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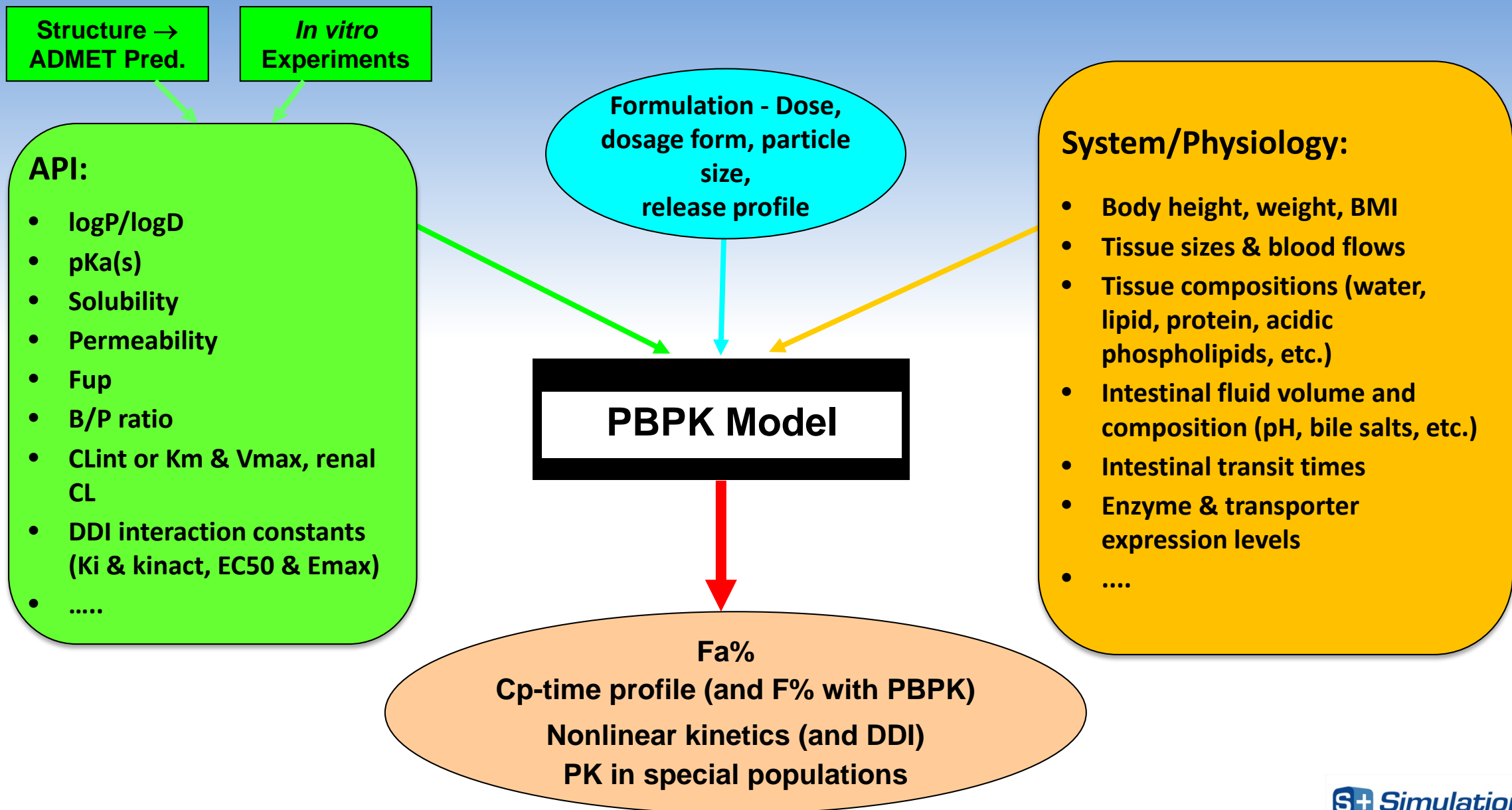
**Mechanistic PBPK modeling of special population groups – considerations and opportunities**

**October 20, 2019**

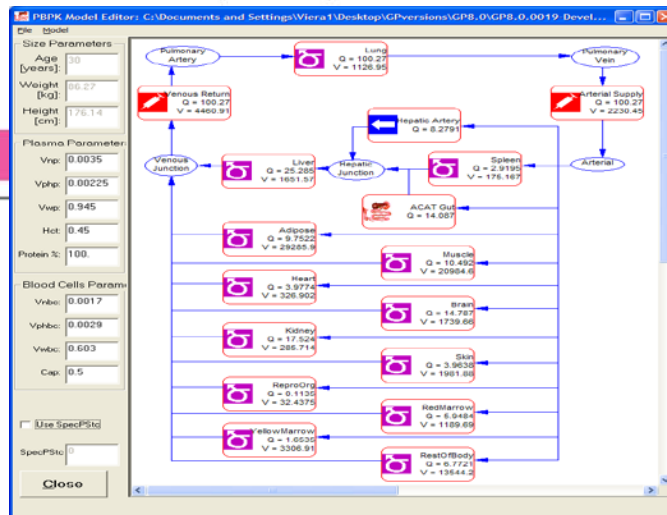
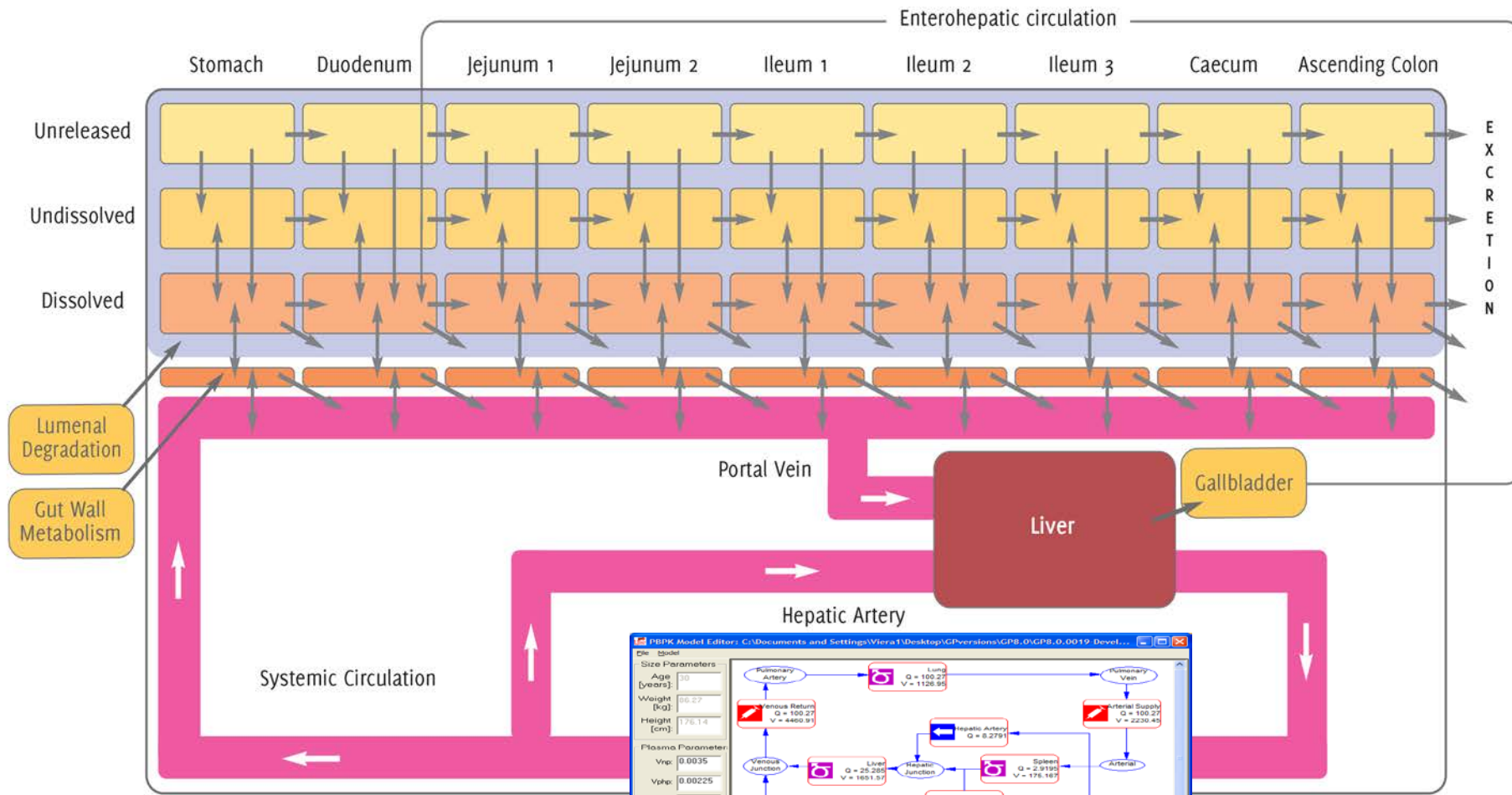
# SLP M&S Workshop Agenda

