activity of several ABC transporters**

203 **4.1 Impact of nonionic surfactants on P-glycoprotein**

204 The first discovered member of the ABC family, P-glycoprotein (Juliano and Ling, 1976), has until
205 now been the most investigated transporter. ~~Since P-gp was found to mediate the cellular efflux of~~
206 ~~drug substances belonging to different drug classes, e.g. anticancer drugs and antibiotics, extensive~~
207 ~~research has been performed to modulate the transport activity of the transporter *in vitro* and *in vivo*.~~
208 ~~The next sections will focus on P-gp molecular characterization and substrate transport via P-gp, and~~
209 ~~cellular expression and tissue distribution of P-gp. In the subsequent sections, the effects of surfactants~~
210 ~~and co-surfactants on P-gp activity *in vitro* and on the intestinal absorption of P-gp substrates *in vivo*~~
211 ~~will be discussed.~~

~~P-glycoprotein molecular characterization and substrate transport~~

P-glycoprotein is a 170 kDa efflux transporter that requires energy from ATP hydrolysis to pump substrates out or across cellular membranes. It has been estimated that P-gp requires two ATP molecules to transport one substrate (Ambudkar et al., 1997; Sauna and Ambudkar, 2001). Due to the direct use of ATP, the transporter is able to transport its substrates against the concentration gradient, and therefore ~~P-gp can~~ limit the cellular accumulation and retention of certain drug substances. In human, P-gp is expressed in the cell membrane in different tissues such as the luminal membrane in enterocytes, the canalicular membrane in hepatocytes, in the luminal membrane in proximal tubular cell, in the luminal membrane of endothelial cells of the central nervous system and testes, bronchial cells of lungs, and placenta (Cordon-Cardo et al., 1990), hence affecting the ADMET properties of its substrates. P-gp substrates include a wide range of hydrophobic and amphipathic substrates such as drug substances and toxins with diverse molecular weight ranging from approximately 300-4000 Da (Fromm, 2004; Rao et al., 1999; Su et al., 2009). Hundreds of drug substances are P-gp substrates (Drugbank, 2019) including anti-cancer drugs, antibiotics, cardiac drugs, immuno-suppressants, lipid-lowering agents, HIV drugs, and hormones (Chan et al., 2004; Fromm, 2004; Seelig, 1998).

~~It has previously been suggested that P-gp substrates might diffuse through the membrane bilayer and reach the cytoplasmic leaflet, where the substrate gets access to the protein (Raviv et al., 1990). P-gp will then according to this mechanistic proposal act as a hydrophobic “vacuum cleaner” that pumps the substrate to the extracellular environment (Raviv et al., 1990). Another model referred as “flippase model” assumed that the P-gp substrate first partition into the lipid bilayer and reach the inner leaflet, where the substrate has access to P-gp. At this stage, the substrate will be pumped directly to the extracellular environment by P-gp or flipped by the protein to the outer leaflet of the lipid bilayer~~

~~(Higgins and Gottesman, 1992). In both cases, the movement of the substrate would be driven by either the equilibrium between the concentration of the substrate in the extracellular environment and in the outer leaflet, or between the concentration of the substrate in the inner leaflet and in the cytoplasm (Higgins and Gottesman, 1992). There is accumulating evidence supporting the flippase model for P-gp mediated substrate transport across the membrane bilayer (Abulrob and Gumbleton, 1999; Eckford and Sharom, 2005; Romsicki and Sharom, 2001; van Helvoort et al., 1996).~~

It was proposed that the transmembrane (TM) organization of P-gp consists of two TM domains (Chen et al., 1986), which ~~e~~Each domain has six TM helices and one nucleotide-binding domain (NBD) located in the cytoplasm (Fig. 1a) (Chen et al., 1986) (Fig. 1a). Recently, the inward-facing conformation of mouse P-gp proposed that the TM helices are arranged to form an internal cavity of approximately 6000 Å³, which is integrated in the lipid bilayer (Aller et al., 2009). ~~It has been suggested that P-gp might have portals open to the cytoplasmic region and to the inner leaflet of the lipid bilayer (Aller et al., 2009). The P-gp substrates may therefore via these portals get access to the binding sites in the internal cavity of the P-gp, where two P-gp substrates could simultaneously be accommodated (Aller et al., 2009).~~ By using cryo-electron microscopy at 3.4 Å resolution, recent research has also shown the outward-facing conformation of human P-gp (Kim and Chen, 2018). In brief, a P-gp substrate may bind to the internal cavity of the inward-facing conformation of P-gp, as it has been suggested by Aller and co-workers (Aller et al., 2009), and this initiates ATP binding to the NBDs of the protein (Kim and Chen, 2018). In the process of reaching the outward-facing confirmation, the NBDs ~~may~~ dimerize resulting in the NBD's becoming closer, while the TM helices re-arrange toward the extracellular space and compress, preventing the binding of the substrate to P-gp (Kim and Chen, 2018) (Fig. 1a). In its outward-facing confirmation, the extracellular part of TM helices seems to be flexible for the substrate release and transport to the extracellular environment.

257 ATP hydrolysis will then reset the P-gp to the inward-facing conformation (Kim and Chen, 2018). ~~as it~~
258 ~~has been illustrated for the mouse P-gp (Aller et al., 2009). The inward and outward facing~~
259 ~~conformations of P-gp which were proposed to occur during the substrates translocation may support~~
260 ~~that the substrates transport across the membrane bilayer most likely occur by the flippase model.~~

252 **4.1.1 Nonionic surfactants inhibit P-glycoprotein *in vitro* via different mechanisms**

264 The most investigated nonionic surfactants that inhibit P-gp transport *in vitro* are cremophor[®] EL,
265 Solutol[®] HS 15, TPGS 1000, polysorbate 20, polysorbate 80 and pluronic[®] P85, (see Table 2). Several
266 *in vitro* assays have been utilized to investigate the P-gp inhibitory properties of these surfactants
267 including: 1) measuring the impact of surfactants on substrate absorptive and/or secretory transport
268 using cell-based systems or intestinal segments excised from animals, 2) measuring the ATPase activity
269 ~~of P-gp~~ using membrane vesicles from cells overexpressing P-gp, and 3) fluorescence-based (e.g.
270 calcein-AM) efflux assay using cells ~~highly overexpressing~~ with P-gp. In bi-directional transport
271 assays, nonionic surfactants were shown to enhance the absorptive permeability of ~~model~~ P-gp
272 substrates such as digoxin (Al-Ali et al., 2018b; Batrakova et al., 2001; Collnot et al., 2010; Nielsen et
273 al., 2016) and rhodamine 123 (Collnot et al., 2010; Guan et al., 2011; Kiss et al., 2014; Rege et al.,
274 2002; Sachs-Barrable et al., 2007; Zhao et al., 2016), and to decrease the secretory permeability ~~of~~
275 ~~these substrates~~ across cell monolayers. Consequently, the data presented in Table 2 strongly support
276 that these surfactants inhibit the efflux activity of P-gp, thus provide a promising approach to inhibit P-
277 gp-mediated efflux of drug substances. In addition, Table S1 provides a comprehensive overview of
278 many other nonionic surfactants and co-surfactants that have shown different abilities to inhibit P-gp-

279 mediated transport *in vitro*. ~~The results provided in this table may assist providing an overview of~~
280 ~~likely interactions.~~

281 Different mechanisms have been proposed to explain the mechanisms behind how nonionic surfactants
282 increase drug absorption by inhibiting P-gp-mediated cellular efflux (see-Fig. 2). Work from Seelig and
283 co-worker has suggested that the inhibition may occur through partitioning of the hydrophobic tail of
284 the surfactant into the cell membrane, while the hydrogen bond acceptor groups in the hydrophilic
285 moiety of the surfactant form hydrogen bonds with the hydrogen bond donor groups in the TM domain
286 of the protein (Li-Blatter et al., 2009; Seelig and Gerebtzoff, 2006), (Fig. 2). These hydrogen bonds
287 between the surfactant and the TM domain in P-gp may explain the higher affinity of surfactants with
288 large number of hydrogen bond acceptor groups such as n-octyl- β -D-maltopyranoside (C₈-malt) and 3-
289 cyclohexyl-1-propyl- β -D-maltopyranoside (Cymal-3), than surfactants with fewer hydrogen bond
290 acceptor groups e.g. n-heptyl- β -D-glucopyranoside (C₇-gluc). Thus C₈-malt and Cymal-3 with a similar
291 number of hydrogen bond acceptor groups exhibit almost the same affinity to the membrane as C₇-gluc,
292 but a higher affinity to the P-gp protein, due to the duplication of the sugar moiety in maltopyranoside
293 based-surfactants compared to the single sugar moiety in glucopyranoside (Li-Blatter et al., 2012; Li-
294 Blatter et al., 2009; Li-Blatter and Seelig, 2010; Xu et al., 2015). This observation may be supported by
295 the results from a recent study (Al-Ali et al., 2018b), which reported that polysorbate 20 elicited higher
296 affinity to P-gp in the calcein-AM efflux assay than the mono-saccharide based surfactants, e.g. lauroyl
297 methyl glucamide, and the di-saccharides based surfactants, e.g. lauryl- β -D-maltoside, since the former
298 surfactant had a higher number of hydrogen acceptor groups when retaining the laurate side chain in
299 the surfactants (Al-Ali et al., 2018b). The latter study also suggested that extending the alkyl side chain
300 to more than laurate e.g. stearate in polysorbate 60 and oleate in polysorbate 80, or attaching multiple

301 alkyl groups such as tri-stearate in polysorbate 65, while retaining the hydrophilic group in these
302 surfactants, may decrease the affinity of the surfactant to P-gp (Al-Ali et al., 2018b). Therefore, the
303 study concluded that *in vitro* both the hydrophobic and hydrophilic moieties in nonionic surfactant may
304 contribute to the surfactant mediated P-gp inhibition.

305 The second proposed mechanism of P-gp inhibition by nonionic surfactants relates to the alteration of
306 membrane bilayer fluidity induced by surfactants, an alteration that might indirectly inhibit the ATPase
307 activity (Fig. 2). It was shown that polysorbate 20, Nonidet™ P-40 and Triton™ X-100, which all
308 increase the fluidity of artificial membranes, inhibited P-gp ATPase activity in membrane vesicles
309 prepared from Chinese hamster ovary AA8 cells (Regev et al., 1999), (Table 2). In addition, it was
310 reported that polysorbate 80 and cremophor® EL, which increased membrane fluidity significantly, also
311 inhibited P-gp. The inhibition resulted in a significant increase in the absorptive permeability across
312 Caco-2 cells of the model P-gp substrate rhodamine 123 and a significant decrease in the secretory
313 permeability (Rege et al., 2002). In a subsequent study, the surfactant N-octyl glucoside did not
314 modulate membrane bilayer fluidity and did not change the absorptive and secretory permeability of
315 rhodamine 123 (Rege et al., 2002).

316 Wei and co-workers proposed that the intracellular depletion of ATP was the main mechanism of P-gp
317 inhibition by pluronic-based surfactants such as pluronic® P123 suggesting a third mechanism of P-gp
318 inhibition (Wei et al., 2010; Wei et al., 2013), (see Fig. 2). This third suggested mechanism of P-gp
319 inhibition is supported by previous studies which reported that pluronic® P85 and pluronic® L64
320 enhanced the intracellular accumulation of the P-gp substrate rhodamine 123 and decreased
321 intracellular ATP *in vitro* (Batrakova et al., 2003a), (Table 2).

322 The fourth proposed mechanism of surfactant mediated P-gp inhibition suggested a combined effect of
323 depleted intracellular ATP and alteration in cellular membrane fluidity (Batrakova et al., 2003a;
324 Batrakova et al., 2003b), (~~see~~ Fig. 2). In support of this, it was reported that pluronic[®] P85 and
325 pluronic[®] L81, which enhanced membrane fluidity, were able to deplete ~~the~~ intracellular ATP, and
326 significantly enhanced the intracellular accumulation of rhodamine 123 in bovine brain microvessel
327 endothelial cells (Batrakova et al., 2003b; Batrakova et al., 2004), (Table S1).

328 Consequently, the mechanisms of P-gp inhibition by surfactants seem complex. It could be that one or
329 more mechanisms ~~or more~~ are involved ~~in such inhibition~~. However, further research focused on
330 ~~further~~ characterizing the underlying mechanism(s) of surfactant-mediated P-gp inhibition is needed,
331 which might assist in choosing the appropriate surfactant(s) or developing new surfactant(s) that could
332 be more potent than the ones available and perhaps transporter specific.

333 **4.1.24.1.1 Surfactants used in preparing lipid-based formulations may inhibit** 334 **P-glycoprotein *in vitro***

335 Surfactants can be used in pharmaceutical formulations such as lipid-based formulations (LBF)
336 (Pouton, 2006). Currently, many drug substances available in the market are incorporated into LBFs
337 such as tipranavir (Aptivus[®]), bexarotene (Targretin[®]), and sirolimus (Rapamune[®]), where the
338 surfactants function as solubilizing agents and emulsifiers (Savla et al., 2017). For formulations of P-gp
339 substrates, inclusion of surfactants that have P-gp inhibition properties might be advantageous with
340 respect to enhancement of substrate transport across biological membranes. Therefore, studies have
341 reported the use of the LBFs to enhance the oral absorption of different P-gp substrates (Akhtar et al.,
342 2015; Zhao et al., 2013). The self-micro-emulsifying drug delivery systems (SMEDDS) containing

343 cremophor[®] RH 40, cremophor[®] EL, or polysorbate 80 (Zhao et al., 2013), and the self-nano-
344 emulsifying drug delivery systems (SNEDDS) containing cremophor[®] RH40 and Transcutol[®] P
345 (Akhtar et al., 2015) were shown to enhance etoposide permeability across intestinal tissues and cell
346 monolayers partly due to the inhibition of P-gp by these surfactants. In human, several studies showed
347 enhanced oral absorption of the P-gp substrate cyclosporine A when formulated in LBFs compared to
348 the oral absorption of cyclosporine A from conventional oral dosage forms (Bekerman et al., 2004;
349 Drewe et al., 1992; Postolache et al., 2002). Cyclosporine A is an immunosuppressant used in
350 prophylaxis and treatment of graft rejection in organ transplantations, and in treatment of autoimmune
351 diseases e.g. rheumatoid arthritis, aplastic anemia, and myasthenia gravis (Italia et al., 2006).
352 Cyclosporine A has low aqueous solubility (0.04 mg mL⁻¹) (O'Leary et al., 1986), low permeability in
353 cell cultures (Augustijns et al., 1993; Fricker et al., 1996), and high variations in oral bioavailability
354 among patients (Czogalla, 2009; Lown, 1997). In the studies where cyclosporine A was prepared in
355 LBFs (Bekerman et al., 2004; Drewe et al., 1992; Postolache et al., 2002), the possible P-gp inhibition
356 effect of excipients, e.g. nonionic surfactants, was however not mentioned. Interestingly, the excipients
357 used to prepare LBFs-containing cyclosporine A were polysorbate 80, cremophor RH 40 (Bekerman et
358 al., 2004), sucrose monolaurate, hydrogenated castor oil, and polyethylene glycol (Drewe et al., 1992),
359 which were later shown to possess P-gp inhibitory properties *in vitro* (Al-Ali et al., 2018a; Al-Saraf et
360 al., 2016; Ashiru-Oredope et al., 2011; Chiu et al., 2003; Cornaire et al., 2004; Gurjar et al., 2018;
361 Hanke et al., 2010; Hodaei et al., 2015; Hugger et al., 2002; Johnson et al., 2002; Kiss et al., 2014;
362 Rege et al., 2002; Shono et al., 2004) (Table 2 and S1), and/or *in vivo* (Shimomura et al., 2016; Zhang
363 et al., 2003; Zhao et al., 2013) (Table 3).

