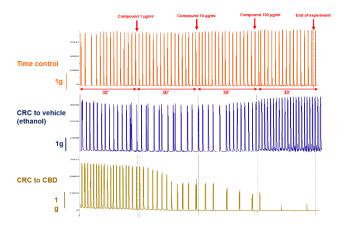
- In vitro investigation of human or animal myometrium function in organ baths.
  - myometrium body
  - both uterine horns
- Useful to investigate the effect of drugs developed to improve pathophysiological conditions in women's health (endometriosis, uterine fibroids, pre-menstrual cramps, ...).
- Evaluation of the ability of drugs at modulating myometrium smooth muscle tone can be performed in organ bath studies:
  - on spontaneous phasic contractions
  - on pharmacological or EFS stimulations
- Evaluation of mRNA by RT-PCR
- Evaluation of protein expression: by immunohistochemistry (IHC) or western-blot (WB) in parallel of organ bath studies.





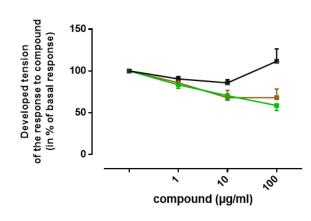


Figure 2: Effect of X (green) and Y (brown): Developed tension of the spontaneous contractions on rat body uterine strips. (Pelvipharm, internal data).

## **Endpoints**

- Evaluation of the capacity of a drug to inhibit human or rat vagina smooth muscle contractions.
- Determination of potency (EC50) and efficiency (Emax) of a drug.
- Determination of the affinity (pA2) of a drug for a human or rat myometrium receptor.

NB: Pelvipharm will gladly study the feasibility to fit this experimental model to its client's needs.