- 8:30 - 8:45 - CEO's Intro and Welcome
- 8:45 - 9:15 - The Big Picture of Integrating Simulation Methods within Drug Development
- 9:15 - 10:30 - Mechanistic PBPK Modeling – Special Populations
- 10:30 - 10:45 - Break
- 10:45 - Noon – Quantitative Systems Toxicology (QST)
- Noon - 1:00 - Lunch
- 1:00 - 2:15 - Quantitative Systems Pharmacology (QSP)
- 2:15 - 2:30 - Break
- 2:30 - 3:45 - Pharmacometrics to Support Regulatory Approval
- 3:45 - 4:00 - Q&A, Wrap-up

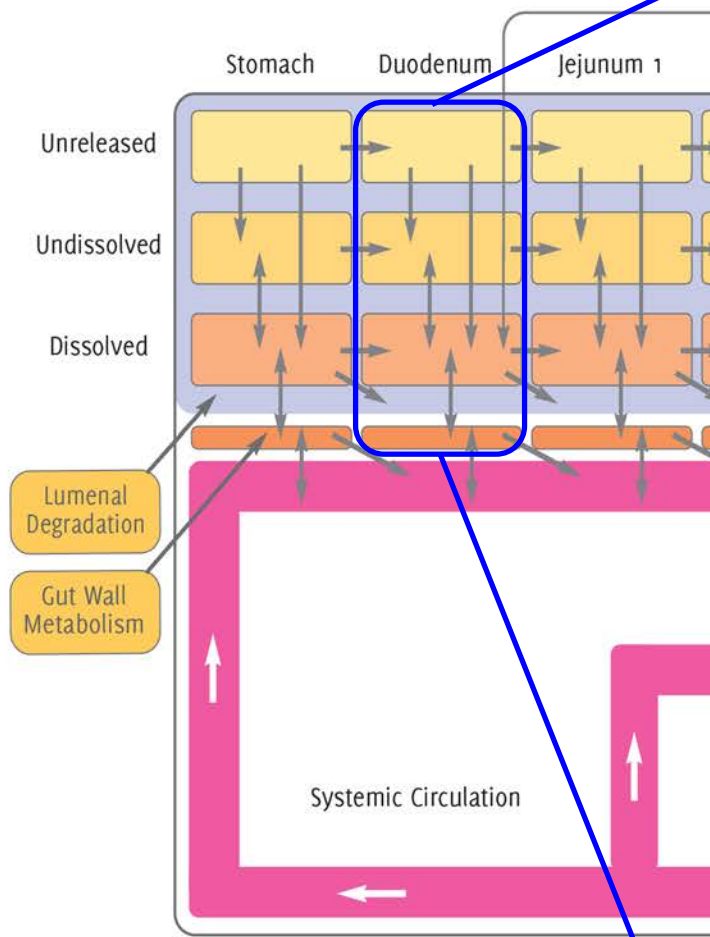
# The Big Picture



# Advanced Compartmental Absorption and Transit Model (ACAT™)

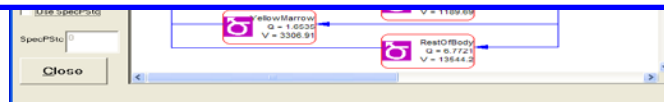
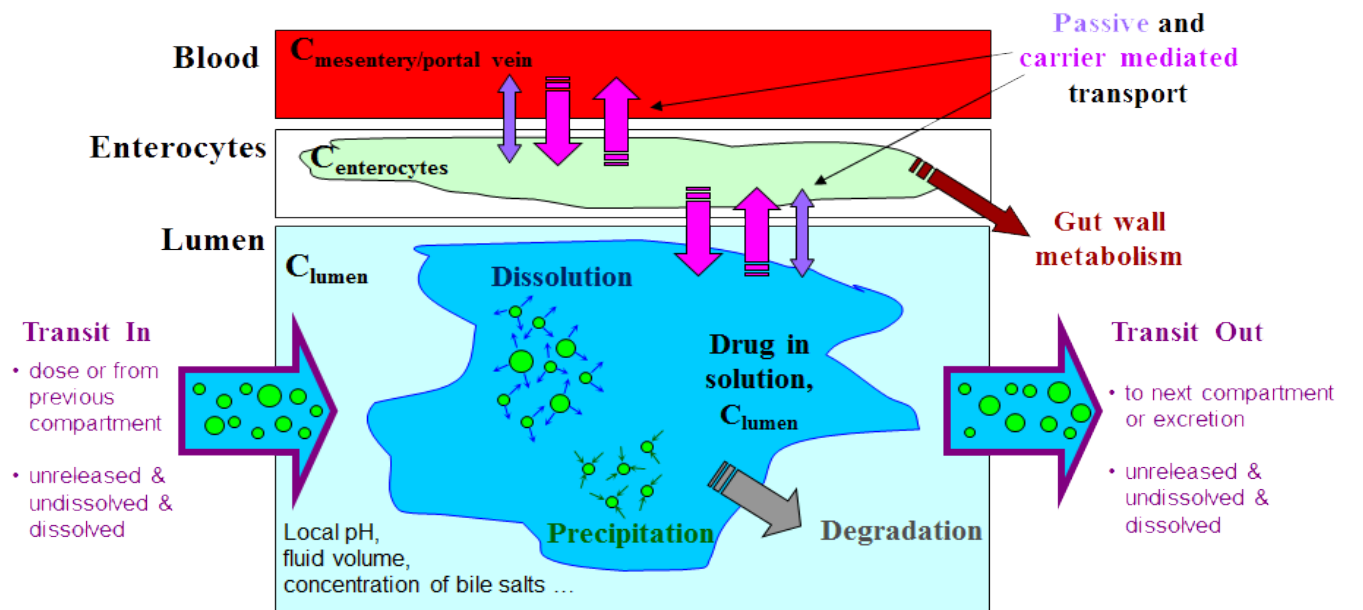


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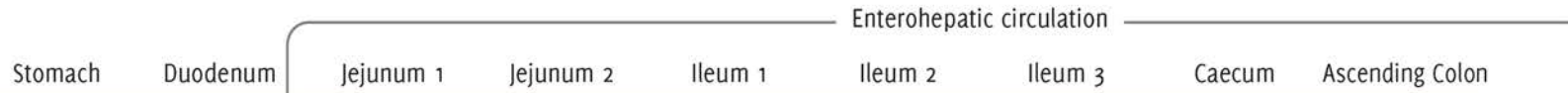


Each compartment represents a region/section of the intestine:

- pH
- Fluid volume
- Bile salt concentration
- Absorptive surface area
- Expression levels of enzymes and transporters
- .....