364 Furthermore, previous research have reported that several surfactants such as lauroyl methyl
365 glucamide, lauryl- β -D-maltoside, and trehalose 6-laurate that inhibited the efflux of P-gp substrate
366 calcein-AM in MDCKII MDR1 cells, (Table S1), might also possess paracellular and/or transcellular
367 permeation enhancing effects in cell cultures (Al-Ali et al., 2018b; Eley and Triumalashetty, 2001;
368 Petersen et al., 2012). Such effects might be advantageous when designing LBFs to enhance the oral
369 absorption of P-gp substrate drug substances with limited oral bioavailability induced by intestinal P-
370 gp.

371 Additionally, the mixed micelles formulations such as pluronic[®] 105/pluronic[®] F-127, pluronic[®]
372 P123/pPluronic[®] F127, and polysorbate 80/pluronic[®] F-127 were shown to inhibit the P-gp-mediated
373 efflux of docetaxel (Chen et al., 2013), paclitaxel (Wei et al., 2010), and morin (Choi et al., 2015),
374 respectively, in cells highly over-expressing P-gp (Table S1). Despite the fact, that pluronic[®] F-127 was
375 used in the latter formulations and proposed to inhibit P-gp in another study (Guan et al., 2011), several
376 studies reported that pluronic[®] F-127 did not inhibit P-gp mediated efflux of ~~several~~ P-gp substrates
377 e.g. such as rhodamine 123 (Batrakova et al., 2003b; Wei et al., 2013), nelfinavir (Shaik et al., 2008),
378 etoposide (Al-Ali et al., 2018a), and digoxin (Gurjar et al., 2018). In these types of formulations, one
379 limitation could be that the drug substances might also be adsorbed to the core of surfactant micelles,
380 which may decrease the free fraction of unbound substrate in the formulation, thus affecting the
381 subsequent oral absorption and bioavailability of the substrate *in vivo*. Therefore, investigating the
382 release of drug substances from micelles is important and should be performed *in vitro* in order to
383 avoid or understand such impacts of surfactants *in vivo*. The LBFs containing nonionic surfactants that
384 have P-gp inhibitory properties seem, however, as a promising approach to improve P-gp substrates
385 permeability across cellular membranes.

386 **4.1.34.1.2 Nonionic surfactants inhibited P-glycoprotein *in vitro* at below and**
387 **above critical micelle concentrations**

388 In several studies performed in cell cultures, it was observed that the inhibition of P-gp transport
389 activity by nonionic surfactants decreased at concentrations at or above the surfactants critical micelles
390 concentration (CMC) compared to concentration below CMC. It was reported that pluronic[®] P85
391 (Batrakova et al., 2003b; Batrakova et al., 2004), cremophor[®] EL (Shono et al., 2004), and polysorbate
392 40 (Zhu et al., 2009) were effective in inhibiting P-gp transport activity at concentrations lower than
393 their CMCs *in vitro*; however, this inhibitory effect decreased at or above the surfactants CMC values
394 (Batrakova et al., 2003a; Batrakova et al., 2003b; Batrakova et al., 2004; Shono et al., 2004; Zhu et al.,
395 2009) (Table 2 and S1). A possible explanation to this observation could be that most P-gp substrates
396 are lipophilic substances, which after incorporation into the hydrophobic core of micelles, lead to a
397 decrease in the unbound fraction of the substrate available for the transcellular transport, and hence the
398 observed reduction in substrate transport, termed the solubility/permeability interplay (Beig et al.,
399 2017; Beig et al., 2015; Dahan et al., 2010; Miller et al., 2011).

400 In addition, using the parallel artificial membrane permeability assay (PAMPA), the passive
401 permeability of the P-gp substrate paclitaxel across artificial membranes have been shown to decrease
402 significantly when the TPGS 1000 concentration in the donor chamber was above the CMC (Varma
403 and Panchagnula, 2005). Furthermore, using PAMPA, increasing the concentration of the surfactants
404 such as sodium lauryl sulfate above the CMC values decreased the passive permeability of etoposide
405 across artificial membranes (Beig et al., 2015). The PAMPA studies may support the hypothesis that
406 the decreased permeability of the substrates was related to the incorporation of paclitaxel and etoposide

407 in the micelles, this may support the effect of surfactant on the thermodynamic activity of the substrate
408 rather than the decreased inhibitory effect of surfactant above the CMC.

409 Moreover, many studies have reported that nonionic surfactants, used at concentrations above their
410 CMCs, inhibited the efflux of P-gp substrates *in vitro* such as (Surfactant: P-gp substrate/s):
411 (cremophor[®] RH 40: rhodamine 123) (Kiss et al., 2014), (Brij[®] 58: digoxin and rhodamine 123)
412 (Gurjar et al., 2018; Zhao et al., 2016), (cremophor[®] EL: etoposide and digoxin) (Al-Ali et al., 2018a;
413 Gurjar et al., 2018), (Labrasol[®]: rhodamine 123) (Lin et al., 2007), and (polysorbate 20: etoposide,
414 doxorubicin, digoxin, and epirubicin) (Al-Ali et al., 2018b; Al-Saraf et al., 2016; Gurjar et al., 2018;
415 Lo, 2003). Consequently, it seems that nonionic surfactants at concentration higher than their CMC
416 values are able to inhibit P-gp *in vitro*; however, care should be taken in the interpretation due to the
417 potential influence ~~for~~of the solubility/permeability interplay.

418 **4.1.44.1.3 Polyethylene glycol (PEG) derivatives inhibited P-glycoprotein *in*** 419 ***vitro***

420 In addition to nonionic surfactants, co-surfactants such as polyethylene glycol (PEG) derivatives are
421 used in a broad spectrum of drug delivery systems where these excipients are used as solubilizers,
422 stabilizers, release-modifiers, and bioavailability enhancers (D'Souza and Shegokar, 2016). From Table
423 2 and S1, it can be noticed that several PEG derivatives with different molecular weight including PEG
424 300, PEG 400, PEG 2000, PEG 6000, and PEG 20000 were reported to decrease the efflux of several
425 P-gp substrates in Caco-2 cells and in rat intestinal segments. *In vitro*, it has been shown that PEG 400
426 at concentration of 0.1-20% (w/v, or v/v) may decrease the efflux of several P-gp substrates e.g.
427 digoxin (Johnson et al., 2002), ranitidine (Ashiru-Oredope et al., 2011), and rhodamine 123 (Hodaei et

428 al., 2015; Shen et al., 2006). Furthermore, recent studies have reported that PEG 400 may decrease the
429 P-gp expression in Caco-2 cells (Hodaei et al., 2015) and increase the P-gp ATPase activity (Ashiru-
430 Oredope et al., 2011), suggesting two different mechanism of P-gp inhibition. The latter effect might
431 refer to the direct interaction of PEG 400 with P-gp, thus competitively inhibited the protein (Ashiru-
432 Oredope et al., 2011). Moreover, PEG 300 was reported to inhibit P-gp through altering Caco-2
433 membrane fluidity (Hugger et al., 2002), suggesting a third mechanism of PEG derivatives mediated P-
434 gp inhibition *in vitro*.

435 **4.1.54.1.4 Nonionic surfactants increased the oral absorption of P-glycoprotein** 436 **substrates *in vivo***

437 The impact of nonionic surfactants on the oral absorption of P-gp substrates have mainly been
438 investigated in wild type rats; (Table 3). Several surfactants such as polysorbate 20 and 80 have been
439 shown to increase the oral absorption of different P-gp substrates ~~such as polysorbate 80, which has~~
440 ~~been shown to enhance the oral absorption of~~ such as digoxin (Zhang et al., 2003), etoposide (Zhao et
441 al., 2013), and rifampicin (Shimomura et al., 2016). The concentrations of surfactants that increased the
442 oral absorption of different P-gp substrates range from 1-25% (w/v); ~~(see~~ Table 3). Recently, wild type
443 and *mdr1a* deficient rats have been used to investigate the role of intestinal P-gp for the oral absorption
444 of digoxin (Nielsen et al., 2016) and etoposide (Al-Ali et al., 2018a). In these studies, there was
445 approximately 2- and 8-fold increase in the AUC of digoxin and etoposide, respectively, in *mdr1a*
446 deficient rats compared to wild type rats. When 5% and 10-25 % (v/v) polysorbate 20 was co-
447 administered with etoposide and digoxin, respectively, in wild type rats, the oral bioavailability was
448 enhanced significantly. However, in *mdr1a* deficient rats, the presence or absence of similar doses of
449 the surfactant did not influence the bioavailability indicating that the enhanced oral absorption in the

450 wild type rats was most likely related to P-gp inhibition effects mediated by polysorbate 20 rather than
451 enhancement of the substrate solubility by the surfactant.

452 In relation to scaling between *in vitro* and *in vivo* studies of the surfactants, it has been shown that a
453 concentration of 20-500 μ M polysorbate 20 decreased the efflux ratio of digoxin and etoposide in cell
454 cultures (Al-Ali et al., 2018a; Nielsen et al., 2016), whereas in pre-clinical studies, in wild type rats,
455 the minimum doses of polysorbate 20 required to increase the oral bioavailability of digoxin (Nielsen et
456 al., 2016) and etoposide (Al-Ali et al., 2018a) were 10% (v/v, 90 mM) and 5% (v/v, 45 mM),
457 respectively. However, in *mdr1a* deficient rats, it was noticed that the oral absorption and
458 bioavailability of etoposide decreased when co-administered with 25% (v/v) polysorbate 20 compared
459 to the oral absorption with 0 or 5% (v/v) polysorbate 20, ~~or without the surfactant~~ (Al-Ali et al., 2018a).
460 *In vitro* dialysis studies demonstrated that etoposide release from a 25% polysorbate 20 containing
461 formulation was minimal, most likely due to the incorporation of etoposide into the micelles ~~formed by~~
462 ~~the polysorbate~~ (Al-Ali et al., 2018a). Furthermore, it has been reported that 5% labrasol[®] increased the
463 oral bioavailability of etoposide more ~~when co-administered with 5% labrasol[®]~~ than ~~with 10%~~
464 labrasol[®] (Akhtar et al., 2017), indicating that etoposide release from the micelles was concentration
465 dependent (Akhtar et al., 2017), (~~see also~~ Table 3).

466 TPGS 1000 enhanced the oral bioavailability of paclitaxel in wild type rats with a factor of six relative
467 to the bioavailability when administered without the surfactant (control) (Varma and Panchagnula,
468 2005), (Table 3). Verapamil was further demonstrated to enhance the oral bioavailability of similar
469 doses of paclitaxel four times compared to control (Varma and Panchagnula, 2005). With respect to the
470 use of surfactants *in vivo*, it should be noted that some of these surfactants undergo digestion in the
471 intestinal tract (Christiansen et al., 2010; Cui n  et al., 2008; Devraj et al., 2013; Mohsin, 2012), ~~why~~

472 ~~and might thus be less efficient the use of these relative to than~~ small-molecular P-gp inhibitors like
473 verapamil, ~~should be considered with respect to the hypothesis of the studies.~~

474 From Table 2, 3 and S1, it is evident that research is still needed to establish how inhibition observed *in*
475 *vitro* translates into increased absorption *in vivo*, since many nonionic surfactants such as Brij[®] 78,
476 pluronic[®] P123, and polysorbate 40, have not yet been investigated for their abilities to inhibit
477 intestinal P-gp *in vivo*. Moreover, for some surfactants that were extensively investigated *in vitro* such
478 as cremophor[®] EL, pluronic[®] 85 and Solutol[®] HS 15, (see also Table 2), only few *in vivo* studies have
479 reported the effect ~~on PK~~ of these surfactants on PK in animals (Bittner et al., 2002; Föger et al., 2006;
480 Zhao et al., 2013), (Table 3). Consequently, further *in vivo* studies are needed to advance the
481 knowledge about the effect of ~~these~~ surfactants on the oral absorption of different P-gp substrates,
482 which may assist in designing and performing clinical studies in humans.

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484 **4.2 Impact of nonionic surfactants on breast cancer resistance protein**

485 The ABC transporter BCRP is as a monomeric protein of 72 kDa (Doyle and Ross, 2003; Mao, 2005)
486 consisting of one TM domain of six TM helices, and one NBD located in the cytoplasm (Chen et al.,
487 2015; Mao and Unadkat, 2015; Wang et al., 2008). Two BCRP monomers dimerize to form a
488 functional BCRP transporter (Fig. 1b) (Rosenberg et al., 2010; Rosenberg et al., 2015). The helices are
489 arranged to form a cavity, where BCRP substrates bind, while TM helices one and six are attached to
490 amino and carboxyl termini in the cytoplasm, respectively (Wang et al., 2008). BCRP substrates belong
491 to different therapeutic classes such as anticancer drugs, HIV drugs, antihistamines, and anti-
492 hyperlipidemia drugs (Mao and Unadkat, 2015). BCRP shares many substrates with P-gp e.g.

