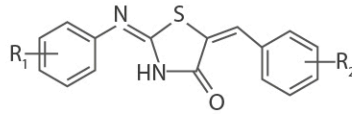


# Identification of three novel thiazolidinone compounds that ameliorate iron overload in hemochromatosis and $\beta$ -thalassemia mice

 Combinatorial library of 210 thiazolidinone compounds



Screening



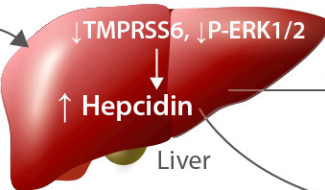
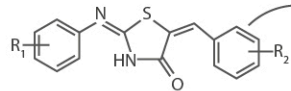
- Luciferase activity
- Hepcidin mRNA expression
- Hepcidin-stimulating activity in vivo
- Hepatic hepcidin expression in vivo

3 thiazolidinones (93, 156 and 165) were selected for in vivo studies

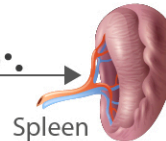


- Mouse model with hemochromatosis
- Mouse model of  $\beta$ -thalassemia

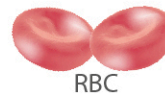
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Iron



- ameliorate iron overload
- elicit iron redistribution from the liver to the spleen
- mitigate ineffective erythropoiesis



Thiazolidinone compounds stimulate the hepatic production of hepcidin and may provide a useful alternative for the treatment of iron overload disorders