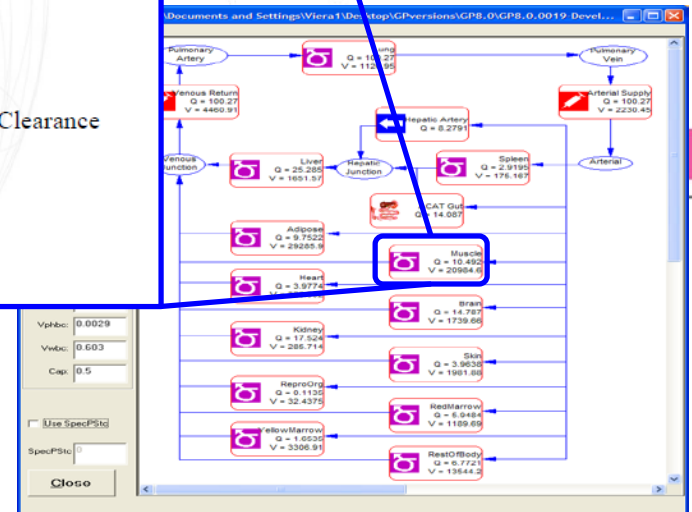
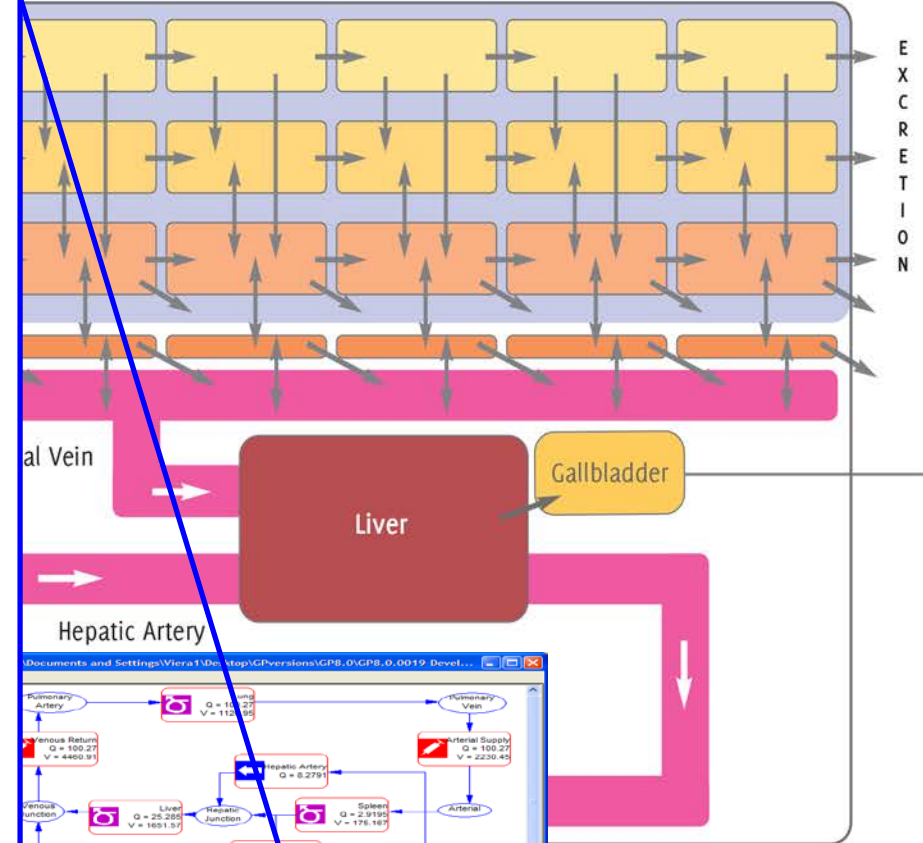
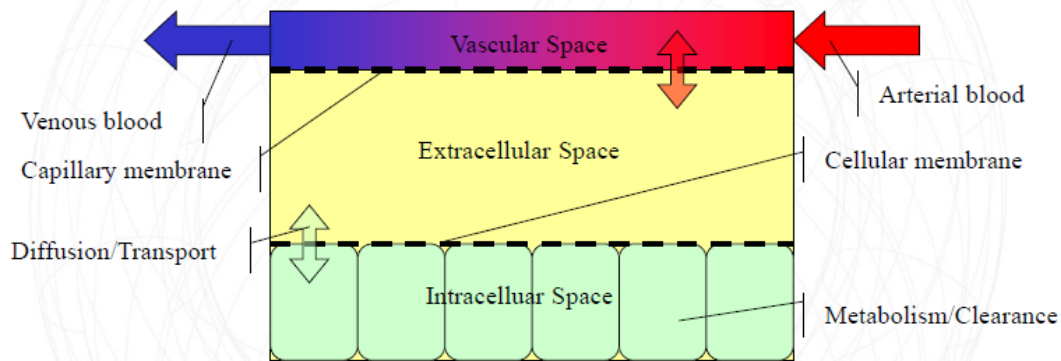


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## Each compartment represents a tissue:

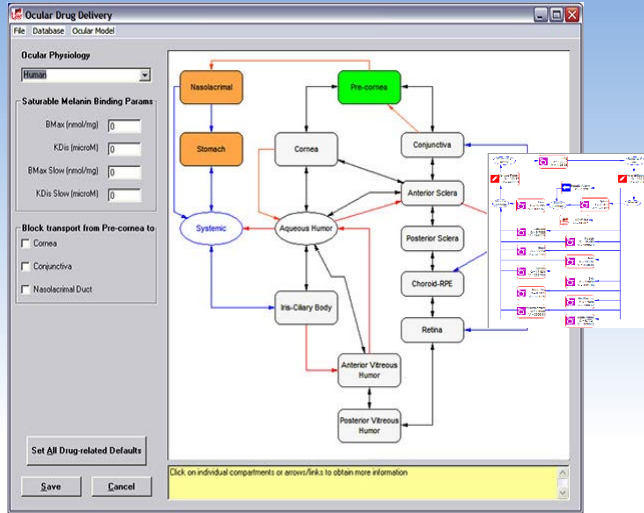
- Specific volume(s)
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- Enzyme/transporter expression levels
- Volume fractions of lipids & proteins
- .....



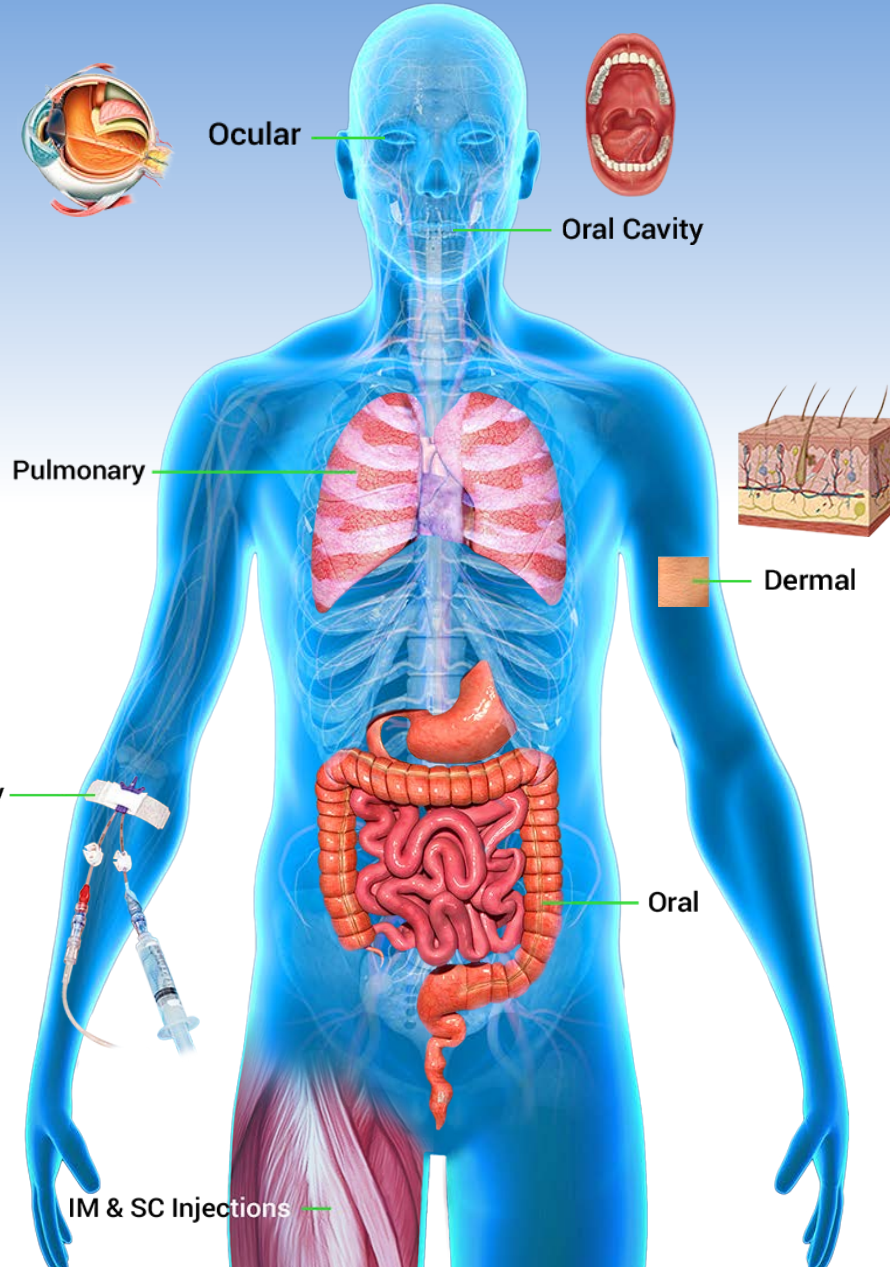
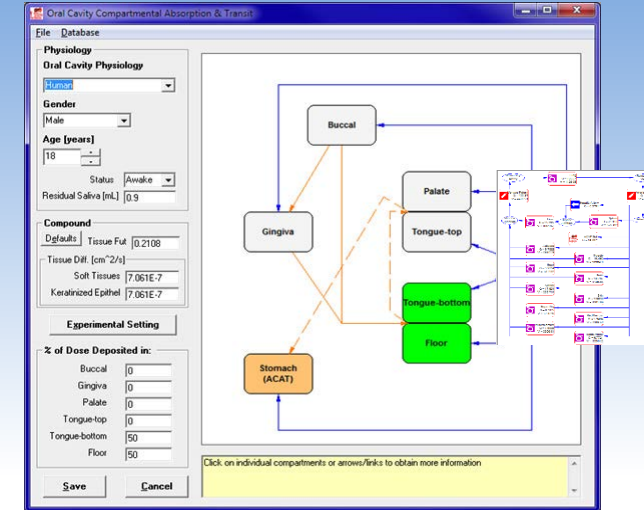