493 topotecan (Jonker et al., 2000; Maliepaard et al., 1999), doxorubicin (Allen et al., 1999; Mechetner et
494 al., 1998), irinotecan (Gupta et al., 1996; Maliepaard et al., 1999), and etoposide (Allen et al., 2003;
495 Keller et al., 1992). In humans, BCRP is highly expressed in normal tissues such as the apical
496 membrane of small intestinal and colonic enterocytes, canalicular membranes in the liver, endothelial
497 cells of brain microvessels (Mao, 2005), veins and capillaries, and in cancer cells (Doyle and Ross,
498 2003; Maliepaard et al., 2001b). Since BCRP is expressed in different tissues, its modulation in humans
499 may influence the ADMET properties of its substrates. In the past, BCRP inhibitors were developed to
500 overcome the multidrug resistance phenomenon, as well as to enhance the oral absorption of the
501 substrates (Gupta et al., 2006; Gupta et al., 2004; Houghton et al., 2004; Matsson et al., 2009). BCRP
502 inhibitors may act as competitive inhibitors at the substrate binding sites, as allosteric inhibitors by
503 binding to the protein at a site different from the substrate binding site ~~in the BCRP cavity~~, or by
504 inhibiting ATPase activity (Mao and Unadkat, 2015). Of the BCRP inhibitors identified; some of these
505 also inhibit P-gp e.g. GF120918, and the tyrosine kinase inhibitors imatinib, and the antifungal drug
506 substance itraconazole (Mao and Unadkat, 2015; Matsson et al., 2009).

507 Until now, few studies were performed by Yamagata and co-workers to have investigated the effect
508 of nonionic surfactants on BCRP transport activity *in vitro* and *in vivo* (Sawangrat et al., 2018a;
509 Sawangrat et al., 2018b; Xiao et al., 2016; Xu et al., 2015; Yamagata et al., 2007a, b; Yamagata et al.,
510 2009). In MDCKII BCRP cells, nonionic surfactants such as cremophor[®] EL, polysorbate 20, span 20,
511 pluronic[®] P85, and Brij[®] 30 increased the uptake of the BCRP substrate mitoxantrone (Yamagata et al.,
512 2007a) (Table 4). Yamagata and coworkers were also able to enhance the uptake of mitoxantrone in
513 MDCKII MDR1 by the use of the same surfactants indicating the ability of these surfactants to
514 modulate both BCRP and P-gp (Yamagata et al., 2007a), effects that wasere demonstrated both *in vitro*

515 [\(Al-Ali et al., 2018a; Al-Ali et al., 2018b; Al-Saraf et al., 2016; Gurjar et al., 2018; Li-Blatter and](#)
516 [Seelig, 2010; Lo, 2003; Nielsen et al., 2016; Rege et al., 2002; Shaik et al., 2008\)](#), and *in vivo* (Al-Ali
517 et al., 2018a; Föger et al., 2006; Nielsen et al., 2016; Zhao et al., 2013), for further details ~~see~~ (see
518 Table 2, 3 and S1). With respect to the effect of nonionic surfactants on BCRP, ~~it another study was~~
519 reported that pluronic[®] P85 and polysorbate 20 enhanced the ~~mucosal-to-serosal~~M-S transport of
520 BCRP substrate topotecan across ileum everted sacs derived from wild type mice (~~see~~Table 4)
521 (Yamagata et al., 2007b). Interestingly, in everted intestinal sacs derived from *Abcg2* deficient mice,
522 topotecan absorption rate was significantly enhanced in comparison to the absorption rate in everted
523 intestinal sacs from wild type mice (Yamagata et al., 2007b). However, the presence of surfactants did
524 not further improve the absorption rate of topotecan in *Abcg2* deficient everted intestinal sacs,
525 demonstrating the surfactants' impacts in mediating ~~the~~Bcrp inhibition in the wild type animals
526 (Yamagata et al., 2007b). *In vivo*, pluronic[®] P85 and polysorbate 20 administered orally 15 min before
527 oral administration of topotecan to wild type mice increased the AUC of topotecan significantly, when
528 compared to the administration of similar doses of topotecan without the surfactant (Yamagata et al.,
529 2007b). It was later noticed that the interaction of pluronic[®] P85 and polysorbate 20 with Bcrp was
530 reversible and transient upon removal of these surfactants (Yamagata et al., 2009). It is worth noticing
531 that these surfactants were also able to inhibit P-gp *in vitro* [\(Al-Ali et al., 2018a; Al-Ali et al., 2018b;](#)
532 [Al-Saraf et al., 2016; Batrakova et al., 2003a; Batrakova et al., 2004; Gurjar et al., 2018; Nielsen et al.,](#)
533 [2016; Shaik et al., 2008\)](#) (Table 2, S1) and *in vivo* [\(Al-Ali et al., 2018a; Föger et al., 2006; Nielsen et](#)
534 [al., 2016\)](#) (Table 3).

535 Moreover, ~~R~~recent research has reported that several surfactants, including 6-tetradecyl- β -D-
536 maltopyranoside, (C6-malt) (Xu et al., 2015), cremophor[®] EL (Al-Ali et al., 2018a; Al-Saraf et al.,

2016; Gurjar et al., 2018; Rege et al., 2002; Shono et al., 2004), BL-9EX, Brij[®] 92, Brij[®] 97 (Zhao et al., 2016), and labrasol[®] (Akhtar et al., 2017; Cornaire et al., 2004; Lin et al., 2007; Ma et al., 2011), which have been shown to inhibit P-gp (Table 2), ~~have also been able to~~ inhibit [BCRP in MDCKII BCRP cells](#) (Xiao et al., 2016), [in membrane vesicles containing human BCRP](#) (Xu et al., 2015), and ~~Berp~~ in rat intestinal membrane and *in vivo* using the *in situ* closed intestinal loop method (Sawangrat et al., 2018a). The doses of the surfactants used to inhibit BCRP *in vitro* and *in vivo* (Sawangrat et al., 2018a; Xiao et al., 2016; Xu et al., 2015) were comparable to the doses used to inhibit P-gp ([Akhtar et al., 2017; Lin et al., 2007; Ma et al., 2011; Zhao et al., 2016](#)) (Table 2, 3, and S1). As similar doses of nonionic surfactants appeared to be able to inhibit P-gp and BCRP, and since many drug substances that are BCRP substrates share substrate specificity with P-gp, drug formulators should thus consider the surfactants used in their formulations, and avoid using the surfactants that may have overlap in inhibiting effect on both transporters in cases where this may have an influence on the biopharmaceutical properties of the ~~compound~~ substrate. [Cremophor[®] EL was shown to enhance the absorptive permeability and decrease the secretory permeability of scutellarin in MDCKII BCRP](#) (Xiao et al., 2016). [Scutellarin is a flavonoid glucuronide approved in China to treat patients with cerebral infarction and paralysis caused by cerebrovascular diseases](#) (Xiao et al. 2016). [In wild type rats, cremophor[®] EL enhanced scutellarin oral absorption, however, this study also reported that the surfactant affected other transporters such as MRP2 and MRP3](#) (See section 4.3). ~~Another recent~~ study by Sawangrat and co-workers showed that 0.05 % (w/v) cremophor[®] EL enhanced the absorptive permeability and decreased the secretory permeability of topotecan significantly in Caco-2 cells, and enhanced the intestinal absorption of topotecan in rats using the *in situ* closed-loop method ([Sawangrat et al., 2018b](#)). Similar concentration of cremophor[®] EL did, however, not influence the absorptive or secretory permeability of the BCRP substrate sulfasalazine across rat intestinal segments in diffusion

560 chambers (Sawangrat et al., 2018a). Furthermore, using the *in situ* closed-loop method, 0.05% (w/v)
561 polysorbate 20 enhanced the intestinal absorption of topotecan significantly in rats ([Sawangrat et al.,](#)
562 [2018b](#)). ~~In contrast; however,~~ higher concentration (0.1 and 0.5% w/v) of the surfactant did not
563 enhance the absorption of sulfasalazine in another study (Sawangrat et al., 2018a). The effect of
564 nonionic surfactants on the transport of BCRP substrates across the intestine therefore seems to differ
565 as a function of substrate and/or method used. [Further studies are needed to investigate the effects of](#)
566 [nonionic surfactants on the transport activity of BCRP *in vitro* and *in vivo*. It is recommended that](#)
567 [different BCRP substrates and different methods are used in the prospective investigations.](#)
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569 **4.3 Impact of nonionic surfactants on ~~the~~ multidrug resistance-associated protein 2**

570 In human tissues, the efflux transporter multidrug resistance-associated protein 2 (MRP2) is expressed
571 in the hepatocyte canalicular membrane, gallbladder epithelial cells, the proximal tubule of the kidney,
572 duodenum, jejunum, ileum, brain, bronchi, and placenta (Jedlitschky et al., 2006; Kool et al., 1997;
573 Nies and Keppler, 2007). MRP2 is highly expressed in cancer cells, such as non-small cell lung cancer
574 and adeno-lung carcinoma (Kool et al., 1997). MRP2 consists of two TM domains, each has six TM
575 helices, linked intracellularly with two NBDs located in the cytoplasm (Fig. 1c) (Jedlitschky et al.,
576 2006). To the NBDs, ATP molecules bind, which is required for hydrolysis initiating substrate
577 transport (Jedlitschky et al., 2006). In addition, a third TM domain consisting of five helices is attached
578 to the first TM domain via a linker (L0), which is located in the cytoplasm. The third TM domain is
579 extracellularly attached to NH₂ terminus of the first TM domain (~~see~~-Fig. 1c) (Jedlitschky et al., 2006).
580 MRP2 transports different endogenous compounds such as glutathione, leukotrienes, bilirubin

581 glucuronides and steroids, and drug substances of different classes, e.g. anticancer drugs, HIV drugs,
582 antibiotics, and the metabolites of these substances (Dietrich et al., 2003; Jedlitschky et al., 2006).

583 The effect of nonionic surfactants on MRP2 has been investigated *in vitro* using different assays, e.g.
584 bi-directional transport, uptake assay, ATP measurements, and phosphate release measurements. It was
585 reported that pluronic[®] P85 enhanced the intracellular accumulation of the MRP2 substrates vincristine
586 and doxorubicin in MDCKII MRP2 cells (Batrakova et al., 2003a). This was confirmed by decreased
587 ATP levels in MDCKII MRP2 cells and decreased ATPase activity in the membrane vesicles isolated
588 from these cells (Batrakova et al., 2004). Based upon these data, Batrakova and co-workers proposed
589 that the mechanism of MRP2 inhibition could be related to the change in membrane fluidity or binding
590 of the surfactant to the cell membrane, thereby competitively preventing the drug-protein interaction
591 (Batrakova et al., 2004). Beside the effect of pluronic[®] P85 on MRP2, it was found that similar
592 concentrations of the surfactant inhibited MRP1 and P-gp (Batrakova et al., 2004).

593 Recent studies have shown that surfactants including cremophor[®] EL, cremophor[®] RH 40, pluronic[®]
594 F68, and pluronic[®] P-127, and co-surfactants PEG 400, and PEG 2000 decreased the efflux ratio of the
595 MRP2 substrate scutellarin in Caco-2 cells (Li et al 2013, Li et al 2014). ~~Scutellarin is a flavonoid
596 glucuronide approved in China to treat patients with cerebral infarction and paralysis caused by
597 cerebrovascular diseases (Xiao et al 2016).~~ Scutellarin has a poor oral bioavailability, which is partly
598 related to the efflux effect of membrane transporters such as MRP2 and BCRP (see Table 4 and 5). In
599 agreement with Li and co-workers (Li et al 2013, Li et al 2014), Chen *et al.* have shown that pluronic[®]
600 F68, pluronic[®] F-127, pluronic[®] P85, and pluronic[®] P105 increased A-B permeability and decreased B-
601 A permeability of the MRP2 substrate, baicalein, in MDCK MRP2 cells (Chen et al., 2017), (Table 5).

602 Chen and co-workers have suggested that these observations were due to MRP2 inhibition (Chen et al.,
603 2017).

604 In contrast, vinblastine transport across MDCKII MRP2 cells was not affected significantly by 0.1 %
605 (w/v) pluronic[®] L61 (Evers et al., 2000). Likewise, using a 5-chloromethylfluorescein diacetate
606 (CMFDA) based accumulation assay in MDCK-MRP2 cells, Bogman *et al.* (2003) found that the
607 surfactants TPGS 1000, cremophor[®] EL, polysorbate 80, pluronic[®] F68, pluronic[®] L61, and pluronic[®]
608 L81 were unable to inhibit MRP2-mediated methylfluorescein-sulfolglutathione complex (MF-SG)
609 transport (Bogman et al., 2003).

610 From Table 4 and 5, it can be noticed that the dose of cremophor[®] EL needed to inhibit MRP2 or
611 BCRP in cell cultures and in rats are similar (Xiao et al 2016). Xiao and co-workers have also reported
612 that cremophor[®] EL was able to activate the efflux protein MRP3 (Xiao et al 2016), which was found
613 to be expressed on the basolateral membrane of enterocytes (Kool et al., 1997; Kool et al., 1999).
614 Therefore, effects of cremophor[®] EL on scutellarin seems to be related to the effect on multiple efflux
615 transporters. Thus, activating the efflux transporters, being located in the basolateral membrane in
616 enterocytes by surfactants could also be a strategy to improve the absorption of substrate drug
617 substances across intestinal membranes; however, further investigations are needed for this to be a
618 robust formulation strategy.

619 An interesting finding reported was that pluronic[®] F-127 decreased the efflux ratio of scutellarin and
620 baicalein in Caco-2 cells (Li et al 2013, Li et al 2014) and MDCKII MDRP2 (Chen et al., 2017),
621 respectively, but had no inhibitory effect on the P-gp substrates rhodamine 123 (Batrakova et al.,
622 2003b), nelfinavir (Shaik et al., 2008), etoposide (Al-Ali et al., 2018a), and digoxin (Gurjar et al.,
623 2018). Consequently, it may be that there is limited cross inhibitory effects for surfactants inhibiting

624 MRP2 towards other efflux membrane transporters and vice versa. The ability of nonionic surfactants
625 to inhibit MRP2-mediated transport seems to be complex and dependent on the model system
626 employed to investigate and understand the influence of the surfactant. Therefore, further studies and
627 specific MRP2 model systems are needed to understand the consequences of MRP2 inhibition by
628 nonionic surfactants.

