

TUMORIGENESIS BY N-*n*-PROPYL-N-FORMYLHYDRAZINE IN MICE

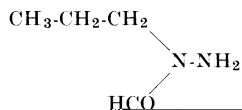
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Summary.—Continuous administration of 0.04% N-*n*-propyl-N-formylhydrazine (PFH) for life in drinking water to 6-week-old randomly bred Swiss mice induced

tumours of the lungs, preputial glands, liver and gall bladder. The tumour incidences



an additional lower dose, 0.04%, was started separately. This toxicity technique was developed in our laboratory (Toth, 1972).

The solutions were prepared 3 times weekly.

FIGURE Chemical structure of N-*n*-propyl-

and the total consumption of water contain-

during the entire treatment. The solutions

tinuously extracted for 48 h with 1 l of ethyl ether. The ether extract was dried (Na_2SO_4)

were contained in brown bottles because of the possible light sensitivity of the chemical.

and fractionally distilled until the volume was

The 0.04 and 0.08% solutions of PFH were

TABLE I.—*Treatment and survival rate in N-n-propyl-N-formylhydrazine (PFH)-treated and control Swiss mice*

PHF in drinking		Initial No.	No. of survivors (age in weeks)														
Group	for life	of mice	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150
1	0.08%	50 ♀	50	49	40	23	19	13	3	—							
		50 ♂	50	37	11	2	—										
2	0.04%	50 ♀	50	50	50	50	45	35	18	2	—						
		50 ♂	50	48	45	32	23	5	—								
3	Nil	100 ♀	100	99	98	92	83	77	70	55	45	30	16	6	1	1	—
		100 ♂	100	100	100	96	91	81	63	44	28	11	4	1	—		

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(29, 39)
7, 72)
litoral
forestomach
n (54)
1)
(41)
(80)
n (64)
(55)
ary (77)
odenum (65)
litoral
(19, 31, 36)
neous (59)

2	117	1	malignant lymphomas (16, 48, 66, 79, 87, 90, 91, 92, 96, 98, 99, 107, 116, 125, 128)
6			omas in livers, uteri and
4			ries (60, 90, 98, 108, 110, 125)
4			iosarcomas in livers and uteri (82, 84, 111)
2			llomas of forestomachs (66, 90, 101)
2			nocarcinomas of breasts (103, 100)
1			osarcomas, subcutaneous
1			oma, retroperitoneal (103)
1			nocortical adenoma (117)
1			ulocytic leukaemia (91)
1			osarcoma of uterus (105)
1			ulosa-cell tumour (49)
1			poid adenoma of colon (84)
1			nocarcinoma of kidney (96)
1			osarcoma of submandibular
1			id (112)
1			nocarcinoma of submandibular
1			id (141)
8			oma of breast (114)
9			gnant lymphomas (31, 70, 70, 59, 93, 104, 106)
4			omas in livers (69, 69, 75, 87, 98, 98, 104, 115)
1			osarcomas in livers (56, 82, 93,
1			osarcoma, subcutaneous (91)
1			anal cortical adenoma (93)
1			oma of thyroid (93)

Other tumours

In a number of instances other types of neoplasms were also observed and are (1980a). Furthermore, as a third step, N-*n*-butyl-N-formylhydrazine at a chronic dose of 0.04%, again given under condi-

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