# Pathways beyond oral absorption...

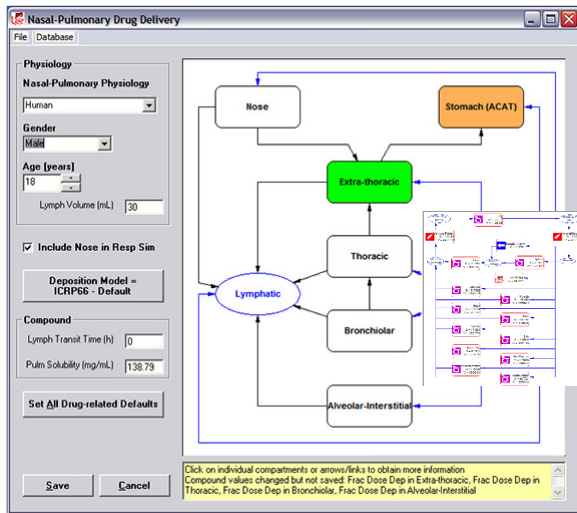
## Ocular (OCAT™)



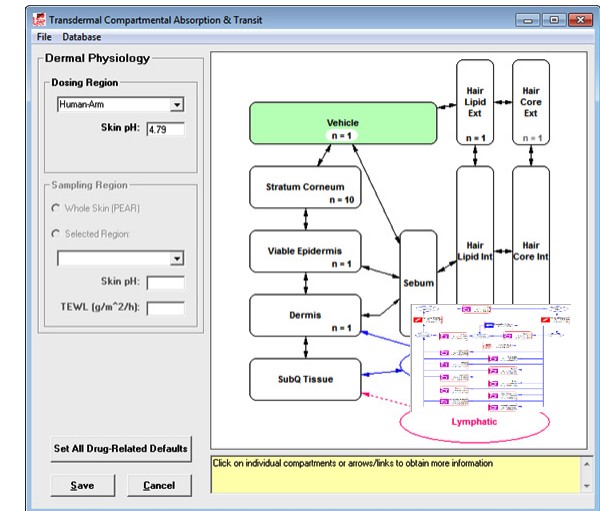
## Oral Cavity (OCCAT™)



## Pulmonary (PCAT™)



## Dermal (TCAT™)



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# Human PK Prediction

Comparison of first-in-human prediction accuracy in a 2-year study of 21 compounds (Cole et al., ISSX 2008)

## Summary of IV profile prediction accuracy

APPROACH	PROFILE			Vss		CL	
	Weighted sum of squares (RANK)	AFE	% within 2-fold error (3-fold error)	AFE	% within 2-fold error (3-fold error)	AFE	% within 2-fold error (3-fold error)
GastroPlus	-11.7 (1)	1.4	90 (100)	1.6	80 (85)		
PKSim	-6.4 (2)	1.7	70 (90)	1.6	80 (85)		
Current Pfizer Approach	-3.8 (3)	1.6	75 (85)	1.6	80 (85)		
SimCYP - hlm	5.6 (4)*	1.5	80 (95)	2.5	58 (74)		
SimCYP - rhCYP	7.8 (5)*	1.5	80 (95)	2.4	55 (65)		
ChloePK	8.5 (6)*	-	-	1.7	70 (80)		

## Summary of Oral profile prediction accuracy

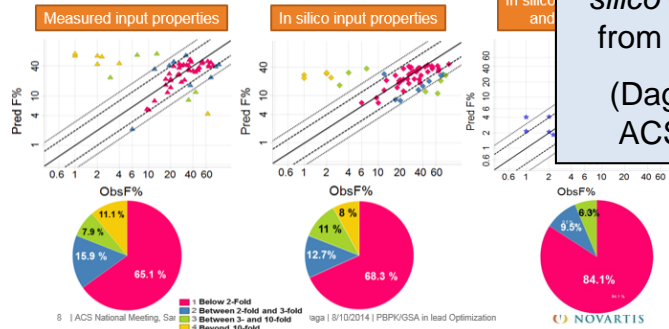
AFE → Average Fold Error

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GastroPlus	-9.8 (1)	2.7	50 (72)	2.0	67 (72)		
Current Pfizer Approach	-5.3 (2)	3.9	33 (56)	2.5	44 (61)		
SimCYP - rhCYP	-3.7 (3)	3.0	56 (67)	2.2	61 (72)		
SimCYP - hlm	5.7 (4)*	3.6	41 (53)	2.7	53 (59)		
PKSim	6.1 (5)*	4.7	22 (39)	5.0	17 (33)		
ChloePK	7.0 (6)*	2.8	39 (50)	2.4	50 (61)		

## Case Study #2: Internal kinase-“X” Inhibitor series

*In silico* inputs are adequate for GSA

- 61 compounds : Single med-chem series with experimental *in vitro* (Solubility, Caco2 permeability, Plasma Protein binding, CL<sub>int</sub>) and RAT PK data (%F, AUC, C<sub>max</sub>, T<sub>max</sub>, CL<sub>plasma</sub>, V<sub>d</sub>)



Predicting PK profiles using *in silico* estimates from structure (Daga et al., ACS 2014)

Predicting PK from *in silico* properties (Hosea et al., 2013)



## Predicting Pharmacokinetic Profiles Using *in Silico* Derived Parameters

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**ABSTRACT:** Human pharmacokinetic (PK) predictions play a critical role in assessing the quality of potential clinical candidates where the accurate estimation of clearance, volume of distribution, bioavailability, and the plasma-concentration-time profiles are the desired end points. While many methods for conducting predictions utilize *in vitro* data, predictions can be conducted successfully from *in vitro* or *in silico* data, applying modeling and simulation techniques. This approach can be facilitated using commercially available prediction software such as GastroPlus which has been reported to accurately predict the oral PK profile of small drug-like molecules. Herein, case studies are described where GastroPlus modeling and simulation was employed using *in silico* or *in vitro* data to predict PK profiles in early discovery. The results obtained demonstrate the feasibility of adequately predicting plasma-concentration-time profiles with *in silico* derived as well as *in vitro* measured parameters and hence predicting PK profiles with minimal data. The applicability of this approach can provide key information enabling decisions on either dose selection, chemistry strategy to improve compounds, or clinical protocol design, absorption and disposition profiles.

**KEYWORDS:** pharmacokinetic profiles, prediction, modeling, simulation

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## REVIEW ARTICLE

## Physiologically Based Pharmacokinetic Modelling for First-In-Human Predictions: An Updated Model Building Strategy Illustrated with Challenging Industry Case Studies

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### Abstract

Physiologically based pharmacokinetic modelling is well established as a tool for regulatory agencies for the prediction of drug–drug interactions. This modelling is valuable to address a much wider range of pharmacokinetic parameters than is currently leveraged. As one example, physiologically based pharmacokinetic modelling is already routinely used during drug discovery for *in-vitro* to *in-vivo* translation and pharmacokinetic modelling in preclinical species, and this leads to the application of verified models for first-in-human pharmacokinetic predictions. A consistent cross-industry strategy in this application area would increase confidence in the approach and facilitate further learning. With this in mind, this article aims to enhance a previously published first-in-human physiologically based pharmacokinetic model-building strategy. Based on the experience of scientists from multiple companies participating in the GastroPlus™ User Group Steering Committee, new Absorption, Distribution, Metabolism and Excretion knowledge is integrated and decision trees proposed for each essential component of a first-in-human prediction. We have reviewed many relevant scientific publications to identify new findings and highlight gaps that need to be addressed. Finally, four industry case studies for more challenging compounds illustrate and highlight key components of the strategy.