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630 **5. Nonionic surfactants modulate solute carriers *in vitro***

631 In humans, solute carriers transport endogenous and exogenous (Yu Liang Siqi Li Ligong, 2015),
632 charged, and uncharged substrates (Koepsell et al., 2007), in and/or out of cells in different tissues, e.g.
633 intestine, kidney, liver and brain (Giacomini et al., 2010). The SLC family consists of 62 sub-families
634 (HUGO Gene Nomenclature Committee, 2019). For a protein to be assigned to the SLC family they
635 need to be responsible for membrane solute transport and to have an amino acid identity of > 20% to
636 other members of the family (Hediger et al., 2013). Within the SLC family uniporters, symporters and
637 antiporters are found. The symporters may depend on the driving force of ions such as K^+ , Na^+ , H^+ , or
638 Cl^- , and at a cellular level, they are therefore known as secondary-active transporters (e.g. K^+ , Na^+ , or
639 Cl^- -dependent carriers) or tertiary-active transporters (H^+ -dependent carriers), because the cellular
640 homeostasis of ions eventually will involve transport by the active Na^+/K^+ -ATPase enzyme. The use of
641 transporter in this context is a reminiscence of a notion and literature source present prior to the
642 establishment of the SLC system, which was pioneered by Hediger (Hediger, 2004; Hediger et al.,
643 2013).

644 SLC proteins are diverse in their structures, however, the most common predicted folds of this family
645 proteins are the Major Facilitator Superfamily (MFS, LacY) and the Leucine transporter (LeuT) that
646 has folding consisting of 12 and 10 TM helices, respectively. However, some carriers in the SLC
647 family may possess a lower number of helices, e.g. the glucose uniporter that has a unique fold of
648 seven TM helices (Colas et al., 2016). For the LacY like fold (Fig. 1d), the protein is oriented in a V-
649 shape conformation opened to the extracellular side of plasma membrane where the substrate is
650 assumed to bind. The substrate may then move to an intermediate state inside the protein, before it may
651 release from the inverted V-shape conformation of the SLC to the cytoplasm (Fig. 1d) (Colas et al.,
652 2016).

653 The oral absorption of a large variety of important nutrient such as amino acids, sugars, peptides, fatty
654 acids, and vitamins are mediated by carriers, which are important for oral absorption of drug substances
655 that are structurally similar to the nutrients (Steffansen et al., 2004). Despite the large number of
656 carriers expressed in the intestine, the effect of nonionic surfactant on these transport systems is largely
657 uninvestigated. In 2002, Rege and co-workers reported that polysorbate 80 decreased the absorptive
658 permeability of the prototypic PEPT1 substrate glycyl-sarcosine and cremophor[®] EL decreased the
659 transport of the monocarboxylic acid transporter (MCT) substrate benzoic acid in Caco-2 cells (Rege et
660 al., 2002), (Table 6). Recently, these surfactants have been shown to inhibit other carriers in transfected
661 cells models. Polysorbate 80 and cremophor[®] EL inhibited OCT1-3 and PEPT2 in MDCKII OCT1-3
662 cells and MDCKII PEPT2 cells, respectively. From Table 6, it can be noticed that polysorbate 80
663 appeared more potent than cremophor[®] EL with respect to inhibition of OCT1-3 and PEPT2 in cell
664 cultures (Otter et al., 2017; Soodvilai et al., 2017). In addition, it was reported that cremophor[®] EL
665 inhibited OATP1A2 and OATP2B1 in HEK OATP1A2 and HEK OATP2B1 cells, respectively (Engel

666 et al., 2012). Furthermore, poloxamer 188 and 407 (Otter et al., 2017), and polysorbate 20 and 60
667 (Otter et al., 2017; Soodvilai et al., 2017); have shown different abilities to inhibit the organic cation
668 transporters in cell cultures. In MDCKII OCT1 cells, the estimated IC_{50} of poloxamer 407 (pluronic®
669 F-127) was approximately 2600-fold and 900-fold higher than the estimated IC_{50} of polysorbate 80 and
670 polysorbate 20, respectively (Otter et al., 2017).

671 Surfactants inhibiting carriers (Table 6) were also reported to inhibit transporters (Table 2-5, and S1) in
672 cell cultures as exemplified by the observations that Solutol® HS 15 inhibited OATP1A2, OATP2B1
673 (Engel et al., 2012), OCT1-3, PEPT2 (Otter et al., 2017), and P-gp (Akhtar et al., 2017; Buckingham et
674 al., 1995; Coon et al., 1991; Cornaire et al., 2004; Gurjar et al., 2018; Lamprecht and Benoit, 2006);
675 polysorbate 80 inhibited OCT1-3, PEPT1-2 (Otter et al., 2017; Rege et al., 2002; Soodvilai et al.,
676 2017), P-gp (Al-Ali et al., 2018b; Al-Saraf et al., 2016; Cornaire et al., 2004; Hanke et al., 2010; Kiss
677 et al., 2014; Lo, 2003; Nerurkar et al., 1996; Nielsen et al., 2016; Shono et al., 2004; Woodcock et al.,
678 1992; Yu et al., 2011), and MRP2 (Hanke et al., 2010); and cremophor® EL inhibited OATP1A2,
679 OATP2B1 (Engel et al., 2012), OCT1-3, PEPT2 (Otter et al., 2017), MCT (Rege et al., 2002), P-gp
680 (Al-Ali et al., 2018a; Al-Saraf et al., 2016; Buckingham et al., 1995; Chiu et al., 2003; Nerurkar et al.,
681 1996; Rege et al., 2002; Shono et al., 2004; Woodcock et al., 1990; Woodcock et al., 1992), BCRP
682 (Sawangrat et al., 2018a; Xiao et al., 2016; Yamagata et al., 2007a), and MRP2 (Hanke et al., 2010; Li
683 et al., 2013a; Xiao et al., 2016). Cremophor® EL seems to be the surfactant with the widest range of
684 inhibition of different carriers and transporters. Importantly, impact of surfactant on transporters and
685 carriers simultaneously may lead to unpredictable drug-transporter interactions. Therefore, further
686 knowledge about the ability of nonionic surfactants to inhibit carriers under relevant *in vivo* conditions

687 is needed for drug formulators to make enlightened choices on nonionic surfactants as pharmaceutical
688 excipients.

689 As generally presented in this review, a broader class of surfactants that are often used as
690 pharmaceutical excipients, may have effects on drug absorption through interactions with either
691 transporters, or carriers, or both. While a lot of insights have been generated *in vitro*, less is available *in*
692 *vivo* from non-clinical trials, and no information is publicly available from human trials systematically
693 investigating the influence of pharmaceutical excipients on transporters or carriers. Drug prescribers
694 and pharmacists should therefore be aware that in treatment of patients with polypharmacy
695 prescriptions of drug compounds that are known substrates to transporters or carriers should be
696 administered separately from drug products containing nonionic surfactants and co-surfactant polymers
697 in order to avoid unexpected interactions of drug-excipient at transporters and/or carriers, as this might
698 lead to unpredicted side effects.

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700 **6. Conclusion**

701 From the present review, it is quite evident that pharmaceutical excipients are not just compounds
702 required for processing drug formulations, but they also possess the ability to alter drug transport across
703 biological barriers by interacting with transporters and carriers. Pharmaceutical excipients frequently
704 used in enabling formulations, notably nonionic surfactants, alter the function of carriers and/or
705 transporters, thereby affecting drug transport. The main body of evidence for this is based on *in vitro*
706 experiments using cell culture models or excised tissue, whereas pre-clinical studies available in the
707 literature are limited. Few studies have investigated if surfactants reduce transporter-mediated transport

708 and thereby increase the oral bioavailability; while to the best of our knowledge no *in vivo* study has
709 investigated if excipients inhibit carriers *in vivo*, and hence could decrease oral bioavailability.
710 Therefore, more pre-clinical studies are needed to investigate if surfactants at concentration likely to be
711 reached in the intestinal lumen may alter the exposure of substrates of transporters and carriers. It
712 seems likely that inhibition of transporters by surfactants could be incorporated into a formulation
713 approach, while a potential inhibition of solute carriers should be avoided as this would decrease oral
714 absorption. The key points missing are what the scaling between *in vitro* and *in vivo* effects is and if
715 enabling formulations containing surfactants are safe i.e. without toxic effects. Such biopharmaceutical
716 insight may assist in the active development of formulations where excipients are bioactive
717 components included for inhibition of intestinal efflux transport. Interestingly, some surfactants, e.g.
718 cremophor[®] EL, Solutol[®] HS 15 and polysorbate 20, have been shown to share inhibiting effects on
719 several transporters and carriers *in vitro*. In addition, the concentration of surfactants that inhibit the
720 efflux transporters P-gp, BCRP, and MRP2 were comparable in cell cultures. Hence, when drug
721 substances such as doxorubicin and etoposide are substrates for multiple efflux transporters, co-
722 administration of these with surfactants can generate a complex absorption mechanism.

723 As more and more discovered compounds have limited aqueous solubility, the need for enabling
724 formulations, that may include surfactants, are increasing. Given that surfactants can have multiple
725 physico-chemical as well as biopharmaceutical properties, drug formulators may need to bring this
726 perspective into consideration when defining the formulations of the future.

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1270 **Figures Legend:**1271 **Figure 1:** Structures of membrane transport proteins in the absence and presence of a substrate.

1272 Cartoons illustrate: **a)** Inward-facing P-glycoprotein (P-gp) (mouse Abcb1, left) and the outward-facing
1273 P-gp (human ABCB1, right, substrate release), transmembrane domain 1 (TMD1) (1-6 transmembrane
1274 helices (TMH)), TMD2 (7-12 TMH), extracted with modifications from (Aller et al., 2009; Kim and
1275 Chen, 2018); **b)** Two monomers of breast cancer resistance protein (BCRP), BCRP monomer-1 (1-6
1276 TMH, white) and -2 (1-6 TMH, dark gray), substrate-free state (left) using MsbA from *Escherichia coli*
1277 as a template, substrate-bound state (right) using mouse Abcb1 as the template, extracted with
1278 modifications from (Rosenberg et al., 2010; Rosenberg et al., 2015); **c)** Multidrug resistance-
1279 associated protein 2 (MRP2), TM0 (1-5 TMH), TMD1 (6-11 TMH), TMD3 (12-17 TMH), Lasso motif
1280 (L_0), left is when substrate-free state, and right when substrate-bound state, the molecular structure is
1281 determined using bovine Mrp1 as a template, extracted with modifications from (Dallas et al., 2006;
1282 Johnson and Chen, 2017); **d)** Lactose permease of *Escherichia coli* (LacY) representing a solute carrier
1283 (SLC) member with 12 TMHs, LacY consists of two segments, each containing two repeat units of
1284 three TMHs (1-3, 4-6, 7-9 and 10-12) as dark gray, black, white and light gray rods, respectively ,
1285 outward-open conformation (V-shape, substrate-free state, left) and inward-open conformation
1286 (inverted V-shape, substrate-released state, right) facing the extracellular and cytoplasmic side of the
1287 cellular membrane, respectively, extracted with modifications from (Colas et al., 2016; Kumar et al.,
1288 2018; Kumar et al., 2014; Radestock and Forrest, 2011). Nucleotide binding domain (NBD), adenosine
1289 tri-phosphate (ATP), TMHs are depicted as rods, straight-dashed arrow represents the direction of
1290 substrate movement, curved arrow represents the direction of helices movement during conformational
1291 changes, post-translational modifications are not shown in the sub-figures, and black circle is a
1292 substrate.

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1294 **Figure 2:** Proposed mechanisms of P-glycoprotein inhibition by nonionic surfactants.

1295 Cartoon shows: I) Surfactant-P-gp interaction via hydrogen bonding, the hydrophobic moiety of the
1296 surfactant partitions into the cell membrane, while the hydrogen bond acceptor groups in the
1297 hydrophilic moiety of the surfactant form hydrogen bonds with the hydrogen bond donor groups in P-
1298 gp, II) Alteration of membrane fluidity and/or (III) depleted intracellular ATP. Transmembrane helices
1299 are depicted as rods. Nucleotide binding domain (NBD), adenosine tri-phosphate (ATP), adenosine
1300 diphosphate (ADP), extracellular (Ex.), intracellular (In.), black triangle (P-gp substrate), red circle
1301 attached to a tail (nonionic surfactant), and black dashed lines (hydrogen bonds).

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1303 **Table 1:** Expression of selected transporters and carriers along the human intestine and in Caco-2 cells.

1304 [Logarithmic 10-step color scale and annotation of expression levels \(very low-very high\) have](#)
1305 [arbitrarily been defined for overview in the range 0-15 pmol/mg total protein and 0-450 fmol/mg total](#)
1306 [tissue^d.](#)

1307 [To be inserted as a footnote under Table 1:](#) LC-MS/MS-determined protein concentrations (pmol/mg
1308 total protein) of selected transporters and carriers in Caco-2 cells and segments of the human
1309 gastrointestinal tract. Protein concentrations from Caco-2 cells were obtained three weeks after seeding.
1310 Caco-2 cells were from three different sources: American Type Culture Collection (ATCC)^a, The
1311 European Collection of Authenticated Cell Cultures (ECACC)^b, and Deutsche Sammlung von
1312 Mikroorganismen und Zellkulturen (DSMZ)^c. The average values are depicted without statistical
1313 deviation parameters. For (Akazawa et al., 2018), the average were obtained from two reported values
1314 from two humans, and if one of the two values was below the lower limit of quantification (LLOQ), the
1315 other value is depicted. Intestinal segments were adapted from (Drozdik et al., 2014): Duodenum (D),

1316 jejunum (J1-2), ileum (I1-2), and colon (C1-4). BLQ = below the LLOQ. ~~Logarithmic 10-step color~~
 1317 ~~scale and annotation of expression level (very low-very high) have arbitrarily been defined for~~
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1320 **Table 2:** *In vitro* ~~fi~~ impact of selected nonionic surfactants and polyethylene glycol (PEG) derivatives on
 1321 P-glycoprotein *in vitro*.