FIH predictions: Industry standards (Miller et al. Clin Pharm 2019)



Application of PBPK modeling to predict human intestinal metabolism of CYP3A substrates – An evaluation and case study using GastroPlus™

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Using *in vitro* data to predict human absorption and gut metabolism (Heikkinen et al., 2012)

This analysis supports that CYP3A mediated metabolic clearance measured in human liver microsomes can be used to predict gut wall metabolism. Using values scaled from *in vitro* cell permeability as input for effective jejunal permeability resulted in good *in vivo* prediction accuracy (no significant bias and ~95% of predictions within 2 fold from *in vivo* estimated *f<sub>g</sub>*), whereas simulations with *in silico* predicted permeability tended to overestimate gut metabolism (40% of *f<sub>g</sub>* predictions under predicted more than 2 fold) ± 2 fold range as an estimate of imprecision in metabolic clearance and permeability inputs propagated to >5 and <2 fold ranges of predicted *f<sub>g</sub>* for compounds with <30% and >75% *in vivo f<sub>g</sub>*, respectively, suggesting lower precision of predictions for high extraction compounds. Furthermore, parameter sensitivity analysis suggests that limitations in solubility or dissolution may either decrease *f<sub>g</sub>* by preventing saturation of metabolism or increase *f<sub>g</sub>* by shifting the site of absorption towards the colon where expression of CYP3A is low. The case example illustrates how, when accounting for the associated uncertainty in predicted pharmacokinetics and linking to predictive models for efficacy, PBPK modeling of intestinally metabolized compounds can support decision making in drug Research and Development.

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## Parameters for Pyrethroid Insecticide QSAR and PBPK/PD Models for Human Risk Assessment

James B. Knaak, Curtis C. Dary, Xiaofei Zhang, Robert W. Gerlach, R. Tornerio-Velez, Daniel T. Chang, Rocky Goldsmith, and Jerry N. Blancato

Applying QSAR & PBPK approaches to assist with human risk assessment (Knaak et al., 2012)

### 1 Introduction

This pyrethroid insecticide parameter reduction project was a collaborative effort between industry and academia to develop quantitative structure–activity relationship (QSAR) models for predicting human pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic (PK/PD) risks, which interest started with the insecticides (Knaak et al. 2004, 2008). The project was initiated in 2004 and 2005. The project is needed for developing prediction on the metabolic pathways of specific insecticides and humans. Parameters may be obtained by fitting the output from models to experimental data gathered from *in vivo* studies (Zhang et al. 2007; Nong et al. 2008), in conjunction with using (1) experimental data obtained from *in vitro* studies, (2) quantitative structure–activity relationships (QSAR) and (3) other mathematical models, such as the mechanistic Poulin–Theil (2000; 2002a; b) algorithms for obtaining blood:tissue partition coefficients.

# Pharmaceutical Development

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## Research Article

Theme: Leveraging BCS Classification and *in-silico* Modeling for Product Development  
Guest Editors: Divyakant Desai, John Crison, and Peter Timmins

### Application of Absorption Modeling to Predict Bioequivalence Outcome of Two Batches of Etoricoxib Tablets

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Mitra et al., AAPS PharmSciTech  
2015, 16(1):76

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### Virtual Bioequivalence Study Simulations

API Lot	PE/NPE	Dose (mg)	AUC <sub>0-∞</sub> (ng·h/mL) (N=250)		C <sub>max</sub> (ng/mL) (N=250)	
			GM	GMR (90% CI)	GM	GMR (90% CI)
Lot 5	PE	50	4180	113.3	551	139.3
Lot 1	NPE	50	3688	(110.7, 116.1)	395	(136.0, 142.0)
Lot 5	PE	100	8242	103.0	551	106.4
Lot 3	NPE	100	8001	(100.9, 105.1)	395	(104.3, 108.0)
Lot 5	PE	300	24998	101.9	3118	98.3
Lot 4	NPE	300	24525	(99.8, 104.1)	3171	(96.3, 100.0)

API: active pharmaceutical ingredient; AUC<sub>0-∞</sub>: area under the plasma concentration-time curve from time 0 to infinite time; CI: confidence interval; C<sub>max</sub>: maximum observed plasma concentration; GM: geometric mean; GMR: geometric mean ratio; NPE: non-particle-engineered; PE: particle-engineered

RESEARCH ARTICLE – Pharmacokinetics, Pharmacodynamics and Drug Transport and Metabolism

### Application of Physiologically Based Absorption Modeling for Amphetamine Salts Drug Products in Generic Drug Evaluation

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**ABSTRACT:** Amphetamine (AMP) salts-based extended-release capsules to address specific questions in development. The models were verified against set other than normal healthy subjects where BE studies macokinetics (PK) for hypothetical formulations *in vivo* relation. Finally, we demonstrated how to use the models to test sensitivity of PK metrics to the changes in formulation variables. Published 2015. This article is a U.S. Government work and is in the public domain in the USA | Pharm Sci  
**Keywords:** physiological model; absorption; bioequivalence; bioavailability; clinical trial simulation; modified release

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### Justification of Drug Product Dissolution Rate and Drug Substance Particle Size Specifications Based on Absorption PBPK Modeling for Lesinurad Immediate Release Tablets

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Pepin et al., J. Mol Pharm  
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**ABSTRACT:** *In silico* performed, to assess the *in vivo* performance for ZU dissolution profiles of lesinurad tablets generated using the quality control method were used as an input to a GastroPlus model to estimate *in vivo* dissolution in the various parts of the GI tract and predict human exposure. A model was set up, which accounts for differences of dosage form transit, dissolution, local pH in the GI tract, and fluid volumes available for dissolution. The predictive ability of the model was demonstrated by confirming that it can reproduce the C<sub>max</sub> observed for independent clinical trial drug product batches that pass the proposed dissolution specification of Q<sub>2</sub> = 80% in 3 bioequivalent to the clinical reference batch. To further explore the dissolution space, additional using a theoretical dissolution profile below the proposed specification. The GastroPlus modeling is also bioequivalent to standard clinical batches despite having a dissolution profile, which would specification of Q<sub>2</sub> = 80% in 30 min. This demonstrates that the proposed dissolution specification region of dissolution performance where bioequivalence is anticipated and is not near an edge of additional confidence to the proposed specifications. Finally, simulations were performed using a with a particle size distribution at the limit of the proposed specification for particle size. Based on it is also anticipated to be bioequivalent to clinical reference, demonstrating that the proposed specification distribution would give products bioequivalent to the pivotal clinical batches.

**KEYWORDS:** *biowaiver*, *PBPK modeling*, *dissolution*, *specifications*, *control strategy*



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### Yanez et al., SOT Annual Meeting 2015, San Diego, CA

**In-Silico Modeling: Assessing the Impact of Different Dissolution Profiles in Doxycycline Tablets (Ronaxan®): An Alternative Approach to Replace *In Vivo* Bioequivalence Studies for Regulatory Product Variations**

Jaime A. Yañez, James Fischer, Laura Lefende and James Gerhart  
Meril Inc., a Sanofi company – Drug Safety and Disposition / Pharmacokinetics and Drug Metabolism

- Doxycycline, a tetracycline antibiotic, is approved for the treatment of various bacterial infections. Changes proposed to the composition and impact the safety or efficacy of Ronaxan, a 4. Doxycycline immediate release (IR) tablets. The results helped the project team to obtain approval for the product.
- The model was built for the dog using physiological parameters. Mechanistic homogenous precipitation. Absorption and PK values were adjusted based on the dog data.
- Model in GastroPlus (Simulation Plus, Inc.)  
• **Doxycycline Form:** Immediate release (IR) tablets  
• **Species:** Physiology: Beagle dog / Food  
• **Solubility data:** Modeled using MarvinSketch (ChemAxon Ltd.)
- **Modeling results for a Change in Manufacturing Processes**  
• Original  
• Updated  
• The dissolution profile from each formulation (original and updated) at the dose levels: 20, 100 or 250 mg was fitted to a 2-factor (Itanski) model to estimate its own Z-factor  
• Next, each formulation after oral administration was simulated using the PK parameters (C<sub>max</sub> and AUC<sub>0-∞</sub>) were then compared to estimate the relative % difference between original and updated manufacturing processes.  
• The percent difference between tablets of the original and updated manufacturing processes at the different doses were found to be less than 3%, which was within the 80 and 125% range for bioequivalent tablets.

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Pharmaceutics, Drug Delivery and Pharmaceutical Technology

### The Irrelevance of *In Vitro* Dissolution in Setting Product Specifications for Drugs Like Dextromethorphan That are Subject to Lysosomal Trapping

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Virtual population pharmacokinetic using physiologically based pharmacokinetic model for evaluating bioequivalence of oral lacidipine formulations in dogs

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# Recent Services Activities

- Our consulting team is working on 17 projects to support internal review and submissions to regulatory agencies for the following applications:
  - *In silico* safety/exposure screening for new compounds and analogs
  - Preclinical development and First-in-Human predictions
  - Formulation optimization
  - Virtual bioequivalence trial simulations
  - Food effect modeling
  - DDI predictions
  - Special population simulations and dose projections
  - Mechanistic IVIVCs to define product specifications
  - Non-oral delivery product assessment
  - Parent-metabolite and prodrug PBPK modeling
- Recent approved products supported by GastroPlus modeling include:
  - ALECENSA® (absorption/PPI DDI informing drug labeling)
  - BRAFTOVI® (metabolism DDI accepted by regulatory agencies)
  - CALQUENCE® (particle size distributions specifications accepted by regulatory agencies)
  - FARYDAK® (food effect modeling predictions informing drug labeling)
  - INLYTA® (transporter DDI accepted by regulatory agencies)
  - INVOKANA® (product manufacturing changes resulting in waiver of BA/BE study)
  - MEKINIST® (transporter DDI accepted by regulatory agencies)
  - MEKTOVI® (metabolism DDI accepted by regulatory agencies)
  - OPSUMIT® (particle size distributions specifications accepted by regulatory agencies)
  - TAMIFLU® (pediatric PBPK predictions informing dose selection)
  - ZURAMPIC® (wider product specifications accepted by regulatory agencies)
  - ... and more!

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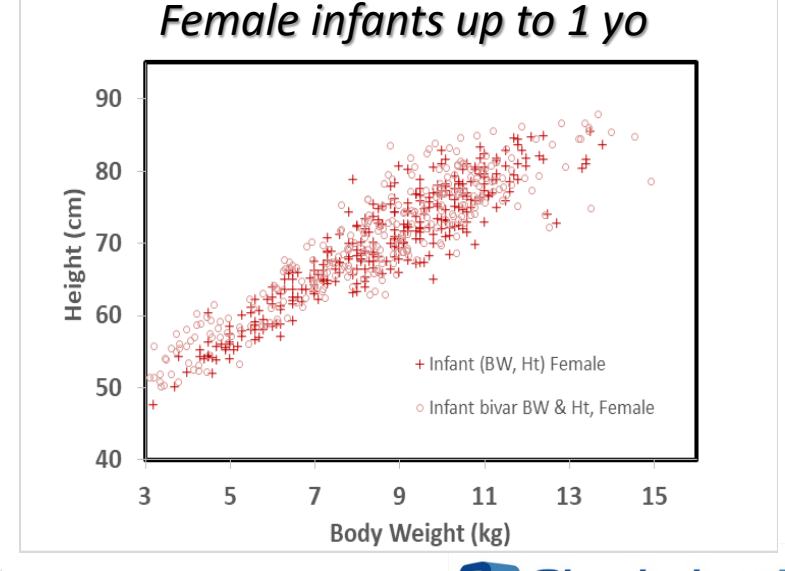
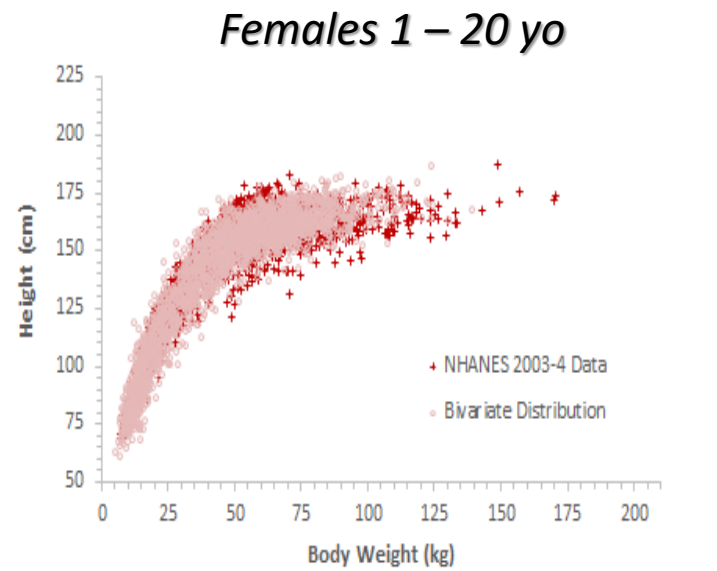
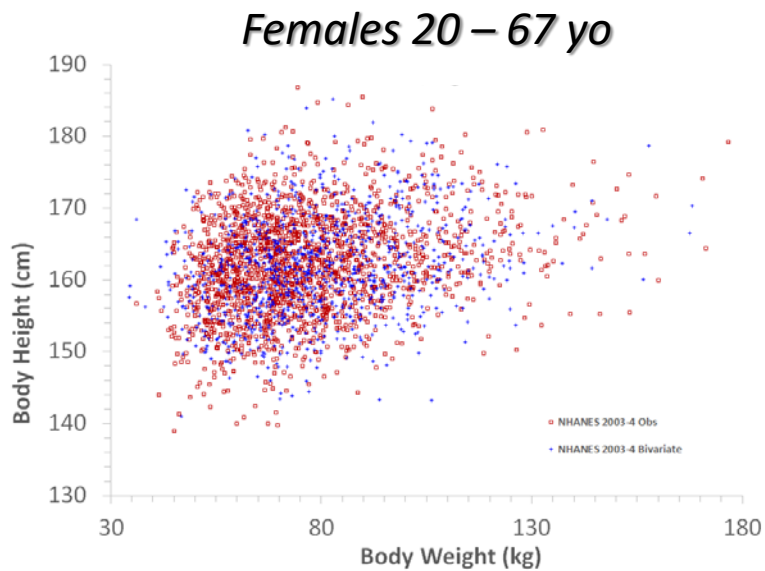
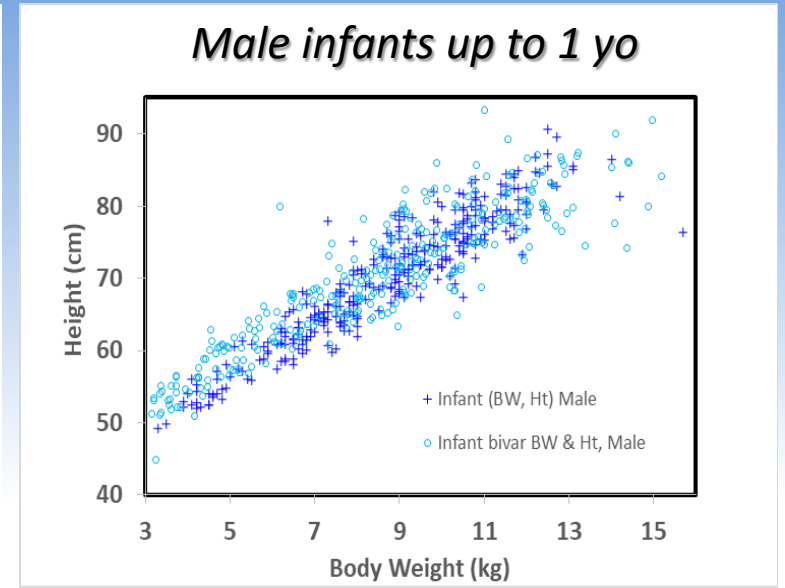
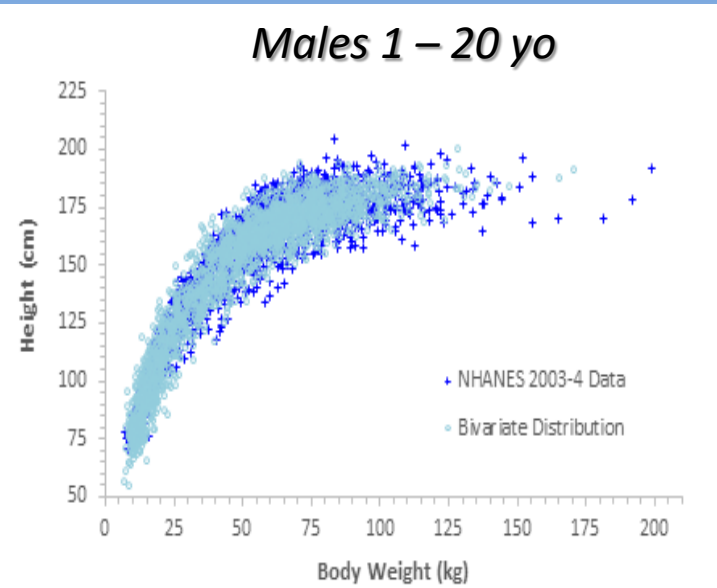
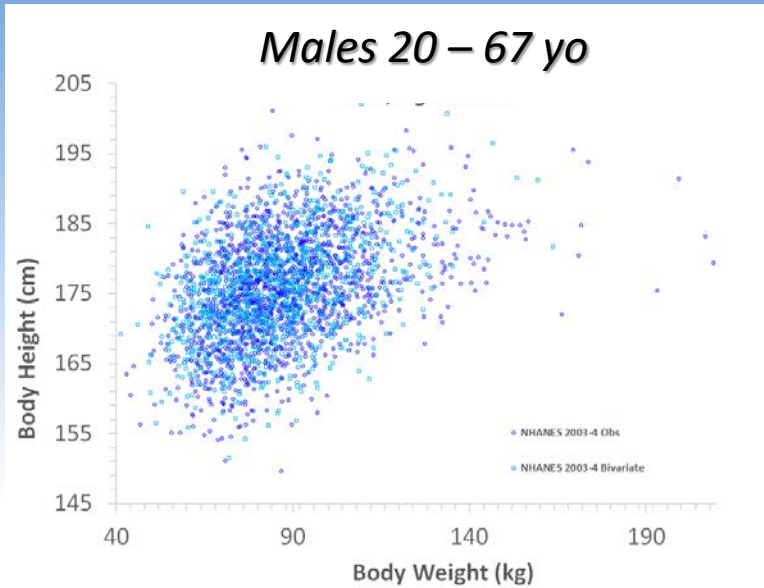
# Importance of PBPK Modeling in Special Populations