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 1323 Respectively (resp.), Surfactant (surf.), Concentration (conc.), Dependent (dep.), Not specified in the
 1324 study (ns), Apical to basolateral (A-B), Mucosal to serosal (M-S), Permeability (P_{app}), Any increase or
 1325 decrease described in the table means significant $P < 0.05$, Resistance Modification Index (RMI), Mouse
 1326 embryo fibroblasts transfected with MDR1 (NIH-MDR1-G185), Mouse embryo fibroblasts transfected
 1327 with MDR1 (NIH-MDR1-G185), P-gp overexpressing human melanoma cell line (MDA-MB-
 1328 435/LCC6MDR1), P-gp overexpressing human ovarian carcinoma cell line (NCI/ADR-RES),
 1329 Adriamycin-resistant of murine leukaemia P388 cells (P388/ADR), P-gp variant of human epithelial
 1330 cells KB 3-1 (KB 8-5-11 cells), In Vitro Diffusion Chamber Method (In vitro DCM), ATPlite 1step
 1331 Assay kit was from PerkinElmer, P-gp containing membranes of Chinese hamster lung fibroblasts (DC-
 1332 3F/ADX cells), MDR cell subline of Chinese hamster ovary cells Aux-B1(CH⁺C5), Bovine brain
 1333 microvessel endothelial cells (BBMEC), Vinblastine-resistant derivative of Human Caucasian acute
 1334 lymphoblastic leukaemia CCRF-CEM cells (R100 cells), Human lung adenocarcinoma cell line A549
 1335 treated with paclitaxel (A549/Taxol), Porcine kidney epithelial cell line (LLC-PK1-MDR1), LLC-PK1
 1336 stably expressing MDR1 (LLC-MDR1), P-gp overexpressing human oral epidermal carcinoma (KBv),
 1337 For cremophor[®] EL and Solutol[®] HS 15, RMI was measured at 10 $\mu\text{g/mL}$, P-gp overexpressing human
 1338 melanoma cell line (MDA-MB-435/LCC6MDR1), P-gp overexpressing human ovarian carcinoma cell

1339 line NCI/ADR-RES, MDR cell subline of human breast carcinoma MCF-7 cells (MCF7/ADR),
1340 Resistance reversion index ($\text{Log}(IC_{50.0}/IC_{50})$) was determined as a ratio of IC_{50} of Doxorubicin in the
1341 assay buffer and surfactant solution, Vincristine-resistant derivative of K562 (7962 cells), Human lung
1342 cancer cells (A549), Human P-gp overexpressing membranes obtained from baculovirus-infected insect
1343 cells (High Five, BTI-TN5B1-4), Clonal isolate derived from the *Spodoptera frugiperda* cell line IPLB-
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1345 drug in mesenteric vein blood (apparent permeability coefficient, P_{blood}), P-gp overexpressing of
1346 Chinese hamster ovary AA8 cells (Emt^{R1}). For an overview of the effects of more surfactants on P-gp,
1347 (see Table S1).

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1349 [Table 43: Impact of nonionic surfactants on intestinal P-glycoprotein in rats.](#)

1350 [In vivo pre-clinical studies were performed in male ^a: Sprague-Dawley rats, ^b: Wistar albino rats.](#)

1351 [Synonyms of surfactants are available in Table 2.](#)

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1354 **Table 34:** [In vitro and in vivo](#) impact of nonionic surfactants on breast cancer resistance protein,
1355 BCRP, *in vitro*.

1356 [To be inserted as a footnote under Table 4:](#) Concentration (conc.), Approximately (approx.),
1357 Respectively (resp.), Plasma membrane vesicle of cells containing human ABCG2 (Membrane vesicles
1358 BCRP), Clonal isolate derived from the *Spodoptera frugiperda* cell line IPLB-Sf-21-AE (Sf9 insect
1359 cells), *In Vitro* Diffusion Chamber Method (*In vitro* DCM), [Serosal to mucosal \(S-M\)](#), *In situ* closed-

1360 loop method (*In situ* CLM), Wild type (WT), Sprague-Dawley (SD), Synonyms of surfactants are
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1367 **Table 5:** *In vitro* and *in vivo* impact of nonionic surfactants and co-surfactants on multidrug
1368 resistance-associated protein 2, MRP2, *in vitro*.

1369 To be inserted as a footnote under Table 5: Concentration (Conc.), Respectively (resp.), Membrane

1370 vesicles prepared from *Spodoptera frugiperda* (Sf9) insect cells over-expressing human MRP2

1371 (Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2), ATP measurements were performed using ATP

1372 luciferin/Luciferase assay, Wild type (WT), Synonyms of surfactants are available in Table 2 and 3.

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1374 **Table 6:** Nonionic surfactants inhibited solute carriers (SLCs) *in vitro*.

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1377 To be inserted as a footnote under Table 6: IC₅₀ were estimated from uptake transport assay. For Regev

1378 et al. 2002, impact of surfactant on bi-directional transport assay was shown. 1-methyl-4-

1379 phenylpyridinium acetate (MPP⁺), Monocarboxylic acid transporter (MCT, SLC16A1), Organic cation

1380 transporter 1 (OCT1, SLC22A1), (OCT2, SLC22A2), (OCT3, SLC22A3), Peptide transporter 1

1381 (PEPT1, SLC15A1), (PEPT2, SLC15A2), Organic anion transporting polypeptide 1A2 (OATP1A2,

1382 SLC21A3), (OATP2B1, SLC21A9). Human embryonic kidney cells stably transfected with OATP1A2

1383 (HEK OATP1A2), or with OATP2B1 (HEK OATP2B1), Chinese hamster ovary cells stably
1384 transfected with rbOCT1(CHO-K1 rbOCT1), Madin-Darby canine kidney cells stably transfected with
1385 OCT1-3 (MDCKII OCT1-3), or with PEP2 (MDCKII PEPT2). Synonyms of surfactants available in
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1424 ~~lower limit of quantification (LLOQ), the other value is depicted. Intestinal segments were adapted~~
1425 ~~from (Drozdziak et al., 2014): Duodenum (D), jejunum (J1-2), ileum (I1-2), and colon (C1-4). BLQ =~~
1426 ~~below the LLOQ. Logarithmic 10-step color scale and annotation of expression level (very low-very~~

1427 high) have *arbitrarily* been defined for overview in the range 0-15 pmol/mg total protein and 0-450

1428 fmol/mg total tissue^d:

	<i>Very low expression</i>		<i>Low expression</i>		<i>Intermediate expression</i>	
pmol protein/mg total protein	0-0.0099	0.0100-0.0248	0.0249-0.0621	0.0622-0.154	0.155-0.386	0.387-0.9
fmol protein/mg total tissue ^d	0-0.299	0.300-0.747	0.748-1.86	1.87-4.65	4.66-11.5	11.6-28

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Transp orter or carrier	Caco- 2	Reference	Intestinal segment								Reference			
			D	J1	J2	I1	I2	C1	C2	C3		C4		
P-gp	2.06 ^a	(Ölander et al., 2016)	7.67 ^d	33.02 ^d	47.41 ^d		70.78 ^d		9.98 ^d					(Drozdzik et al., 2019)
	4.1 ^b	(Uchida et al., 2015)	0.290	0.408	0.475	0.711	1.06	0.145	0.304	0.228	0.368			(Drozdzik et al., 2014)
	1.0 ^c	(Brück et al., 2017)		1.22										(Lloret-Linares et al., 2016)
					0.614		0.656							(Gröer et al., 2013)
						1.89		0.20						(Harwood et al., 2015)
					2.43		4.93						(Akazawa et al., 2018)	
BCRP	0.0117 ^a	(Ölander et al., 2016)	5.51 ^d	19.58 ^d	26.97 ^d		30.47 ^d		5.13 ^d					(Drozdzik et al., 2019)
	1.79 ^b	(Uchida et al., 2015)	0.190	0.277	0.356	0.405	0.359	0.150	0.0438	0.153	0.160			(Drozdzik et al., 2014)
	0.5 ^c	(Brück et al., 2017)			1.25									(Miyachi et al., 2016)
					0.574		0.241							(Gröer et al., 2013)
						2.56		1.60						(Harwood et al., 2015)

													2015) (Akazawa et al., 2018)
MRP2	0.134 ^a	(Ölander et al., 2016)	11.8 8 ^d	22. 37 ^d	22.5 2 ^d		19.8 4 ^d		16.6 9 ^d				(Drozdzik et al., 2019)
	0.649 ^b	(Uchida et al., 2015)	0.75 8	1.0 3	0.94 6	0.7 64	0.80 8	1.4 1	1.77	1.1 3	0.9 51		(Drozdzik et al., 2014)
	0.8 ^c	(Brück et al., 2017)		0.1 16									(Lloret-Linares et al., 2016)
					1.07		0.350						(Gröer et al., 2013)
						0.59		BL Q					(Harwood et al., 2015)
				0.835		1.16						(Akazawa et al., 2018)	
MRP3	0.423 ^a	(Ölander et al., 2016)	17.2 8 ^d	30. 47 ^d	31.2 5 ^d		22.5 8 ^d		28.7 9 ^d				(Drozdzik et al., 2019)
	BLQ ^b	(Uchida et al., 2015)	0.85 0	0.6 39	0.50 6	0.5 52	0.69 6	1.5 3	2.10	2.1 1	1.7 2		(Drozdzik et al., 2014)
	BLQ ^c	(Brück et al., 2017)		1.9 1									(Lloret-Linares et al., 2016)
					0.309		0.686						(Gröer et al., 2013)
					0.501		0.303						(Akazawa et al., 2018)
PEPT1	0.342 ^a	(Ölander et al., 2016)	25.6 1 ^d	84. 17 ^d	109. 6 ^d		107. 3 ^d		3.27 d				(Drozdzik et al., 2019)
	1.48 ^b	(Uchida et al., 2015)	2.63	3.4 9	4.23	4.6 2	4.89	0.2 98	0.21 0	0.1 88	0.3 10		(Drozdzik et al., 2014)
	5.2 ^c	(Brück et al., 2017)			1.60								(Miyachi et al., 2016)
					2.45		4.73						(Gröer et al., 2013)
					8.34		10.7						(Akazawa et al., 2018)
OATP2 B1	2.66 ^a	(Ölander et al., 2016)	5.30 d	7.2 1 ^d	8.02 d		8.06 d		8.00 d				(Drozdzik et al., 2019)
	0.771 ^b	(Uchida et al., 2015)	0.42 8	0.5 56	0.48 6	0.4 64	0.48 2	0.4 78	0.73 1	0.6 38	0.5 91		(Drozdzik et al., 2014)
	3.3 ^c	(Brück et al., 2017)			0.54 0								(Miyachi et al., 2016)
					0.299		0.267						(Gröer et al., 2013)
				BLQ		BLQ						(Akazawa et al.,	

												2018)
OATP1 A2	BLQ ^b	(Uchida et al., 2015)	BL Q	BL Q	BL Q		BL Q		BL Q			(Drozdik et al., 2019)
	BLQ ^c	(Brück et al., 2017)	BL Q	BL Q	BL Q	BL Q	BL Q	BL Q	BL Q	BL Q	BL Q	(Drozdik et al., 2014) (Miyachi et al., 2016) (Gröer et al., 2013) (Akazawa et al., 2018)
				BLQ		BLQ						
				0.336		0.189						
OCT1	BLQ ^a	(Ölander et al., 2016)	1.61 _d	4.2 _{2^d}	6.02 _d		5.12 _d		2.79 _d			(Drozdik et al., 2019)
	BLQ ^b	(Uchida et al., 2015)	0.66 5	0.6 47	0.56 6	0.8 02	0.84 2	0.4 69	0.69 5	0.7 25	0.6 32	(Drozdik et al., 2014)
	BLQ ^c	(Brück et al., 2017)			BL Q							(Miyachi et al., 2016) (Gröer et al., 2013)
				BLQ		0.480						
OCT3	BLQ ^b	(Uchida et al., 2015)	BL Q	BL Q	BL Q		BL Q		BL Q			(Drozdik et al., 2019)
	BLQ ^c	(Brück et al., 2017)	0.06 70	0.0 564	0.06 29	0.0 531	0.0 687	0.1 26	0.10 7	0.1 16	0.1 35	(Drozdik et al., 2014) (Miyachi et al., 2016) (Gröer et al., 2013) (Akazawa et al., 2018)
					BL Q							
					BLQ		0.077					
				0.551		BLQ						
MCT	1.72 ^a	(Ölander et al., 2016)	61.1 3 ^d	78. 81 ^d	75.1 4 ^d		43.6 5 ^d		112. 6 ^d			(Drozdik et al., 2019)
	0.871 ^b	(Uchida et al., 2015)			1.85							(Miyachi et al., 2016)
				1.54		2.41						(Akazawa et al., 2018)

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1447 **Table 2:** *In vitro* ~~fi~~ impact of selected nonionic surfactants and polyethylene glycol (PEG) derivatives on
 1448 P-glycoprotein *in vitro*.