- Unwarranted studies, due to the general nature of regulatory guidelines, may be avoided.
- Alleviation of the ethical problems and recruitment issues associated with clinical studies in children or subjects with more severe impairment of organs.
- Modeling helps to plan and optimize study design.
- Model simulations help to predict likely outcome in the disease population.
- Current built-in physiologies for special populations include: Pediatric, Liver Cirrhosis, Renal Impairment, Obesity, Pregnancy
- The flexibility of GastroPlus, and access to all physiological parameters, allows the user to create custom physiologies representing many conditions with an understanding of the appropriate changes.
- We're pleased to help users create custom gut (.cat) and the whole body physiology (.pbk) files that incorporate physiological changes relevant for specific population

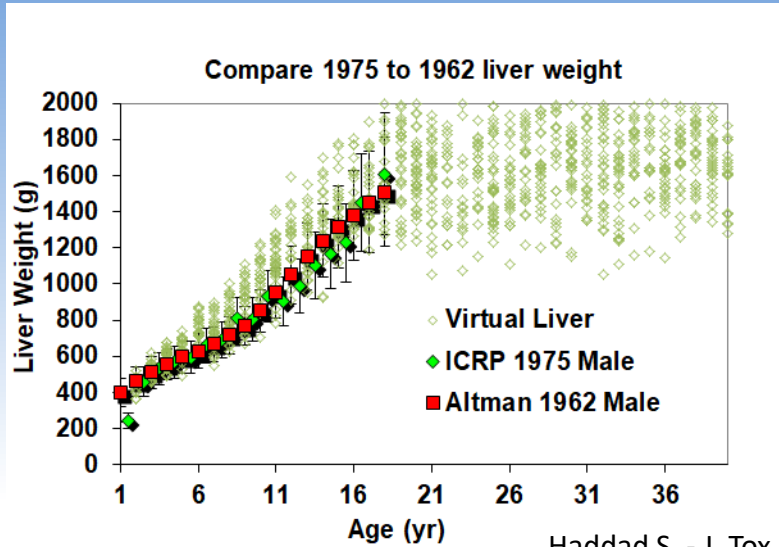


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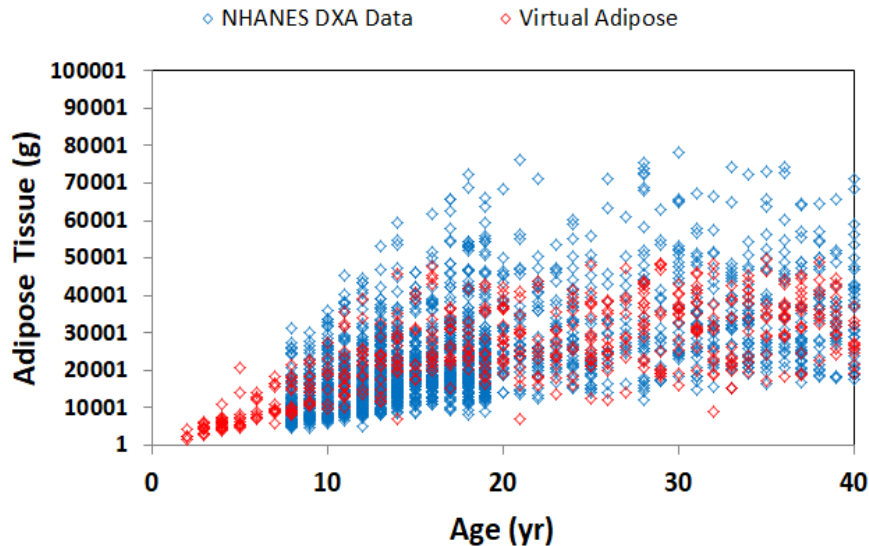
# Virtual Population