1449 Accumulation (accum.), Approximately (approx.), Respectively (resp.), Surfactant (surf.),
 1450 Concentration (conc.), Dependent (dep.), Not specified in the study (ns), Apical to basolateral (A-B),
 1451 Mucosal to serosal (M-S), Permeability (P_{app}), Any increase or decrease described in the table means
 1452 significant $P < 0.05$, Resistance Modification Index (RMI), Mouse embryo fibroblasts transfected with
 1453 MDR1 (NIH-MDR1-G185), Mouse embryo fibroblasts transfected with MDR1 (NIH-MDR1-G185),
 1454 P-gp overexpressing human melanoma cell line (MDA-MB-435/LCC6MDR1), P-gp overexpressing
 1455 human ovarian carcinoma cell line (NCI/ADR-RES), Adriamycin-resistant of murine leukaemia P388
 1456 cells (P388/ADR), P-gp variant of human epithelial cells KB 3-1 (KB 8-5-11 cells), In Vitro Diffusion
 1457 Chamber Method (In vitro DCM), ATPlite 1step Assay kit was from PerkinElmer, P-gp containing
 1458 membranes of Chinese hamster lung fibroblasts (DC-3F/ADX cells), MDR cell subline of Chinese
 1459 hamster ovary cells Aux-B1(CH₂C5), Bovine brain microvessel endothelial cells (BBMEC),
 1460 Vinblastine-resistant derivative of Human Caucasian acute lymphoblastic leukaemia CCRF-CEM cells
 1461 (R100 cells), Human lung adenocarcinoma cell line A549 treated with paclitaxel (A549/Taxol), Porcine
 1462 kidney epithelial cell line (LLC-PK1-MDR1), LLC-PK1 stably expressing MDR1 (LLC-MDR1), P-gp
 1463 overexpressing human oral epidermal carcinoma (KBv), For cremophor[®]-EL and Solutol[®]-HS 15, RMI
 1464 was measured at 10 $\mu\text{g/mL}$, P-gp overexpressing human melanoma cell line (MDA-MB-
 1465 435/LCC6MDR1), P-gp overexpressing human ovarian carcinoma cell line NCI/ADR-RES, MDR cell
 1466 subline of human breast carcinoma MCF-7 cells (MCF7/ADR), Resistance reversion index ($\text{Log}(IC_{50-0}/IC_{50})$)
 1467 was determined as a ratio of IC_{50} of Doxorubicin in the assay buffer and surfactant
 1468 solution, Vincristine-resistant derivative of K562 (7962 cells), Human lung cancer cells (A549),
 1469 Human P-gp overexpressing membranes obtained from baculovirus-infected insect cells (High Five,
 1470 BTI-TN5B1-4), Clonal isolate derived from the *Spodoptera frugiperda* cell line IPLB-Sf-21-AE (Sf9),
 1471 The disappearance of the drug in perfusate (P_{lumen}) as well as the appearance of the drug in mesenteric

1472 vein blood (apparent permeability coefficient, P_{blood}), P-gp overexpressing of Chinese hamster ovary
1473 AA8 cells (Emt^{R1}). For an overview of the effects of more surfactants on P-gp, (see Table S1).

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	Conc.	Substrate	Cell line/Tissue	Assay	Impact	Refer
EL,	(1:1000)	Daunorubicin	R100 cells	Uptake transport	Increased intracellular accum.	(Wood
,	(1:1000)	Daunorubicin	7962 cells	Uptake transport	Increased intracellular accum.	(Wood
astor	(1:1000)	Daunorubicin	R100 cells	Uptake transport	Increased intracellular accum.	(Wood
astor	(1:1000)	Daunorubicin	P388/ADR	Uptake transport	Increased intracellular accum.	(Wood
5	0.0001-0.1% (w/v)	Acf(N-Mef) ₂ NH ₂	Caco-2 Cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P _{app} .	(Nerur
	100 µg/mL	Rh 123	KB 8-5-11 cells	Uptake transport	Enhanced the fluorescence of Rh 123 by 3-fold.	(Buck
	3-20 µg/mL	Doxorubicin	KB 8-5-11 cells	MTT	Decreased IC ₅₀ in a conc. dep. manner. RMI = 1.5 ± 0.0	(Buck
	3-20 µg/mL	Vinblastine	KB 8-5-11 cells	MTT	Decreased IC ₅₀ in a conc. dep. manner. RMI = 1.1 ± 0.1	(Buck
	3-20 µg/mL	Colchicine	KB 8-5-11 cells	MTT	Decreased IC ₅₀ in a conc. dep. manner. RMI = 1.3 ± 0.1	(Buck
	3-20 µg/mL	Etoposide	KB 8-5-11 cells	MTT	Decreased IC ₅₀ in a conc. dep. manner. RMI = 1.2 ± 0.3	(Buck
	3-20 µg/mL,	Actinomycin D	KB 8-5-11 cells	MTT	Decreased IC ₅₀ in a conc. dep. manner. RMI = 1 ± 0.2	(Buck
	0.01-1 mM	Rh 123	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P _{app} in a conc. dependent manner.	(Rege
	0.02-2% (w/v)	Cyclosporine A	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased B-A P _{app} .	(Chiu
	0.005-0.5% (w/v)	Rh 123	Rat intestinal membrane	Bi-directional transport (In vitro DCM)	Increased S-M and decreased M-S P _{app} .	(Shon
	400 µM	Doxorubicin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B P _{app} .	(Al-Sa
	300 µM	Etoposide	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P _{app} .	(Al-A
	1% SMEDDS containing 50% (w/w) of surf.	Etoposide (SMEDDS)	Intestinal segments from rats' ileum	In situ single- pass perfusion experiments	Increased intestinal P _{app} . Increased P _{Blood} and P _{Lumen} .	(Zhao
	0.3-1000 µM	Digoxin	MDCKII MDR1	Uptake transport	Increased intracellular accum. in a conc. dependent manner. IC ₅₀ = 12 µM	(Gurja
	2.5-20% (w/v)	Paclitaxel	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P _{app} in a conc. dependent manner.	(Hugg

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20% (w/v)	Paclitaxel	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} in a conc. dependent manner.	(Hugg)
20% (v/v)	Ranitidine	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased ranitidine ER.	(Ashir al., 20
300 μ M			PREDEASY ATPase Kit	Increased P-gp ATPase activity.	(Ashir al., 20
1, 5 and 20% (w/v)	Digoxin	Rat jejunal membrane	Bi-directional transport (In vitro DCM)	Decreased S-M flux by 47, 57 and 64%, resp., compared to control.	(Johns 2002)
0.1-20% (v/v)	Rh 123	Rat intestinal membrane	Bi-directional transport (In vitro DCM)	Decreased S-M P_{app} in a conc. dep. manner.	(Shen
20% (v/v)	Ranitidine	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased ER.	(Ashir al., 20
0.5 and 1% (v/v)	Ranitidine	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Enhanced A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Ashir al., 20
300 μ M			PREDEASY ATPase Kit	Increased P-gp ATPase activity.	(Ashir al., 20
1 and 2% (w/v)	Rh 123	Caco-2 cells	Uptake transport	Enhanced Rh 123 intracellular accum.	(Hoda
1 and 2% (w/v)		Caco-2 cells	Western blotting	Decreased P-gp expression.	(Hoda
	Doxorubicin	KBv		$\text{Log}(IC_{50.0}/IC_{50}) = 0.7$	(Batra 1999)
	Doxorubicin	MCF7/ADR		$\text{Log}(IC_{50.0}/IC_{50}) = 0.8$	(Batra 1999)
	Doxorubicin	CH ⁺ C5		$\text{Log}(IC_{50.0}/IC_{50}) = 2$	(Batra 1999)
Log M = -5	Rh 123	KBv	Uptake transport	Enhanced Rh 123 accum. by approx. 6.5-fold.	(Batra 1999)
0.001-1%	Rh 123	LLC-PK1-MDR1	Uptake transport	Increased Rh 123 accum.	(Batra 2001)
0.001-1%	Digoxin	LLC-PK1-MDR1	Uptake transport	Increased digoxin accum.	(Batra 2001)
0.01-1%	Digoxin	BBMEC	A-B transport	Increased A-B transport.	(Batra 2001)
0.01%	Digoxin	BBMEC	A-B transport	Increased A-B and decreased transport.	(Batra 2001)
0.01 and 0.1% (w/v)	Digoxin	Rat jejunal membrane	Bi-directional transport (In vitro DCM)	Decreased S-M flux.	(Johns 2002)
0.01% (w/v)	Rh 123	BBMEC	Uptake transport	Enhanced Rh 123 accum. by approx. 2-fold. Depleted intracellular ATP content. Decreased the P-gp ATPase	(Batra 2003)

0.01% (w/v)	Rh 123	BBMEC	ATP luciferin/ luciferase	activity. Depleted intracellular ATP content.	(Batra 2003)
0.01% (w/v)	Rh 123	KBv	Pgp ATPase activity	Decreased the P-gp ATPase activity.	(Batra 2003)
0.1% w/v		P-gp membranes from Gentest Co.	P-gp ATPase Assay	Decreased V_{max} and increased K_m significantly.	(Batra 2004)
0.01 and 0.1% w/v	Vincristine	P-gp membranes from Gentest Co.	P-gp ATPase Assay	Decreased V_{max} and increased K_m significantly.	(Batra 2004)
0.5 % (w/v)	Rh 123	Rats' jejunal segments	M-S transport. (Ussing chamber)	Increased M-S P_{app} by 1.9-fold.	(Föger 2003)
0.1% w/w		P-gp membranes (High Five, BTI- TN5B1-4)	P-gp ATPase Assay	Abolished P-gp ATPase activity completely.	(Shaik 2004)
0.01% w/w	Verapamil	P-gp membranes (High Five, BTI- TN5B1-4)	P-gp ATPase Assay	Inhibited verapamil-stimulated P-gp ATPase activity.	(Shaik 2004)
0.01% w/w	Nelfinavir	P-gp membranes (High Five, BTI- TN5B1-4)	P-gp ATPase Assay	Abolished the nelfinavir stimulated P-gp ATPase activity.	(Shaik 2004)
0.01% w/w	Nelfinavir	MDCKII MDR1	Uptake transport	Enhanced nelfinavir accum.	(Shaik 2004)
0.01% w/w	Saquinavir	MDCKII MDR1	Uptake transport	Increased saquinavir accum. by 2- fold.	(Shaik 2004)
0.01% w/w	Saquinavir	LLC-PK1-MDR1	Uptake transport	Increased saquinavir accum. by 5- fold.	(Shaik 2004)
0-600 ng/mL		Membrane vesicles of Emt ^{R1} cells	Phosphate release measurements	Reduced P-gp ATPase activity in a conc. dep. manner.	(Rege 2004)
0-300 ng/mL	Doxirubicin	Large unilamellar vesicles (LUV)	Trans-bilayer movement	Decreased Flip-Flop Life-Time of doxorubicin in a conc. dep. manner.	(Rege 2004)
30-100 ng/mL	Clacein-AM	Emt ^{R1} cells	Calcein-AM efflux	Enhanced calcein-AM uptake in a conc. dep. manner.	(Rege 2004)
0.5% (w/v)	Digoxin	Rat everted gut sac model	Uptake transport	Enhanced digoxin accum.	(Corn 2004)
200 μ M	Epirubicin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Lo, 2 004)
20-200 μ M	Epirubicin	Caco-2 cells	Uptake transport	Enhanced fluorescent epirubicin accum. in a conc. dep. manner.	(Lo, 2 004)
200 μ M	Epirubicin	Everted sacs of rat's jejunum or ileum	M-S transport	Increased M-S P_{app} .	(Lo, 2 004)
200 μ M	Doxorubicin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B P_{app} .	(Al-Sa 2016)

200 μ M	Digoxin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Niels)
0.2-500 μ M	Digoxin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} in a conc. dep. manner.	(Niels)
0.2-500 μ M	Digoxin	MDCKII MDR1 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} in a conc. dep. manner.	(Niels)
200-500 μ M	Etoposide	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B P_{app} .	(Al-A)
0.2-500 μ M	Etoposide	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Al-A)
20-500 μ M	Etoposide	MDCKII MDR1 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Al-A)
	Calcein-AM	MDCKII MDR1	Calcein-AM efflux	Increased calcein fluorescence in a conc. dep. manner. $IC_{50} = 11 \mu$ M.	(Al-A) 2018b
200 μ M	Digoxin	MDCKII MDR1	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} . Increased intracellular accum. of digoxin from the apical side.	(Al-A) 2018b
0.3-1000 μ M	Digoxin	MDCKII MDR1	Uptake transport	Increased intracellular accum. in a conc. dependent manner. $IC_{50} = 74 \mu$ M.	(Gurja)
200 μ M	Epirubicin	Everted sacs of jejunum or ileum of rats	M-S transport	Increased M-S P_{app}	(Lo, 2)
20-200 μ M	Epirubicin	Caco-2 cells	Uptake transport	Enhanced intracellular accum. of fluorescent epirubicin in a conc. dep. manner.	(Lo, 2)
200 μ M	Epirubicin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Lo, 2)
0.5 w/v	Digoxin	Rat everted gut sac model	Uptake transport	Enhanced digoxin uptake.	(Corn) 2004)
0.01-1 mM	Rh 123	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} in a conc. dep. manner.	(Rege)
	Rh 123	Caco-2	Uptake transport	Increased Rh 123 accum.	(Kiss)
	Rh 123	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Kiss)
(1:10000)	Calcein-AM	Caco-2 cells	Uptake transport	Increased calcein accum.	(Kiss)
	Daunorubicin	R100 cells	Uptake transport	Increased intracellular daunorubicin accum.	(Wood) 1992)
0.0001-1 % (w/v)	Acf(N-Mef) ₂ NH ₂	Caco-2 Cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Nerur) 1996)
0.1% (w/v)	Rh 123	Rat intestinal membrane	Bi-directional transport	Reduced S-M/M-S ratio.	(Shon)

	0.06-0.66 μ M	Verapamil	Membrane vesicles of NIH-MDR1-G185	(In vitro DCM) Phosphate release measurements	Inhibition of verapamil-induced P-gp ATPase activity.	(Li-BL 2009)
	0.001-0.05 w/v	Calcein-AM	MDCKII MDR1	Calcein-AM efflux	Enhanced calcein fluorescence by approx. 2-fold.	(Hank
	150 μ M	Bis(12)-hopyridone	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B P_{app} and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Yu et
	10 μ M	Bis(12)-hopyridone	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Yu et
	200 μ M	Doxorubicin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B P_{app} .	(Al-Sa 2016)
	200 μ M	Digoxin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A flux.	(Niels
	300 μ M	Etoposide	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Al-A
	1% SMEDDS containing 50% (w/w) of surf.	Etoposide (SMEDDS)	Intestinal segments from rats' ileum	In situ single-pass perfusion experiments	Increased intestinal P_{app} . Increased P_{Blood} and P_{Lumen} .	(Zhao
		Calcein-AM	MDCKII MDR1	Calcein-AM efflux	Increased calcein fluorescence in a conc. dep. manner. IC_{50} = 69 μ M	(Al-A 2018b
	200 μ M	Digoxin	MDCKII MDR1	Bi-directional transport	Decreased B-A P_{app} . Increased intracellular accum. of digoxin from the apical side.	(Al-A 2018b
	0.3-100 μ M	Digoxin	MDCKII MDR1	Uptake transport	Increased intracellular accum. in a conc. dep. manner. IC_{50} = 45 μ M	(Gurja
5, S 15, glycol	0.05-0.5 % (w/v)	Digoxin	Rat everted gut sac model	Uptake transport	Enhanced digoxin accum.	(Corna 2004)
	(1:10000)	Daunorubicin	R100 cells	Uptake transport	Increased intracellular daunorubicin.	(Wood 1992)
ate, ted aric		Etoposide	C6 glioma cells	MTT	Decreased IC_{50} by 10-fold.	(Lamp Benoi
		Etoposide	F98 glioma cells	MTT	Decreased IC_{50} by 3-fold.	(Lamp Benoi
		Etoposide	9L glioma cells	MTT	Decreased IC_{50} by 8-fold.	(Lamp Benoi
ate	35-39% Lipid nanoparticles		P-gp exhibiting membrane vesicles	ATPase kit (SPIbio®, Massy, France)	Decreased ATPase activity.	(Lamp Benoi
	5-100 μ g/mL	Rh 123	KB 8-5-11 cells	Uptake transport	Enhanced fluorescence of Rh 123 in a conc. dep. manner.	(Buck 1995)
	3-20 μ g/mL	Doxorubicin	KB 8-5-11 cells	MTT	Decreased IC_{50} in a conc. dep. manner. $RMI = 6 \pm 3.2$	(Buck 1995)

	3-20 µg/mL	Vinblastine	KB 8-5-11 cells	MTT	Decreased IC ₅₀ in a conc. dep. manner. RMI = 2 ± 1	(Buck 1995)
	3-20 µg/mL	Colchicine	KB 8-5-11 cells	MTT	Decreased IC ₅₀ in a conc. dep. manner. RMI = 4.2 ± 0.7	(Buck 1995)
	3-20 µg/mL	Etoposide	KB 8-5-11 cells	MTT	Decreased IC ₅₀ in a conc. dep. manner. RMI = 2.7 ± 0.7	(Buck 1995)
	3-20 µg/mL	Actinomycin D	KB 8-5-11 cells	MTT	Decreased IC ₅₀ in a conc. dep. manner. RMI = 2.3 ± 0.9	(Buck 1995)
	3-20 µg/mL	Paclitaxel	KB 8-5-11 cells	MTT	Decreased IC ₅₀ in a conc. dep. manner. RMI=10 ± 1.2	(Buck 1995)
	0.1 – 100 µM	Colchicine	KB 8-5-11 cells	Colorimetric (Crystal violet)	Decreased IC ₅₀ in a conc. dep. manner. RMI = 34.5 ± 2.5	(Coon)
	0.1 – 100 µM	Vinblastine	KB 8-5-11 cells	Colorimetric (Crystal violet)	Decreased IC ₅₀ in a conc. dep. manner. RMI = 27.7 ± 2.3	(Coon)
	0.1 – 100 µM	Doxorubicin	KB 8-5-11 cells	Colorimetric (Crystal violet)	Decreased IC ₅₀ in a conc. dep. manner. RMI = 41.7 ± 3	(Coon)
	70 µM	Rh 123	KB 8-5-11 cells	Uptake transport	Increased accum. by 50-fold.	(Coon)
	0.1-1 % (w/v)	Etoposide	Everted sacs of ileum of rats	M-S and S-M transport	Increased A-B P _{app}	(Akht)
	0.3-1000 µM	Digoxin	MDCKII MDR1	Uptake transport	Increased intracellular accum. in a conc. dep. manner. IC ₅₀ = 180 µM	(Gurja)
	0.05-0.5% w/v	Digoxin	Rat everted gut sac model	Uptake transport	Enhanced digoxin accum.	(Corna 2004)
	0.05 and 0.5 w/v	Celiprolol	Rat everted gut sac model	Uptake transport	Enhanced celiprolol accum.	(Corna 2004)
	0.002-1 mg/mL	Paclitaxel	Intestinal segments from rats' ileum	Bi-directional transport (Ussing chamber)	Decreased B-A P _{app} in a conc. dep. manner. Increased A-B P _{app} .	(Varm Panch)
	0.1 and 1 mg/mL	Paclitaxel	Intestinal segments from rats' ileum	In situ single-pass perfusion experiments	Increased intestinal P _{app} .	(Varm Panch)
		Verapamil	P-gp membranes from Sf9	ATPase	Inhibited substrate induced ATPase activity. IC ₅₀ (µM) = 3.18 ± 1.97	(Colln)
		Quinidine	P-gp membranes from Sf9	ATPase	Inhibited substrate induced ATPase activity. IC ₅₀ (µM) = 0.82 ± 0.47	(Colln)
		Progesterone	P-gp membranes from Sf9	ATPase	Inhibited substrate induced ATPase activity. IC ₅₀ (µM) = 3.25 ± 1.29	(Colln)
		Nicardipine	P-gp membranes from Sf9	ATPase	Inhibited substrate induced ATPase activity. IC ₅₀ (µM) = 0.40 ± 0.17	(Colln)
	33.0 µM	Rh 123	Caco-2 monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increase A-B and decrease B-A P _{app} .	(Colln)
	33.0 µM	Digoxin	Caco-2 monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increase A-B and decrease B-A P _{app} .	(Colln)

	Dose of surfactant	Substrate (Dose)	Impact	Reference
	0.005%	Calcein-AM NCI/ADR-RES	Calcein-AM efflux	Dose-dependent increase in calcein fluorescence. (Dong et al. 2005)
		Calcein-AM MDA-MB-435/LCC6MDR1	Calcein-AM efflux	Dose-dependent increase in calcein fluorescence. (Dong et al. 2005)
		Talinolol Caco-2 Cell	Bi-directional	Increased A-B P _{app} . (Bognar et al. 2005)
EL	1% SMEDDS containing 50% (w/w) surfactant	Etoposide ^a (12 mg/kg)	Increased AUC, C _{max} , and F by 1.7-, 1.3-, and 1.7-fold, respectively.	(Zhao et al. 2014)
RH 40 RH 40, or oil	1% SMEDDS containing 43% (w/w) surfactant	Etoposide ^a (12 mg/kg)	Increased AUC, C _{max} , and F by 1.4-, 1.3-, and 1.4-fold, respectively.	(Zhao et al. 2014)
royl lycerides,	240 mg/kg	Rifampicin ^b	Increased AUC by 1.5-fold, prolonged t _{1/2} by 25%, and decreased CL to 60%	(Ma et al. 2014)
ric	1% (w/v)	Etoposide ^b (4.5 mg/kg)	Increased AUC, C _{max} , and F by 1.8-, 4.7-, and 1.8-fold, respectively.	(Akhtar et al. 2014)
	5% (w/v)	Etoposide ^b (4.5 mg/kg)	Increased AUC, C _{max} , and F by 3-, 7-, and 3-fold, respectively.	(Akhtar et al. 2014)
	10% (w/v)	Etoposide ^b (4.5 mg/kg)	Increased AUC, C _{max} , and F by 1.6-, 6-, and 1.6-fold, respectively.	(Akhtar et al. 2014)
lene (40)	8.5 mg/tablet	Rh 123 ^a (1.5 mg/tablet)	Increased AUC by 3.4-fold.	(Föger et al. 2014)

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1478 **Table 43:** Impact of nonionic surfactants on intestinal P-glycoprotein in rats.

1479 *In vivo* pre-clinical studies were performed in male ^a: Sprague-Dawley rats, ^b: Wistar albino rats.

1480 Synonyms of surfactants are available in Table 2.

58	240 mg/kg	Rifampicin ^b	Increased AUC by 1.5-fold, prolonged $t_{1/2}$ by 38%, and decreased CL to 60%.	(Ma et al.
35	8.5 mg/tablet	Rh123 ^a (1.5 mg/tablet)	Increased AUC by 1.6-fold.	(Föger et
20	10-25% (v/v)	Digoxin ^a (0.2 mg/kg)	Increased AUC by 1.4-fold, increased C_{max} by 1.4-1.8-fold, increased k_e by 1.4-1.6-fold, and increased F by approx. 1.5-fold.	(Nielsen e
	5 and 25% (v/v)	Etoposide ^a (20 mg/kg)	Increased AUC by 1.8-fold, increased C_{max} by 1.5-2.1-fold, CL decreased by half, and increased F by 1.7-fold.	(Al-Ali et
80	1 and 10%(v/v)	Digoxin ^a (0.2 mg/kg)	Increased AUC by 1.3-1.6-fold and increased C_{max} by 2.5-fold	(Zhang et
	10%	Rifampicin ^b (30 mg/kg)	Increased AUC by 1.7-fold and decreased $t_{1/2}$ to 36%.	(Shimom
	1% SMEDDS containing 50% (w/w) surfactant	Etoposide ^a (12 mg/kg)	Increased C_{max} by 3.5-fold, increased F and AUC by 2.5-fold.	(Zhao et a
7, orylic / rides	1 mg/kg	Digoxin ^a (0.25 mg/kg)	Increased AUC by 1.4-fold and decreased t_{max} by 4.5-fold.	(Cornaire
15	10%	Colchicine (5mg/kg)	Increased AUC by 4-fold.	(Bittner e
	10%	Colchicine (5mg/kg)	Increased AUC by 2-fold.	(Bittner e
	50 mg/kg	Paclitaxel ^a (25 mg/kg)	Increased AUC, C_{max} , and F by 6.3-, 3.1-, and 6.4-fold, respectively.	(Varma an Panchagn

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1484 **Table 34:** *In vitro* and *in vivo* impact of nonionic surfactants on breast cancer resistance protein,
 1485 BCRP, *in vitro* and *in vivo*.

1486 ~~Concentration (conc.), Approximately (approx.), Respectively (resp.), Plasma membrane vesicle of~~
 1487 ~~cells containing human ABCG2 (Membrane vesicles BCRP), Clonal isolate derived from the~~
 1488 ~~Spodoptera frugiperda cell line IPLB-Sf-21-AE (Sf9 insect cells), In Vitro Diffusion Chamber Method~~

Surfactants	Conc.	Substrate	Cells/Tissue/ <u>Animal</u>	Assay	Impact of surfactant	Ref
β -D-glucopyranoside, (C ₆ -malt)			Membrane vesicles BCRP	Phosphate release measurements	Reduced Pgp ATPase activity. $K_2 = 4.6 \cdot 10^3 \mu\text{M}$	(Xu)
Sorbitan monooleate (9) lauryl ether (9)	0.05% and 0.075%	Sulfasalazine	Rat intestinal membrane	In vitro DCM	Decreased <u>S-M B-A</u> transport	(Sav) 2018
	0.05 %	Sulfasalazine	WT male Wistar rat	<i>In situ</i> CLM	Increased AUC and C _{max} by 1.45 and 1.4- folds, resp.	(Sav) 2018
	0.1 %	Sulfasalazine	WT male Wistar rat	<i>In situ</i> CLM	Increased AUC and C _{max} by 2.2 and 2.1-folds, resp.	(Sav) 2018
	50 and 100 μM	Mitoxantrone	MDCKII BCRP	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake by approx. 1.7-fold.	(Yar) 2007
Sorbitan monooleate (4) lauryl ether (4), Brij [®] L4						

1489 (~~*In vitro* DCM~~), ~~*In situ* closed-loop method (*In situ* CLM)~~, ~~Wild type (WT)~~, ~~Sprague-Dawley (SD)~~,

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polyoxyethylene ether	0.01% and 0.05%	Sulfasalazine	Rat intestinal membrane	<i>In vitro</i> DCM	Decreased <u>S-M-B-A</u> transport.	(Sav 2018)
	0.1 %	Sulfasalazine	WT male Wistar rat	<i>In situ</i> CLM	Increased AUC and C_{max} by 1.8 and 2.3-fold, resp.	(Sav 2018)
EL	50 μ M	Mitoxantrone	MDCKII BCRP	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake by approx. 1.4-fold.	(Yan 2007)
	6.25-100 nM	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 BCRP	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake in a conc. dependent manner.	(Xia 2016)
	1 and 5 μ g/mL	Scutellarin	MDCKII BCRP	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Xia 2016)
	5 μ g/mL	Scutellarin	WT Male SD rats		Increased AUC and C_{max2} by 1.6 and 1.9-folds, resp.	(Xia 2016)
	0.025 and 0.05% (w/v)	Topotecan	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and/or decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Sav 2018)
	0.05 % (w/v)	Topotecan	WT male Wistar rat	<i>In situ</i> CLM	Increased AUC 2.3-folds.	(Sav 2018)
methyl- β -D-glucoside, (Cymal-1)			Membrane vesicles BCRP	Phosphate release measurements	Reduced P-gp ATPase activity. $K_2 = 1.51 \cdot 10^4 \mu$ M	(Xu 2018)
	0.075%	Sulfasalazine	Rat intestinal membrane	<i>In vitro</i> DCM	Decreased <u>S-M-B-A</u> transport.	(Sav 2018)
8	0.025 and 0.05% (w/v)	Topotecan	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B P_{app} .	(Sav 2018)
	0.025 and 0.05% (w/v)	Topotecan	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Sav 2018)
5	20 μ M	Mitoxantrone	MDCKII BCRP	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake by approx. 1.8-fold.	(Yan 2007)
	250 mg kg^{-1} (Oral)	Topotecan (Oral)	WT mice		Increased the AUC by 2-folds.	(Yan 2007)
	20 μ M	Topotecan	Everted sacs from WT mice ileum	Transport	Increased the intestinal absorption rate of topotecan.	(Yan 2007)
	20 μ M	Mitoxantrone	MDCKII BCRP	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake.	(Yan 2007)
ene (8) lauryl octylglycol,			Membrane vesicles BCRP	Phosphate release measurements	Reduced Pgp ATPase activity. $K_2 = 6.93 \mu$ M	(Xu 2018)
	100 and 250 μ M	Mitoxantrone	MDCKII BCRP	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake by approx. 1.6-fold.	(Yan 2007)
20	100 mg kg^{-1}	Topotecan	WT mice		Increased the AUC by 2-	(Yan 2007)

	(Oral) 250 μ M	(Oral) Topotecan	Everted	Transport	fold. Increased the intestinal	2007 (Yan)
	Conc.	Substrate	Cells or animal	Assay	Impact of surfactant	Refer
EL	0.005-0.05% (v/v)	Calcein-AM	MDCKII MRP2	Bi-directional transport	Decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Hank
	100 μ g/mL	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake.	(Li et a
	0.1%		membrane		transport.	2011
	0.025 and 0.05% (w/v)	Topotecan	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Sav 2011
	0.05 % (w/v)	Topotecan	WT male Wistar rat	<i>In situ</i> CLM	Increased AUC 2.5-folds.	(Sav 2011
molaurate	100 μ M	Mitoxantrone	MDCKII BCRP	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake by approx. 1.4-fold.	(Yan 2007

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1509 **Table 5:** *In vitro* and *in vivo* impact of nonionic surfactants and co-surfactants on multidrug resistance-
1510 associated protein 2 MRP2.

1511 Concentration (Conc.), Respectively (resp.), Membrane vesicles prepared from *Spodoptera frugiperda*
1512 (*Sf9*) insect cells over-expressing human MRP2 (Membrane vesicles of *Sf9* MRP2), ATP
1513 measurements were performed using ATP luciferin/Luciferase assay, Wild type (WT), Synonyms of
1514 surfactants are available in Table 2 and 3.

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	100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decrease ER.	(Li et al)
	0.1-100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased ER in a conc. dependent manner.	(Li et al)
	0.1-100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake in a conc. dependent manner.	(Li et al)
	6.25-100 nM	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake in a conc. dependent manner.	(Xiao et al)
	1 and 5 µg/mL	Scutellarin	MDCKII MRP2	Bi-directional transport	Decreased B-A P _{app} .	(Xiao et al)
	5 µg/mL	Scutellarin	WT Male Sprague-Dawley rats		Increased AUC and C _{max2} by 1.6 and 1.9-folds, resp.	(Xiao et al)
EL + 27	100 µg/ml + 100 µg/ml	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake.	(Li et al)
EL +	100 µg/ml + 100 µg/ml	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake.	(Li et al)
RH 40	0.02-0.04% (v/v)	Calcein-AM	MDCKII MRP2	Bidirectional transport	Decreased B-A P _{app} .	(Hankel et al)
	100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake.	(Li et al)
	100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased ER.	(Li et al)
	0.1-100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased ER in a conc. dependent manner.	(Li et al)
	0.1-100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake in a conc. dependent manner.	(Li et al)
	0.1-100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased ER.	(Li et al)
	100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2	Membrane vesicles transport assay	Increased the uptake.	(Li et al)
	100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased ER.	(Li et al)
	0.1-100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake in a conc. dependent manner.	(Li et al)
	0.1-10 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased B-A P _{app} .	(Li et al)
	100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B P _{app} .	(Li et al)
	100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake.	(Li et al)
	100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell	Bi-directional	Decreased ER.	(Li et al)

	0.1-100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	monolayers Caco-2 cell monolayers	transport Bi-directional transport	Decreased ER.	(Li et al)
	0.1-100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Sf9 MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake in a conc. dependent manner.	(Li et al)
	100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake	(Li et al)
	100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased ER.	(Li et al)
	0.1-100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased ER.	(Li et al)
	10 µg/mL	Baicalcein	MDCKII MRP2	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B P_{app} and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Chen
7, 07, 7	100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased ER.	(Li et al)
	0.1-100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased ER in a conc. dependent manner.	(Li et al)
	0.1-100 µg/mL	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake in a conc. dependent manner.	(Li et al)
	10 µg/mL	Baicalcein	MDCKII MRP2	Bi-directional transport	Decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Chen
	0.00005- 0.005% (w/w)		MDCKII MRP2	ATP measurements	Decreased ATP levels.	(Batra
	0.01-0.5% (w/w)	Vincristine	MDCKII MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased intracellular accum. in a conc. dependent manner. Decreased IC_{50} value by 6.6 times.	(Batra 2003)
	0.01-0.5% (w/w)	Doxorubicin	MDCKII MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased intracellular accum. in a conc. dependent manner. Decreased IC_{50} value by 125 times.	(Batra 2003)
	0.1 % (w/v)		Plasma membranes of MDCKII MRP2	Phosphate release measurements	Decreased V_{max} .	(Batra 2004)
	0.1 % (w/v)	Vincristine	Plasma membranes of MDCKII MRP2	Phosphate release measurements	Decreased V_{max} and increased K_m .	(Batra 2004)
	10 µg/mL	Baicalcein	MDCKII MRP2	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B P_{app} and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Chen
+	10 µg/mL	Baicalcein	MDCKII MRP2	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B P_{app} and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Chen
+	10 µg/mL	Baicalcein	MDCKII MRP2	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B P_{app} and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Chen
+	10 µg/mL	Baicalcein	MDCKII MRP2	Bi-directional	Increased A-B P_{app} and	(Chen

5				transport	decreased B-A P_{app} .	
5	10 $\mu\text{g/mL}$	Baicalcein	MDCKII MRP2	Bi-directional transport	Increased A-B P_{app} and decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Chen
0	0.05% (v/v)	Calcein-AM	MDCKII MRP2	Bi-directional transport	Decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Hank
	0.01-0.05% (v/v)	Calcein-AM	MDCKII MRP2	Bi-directional transport	Decreased B-A P_{app} .	(Hank
col	100 $\mu\text{g/mL}$	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake.	(Li et a
er	100 $\mu\text{g/mL}$	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decreased ER.	(Li et a
	0.1 and 1 $\mu\text{g/mL}$	Scutellarin	Caco-2 cell monolayers	Bi-directional transport	Decrease ER.	(Li et a
	0.1 and 100 $\mu\text{g/mL}$	Scutellarin	Membrane vesicles of Sf9 MRP2	Uptake transport	Increased the uptake in a conc. dependent manner.	(Li et a

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1520 **Table 6:** Nonionic surfactants inhibited solute carriers (SLCs) *in vitro*.

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1523 ~~IC₅₀ were estimated from uptake transport assay. For Regev et al. 2002, impact of surfactant on bi-~~

1524 ~~directional transport assay was shown. 1-methyl-4-phenylpyridinium acetate (MPP⁺), Monocarboxylic~~

1525 ~~acid transporter (MCT, SLC16A1), Organic cation transporter 1 (OCT1, SLC22A1), (OCT2,~~

1526 ~~SLC22A2), (OCT3, SLC22A3), Peptide transporter 1 (PEPT1, SLC15A1), (PEPT2, SLC15A2),~~

1527 ~~Organic anion transporting polypeptide 1A2 (OATP1A2, SLC21A3), (OATP2B1, SLC21A9). Human~~

1528 ~~embryonic kidney cells stably transfected with OATP1A2 (HEK OATP1A2), or with OATP2B1 (HEK~~

1529 ~~OATP2B1), Chinese hamster ovary cells stably transfected with rbOCT1 (CHO-K1 rbOCT1), Madin-~~

1530 ~~Darby canine kidney cells stably transfected with OCT1-3 (MDCKII OCT1-3), or with PEP2 (MDCKII~~

1531 ~~PEPT2). Synonyms of surfactants available in Table 2 and 5.~~

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Nonionic surfactant	Transporter SLC	Substrate	Cells	IC ₅₀ Impact of surfactant
Solutol® HS 15	OATP1A2	Estrone-3-sulfate	HEK OATP1A2	0.0074%
	OATP1A2	Taurocholate	HEK OATP1A2	0.0041%
	OATP2B1	Estrone-3-sulfate	HEK OATP2B1	0.011%
	OATP2B1	Bromosulfophthalein	HEK OATP2B1	0.00095%
	OCT1	MPP ⁺	MDCKII OCT1	0.008%
	OCT2	MPP ⁺	MDCKII OCT2	0.046%
	OCT3	MPP ⁺	MDCKII OCT3	0.019%
	PEPT2	Glycyl sarcosine	MDCKII PEPT2	0.014%
Cremophor® EL	OATP1A2	Estrone-3-sulfate	HEK OATP1A2	0.00054%
	OATP1A2	Taurocholate	HEK OATP1A2	0.00034%
	OATP2B1	Estrone-3-sulfate	HEK OATP2B1	0.0011%

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	OATP2B1	Bromosulfophthalein	HEK OATP2B1	0.0098%
	OCT1	MPP ⁺	MDCKII OCT1	0.019%
	OCT2	MPP ⁺	MDCKII OCT2	0.46%
	OCT3	MPP ⁺	MDCKII OCT3	9.77%
	PEPT2	Glycyl sarcosine	MDCKII-PEPT2	0.16%
	MCT	Benzoic acid	Caco-2 cells	Decreased A-B P _{app} of the substrate in a concentration dependent manner.
Kolliphor[®] P 188, Poloxamer 188	OCT3	MPP ⁺	MDCKII OCT3	0.024%
Kolliphor[®] P407	OCT1	MPP ⁺	MDCKII OCT1	1.85 %
Polysorbate 20	OCT1	MPP ⁺	MDCKII OCT1	0.002%
	OCT1	MPP ⁺	CHO-K1 rbOCT1	85 ± 1.12 µg/ml
	OCT2	MPP ⁺	MDCKII OCT2	0.033%
	OCT2	MPP ⁺	CHO-K1 rbOCT2	295 ± 1.48 µg/ml
	OCT3	MPP ⁺	MDCKII OCT3	0.011%
	PEPT2	Glycyl sarcosine	MDCKII-PEPT2	0.005%
Polysorbate 60, Tween[®] 60, Polyoxyethylene (20) sorbitan stearate	OCT1	MPP ⁺	CHO-K1 rbOCT1	50 ± 1.26 µg/ml
	OCT2	MPP ⁺	CHO-K1 rbOCT2	42 ± 1.15 µg/ml
Polysorbate 80	OCT1	MPP ⁺	MDCKII OCT1	0.0007%
	OCT1	MPP ⁺	CHO-K1 rbOCT1	106 ± 1.20 µg/ml
	OCT2	MPP ⁺	MDCKII OCT2	0.039%
	OCT2	MPP ⁺	CHO-K1 rbOCT2	185 ± 1.20 µg/ml
	OCT3	MPP ⁺	MDCKII OCT3	0.011%
	PEPT2	Glycyl sarcosine	MDCKII PEPT2	0.037%
	PEPT1	Glycyl sarcosine	Caco-2 cells	Decreased A-B P _{app} of the substrate in a concentration dependent manner.

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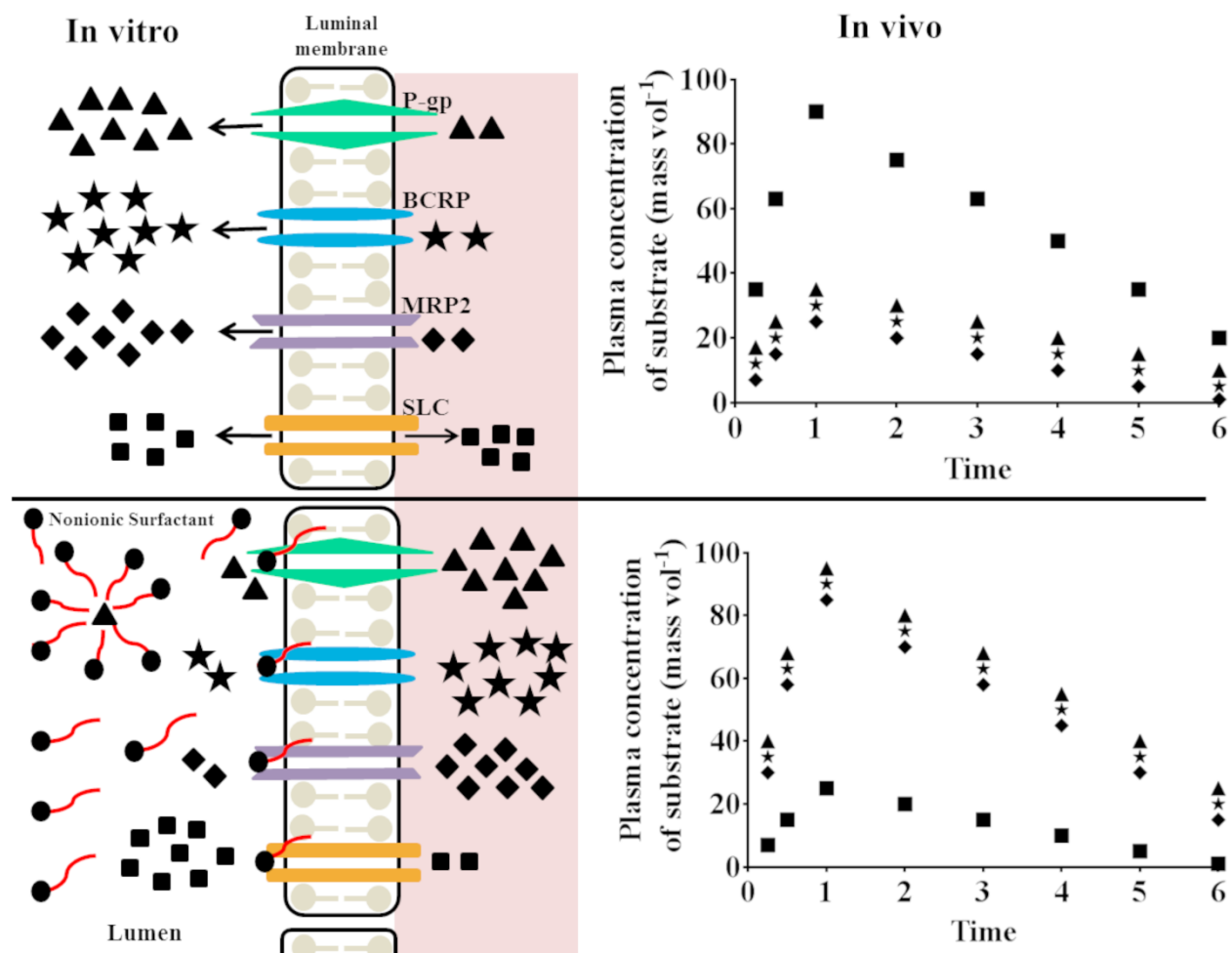
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