# Children & Adults: Tissue Sizes and Blood Flows



Haddad S. - J. Tox. Envir. Health 64:453 (2001)  
for ages <= 12



Houtkooper, LB, J. Appl. Physiol. 72:366 (1992)  
Segal, KR, Am. J. Clin. Nutrition 47(1):7 (1988)  
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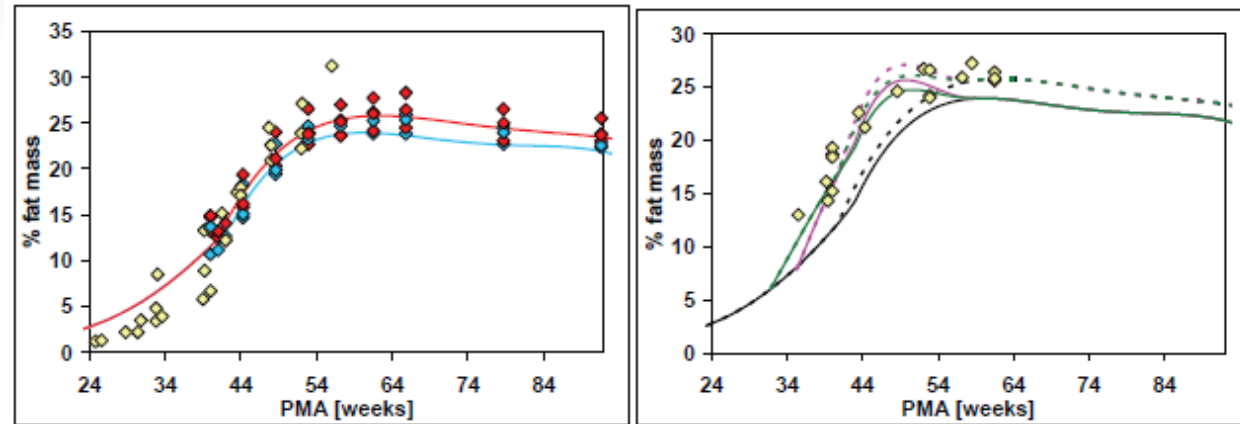
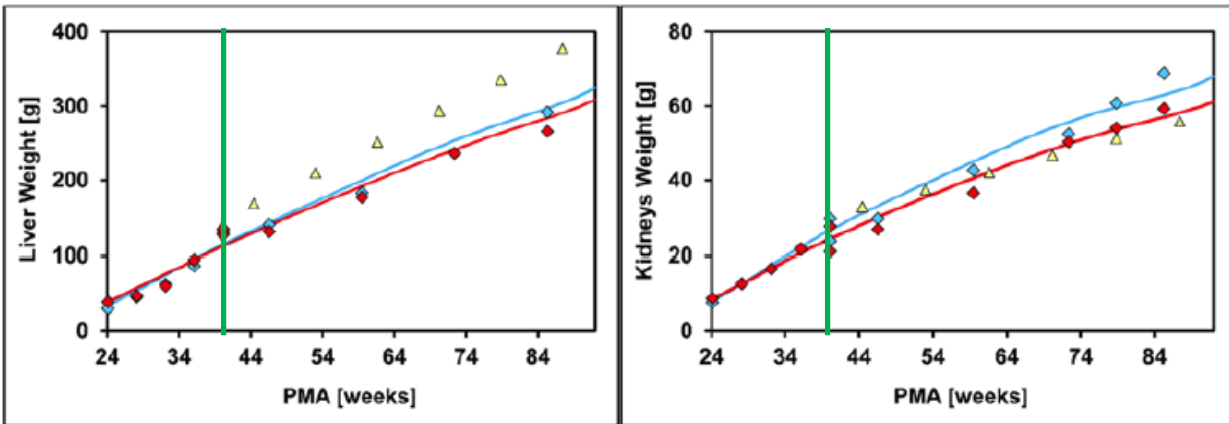
Organ	Cowles et al., 1971	Fiserova-Bergerova and Hughes (1983)	KAPKR (Williams and Legett, 1989)		Values Used in This Project	
	Male and Female	Male	Male	Female	Male	Female
Thyroid	5.00	3.57	-	-	5.00	5.00
Kidneys	3.96	3.96	3.68	3.22	3.68	3.22
Heart	0.806	0.81	0.73	0.96	0.73	0.96
Brain	0.529	0.53	0.51	0.52	0.51	0.52
Splanchnic Tissues	0.038	-	-	-	-	-
Liver	-	0.58	0.84	1	0.84	1.00
Pancreas	-	-	0.6	0.61	0.60	0.61
Spleen	-	-	1	1.04	1.00	1.04
GI Organs	-	0.37	0.75	0.78	0.75	0.78
Skin	0.057	0.09	0.12	0.15	0.12	0.15
Muscle	0.0212	0.05	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
Skeleton	-	-	0.03	0.03	-	-
Red Marrow	0.399	-	-	-	0.30	0.30
Yellow Marrow	0.028	0.03	-	-	0.03	0.03
Bone tissue	-	0.01	-	-	-	-
Adipose Tissue	0.0241	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.03

Price, P.S. Crit. Rev. Toxicol. 33(5):469 (2003), Table 16

# Infants: Tissue Sizes

For some parameters, the total age (gestational age + postnatal age) is the determining factor. Total body weight, height and tissue sizes for most of the tissues (except adipose) belong to this category. Example plots for two of the tissues, Liver and Kidneys, are shown below:

Gestational age is more important factor for % fat mass in infants



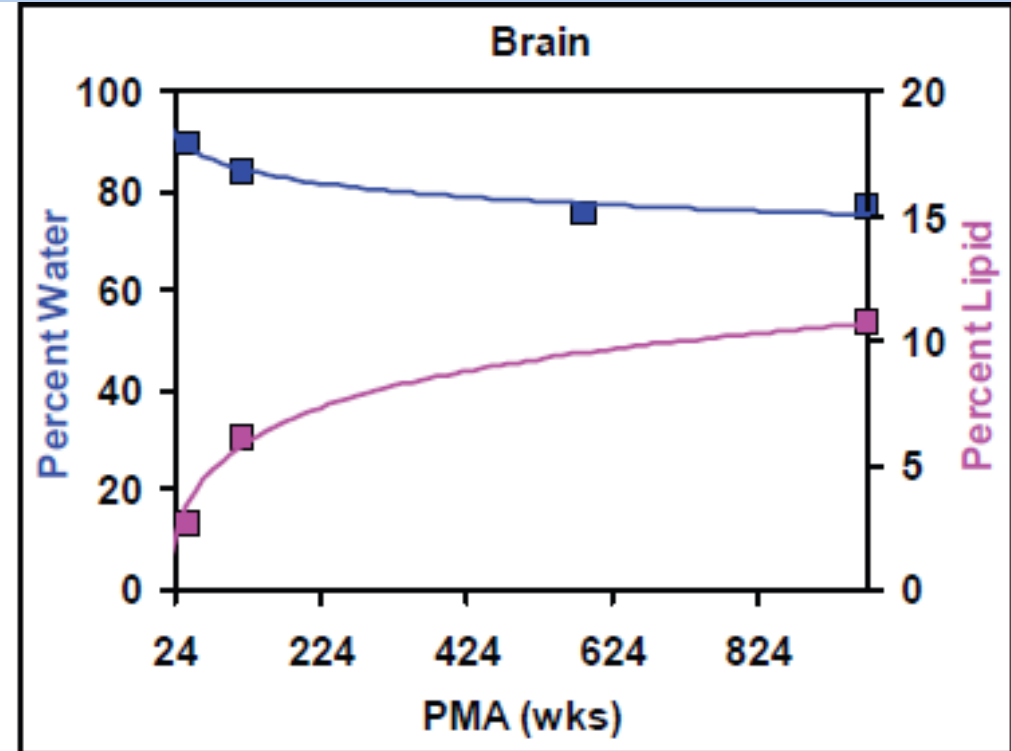
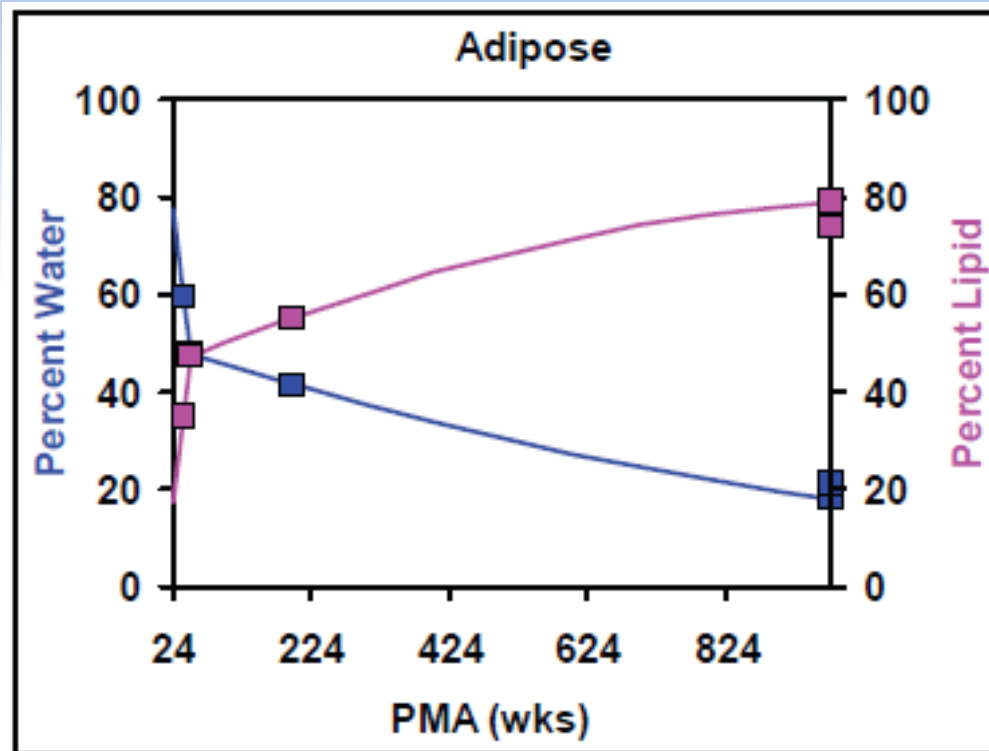
Black lines – representative of term-born infants

blue – males; red – females; green line shows term birth at 40 weeks gestation  
PMA – postmenstrual age (gestational + postnatal age)

blue – males; red – females; yellow – gender not defined  
PMA – postmenstrual age (gestational + postnatal age)

# Age Dependent Tissue Composition

Effect of age on tissue compositions is included. Example plots for two of the tissues, Adipose and Brain, are shown below:

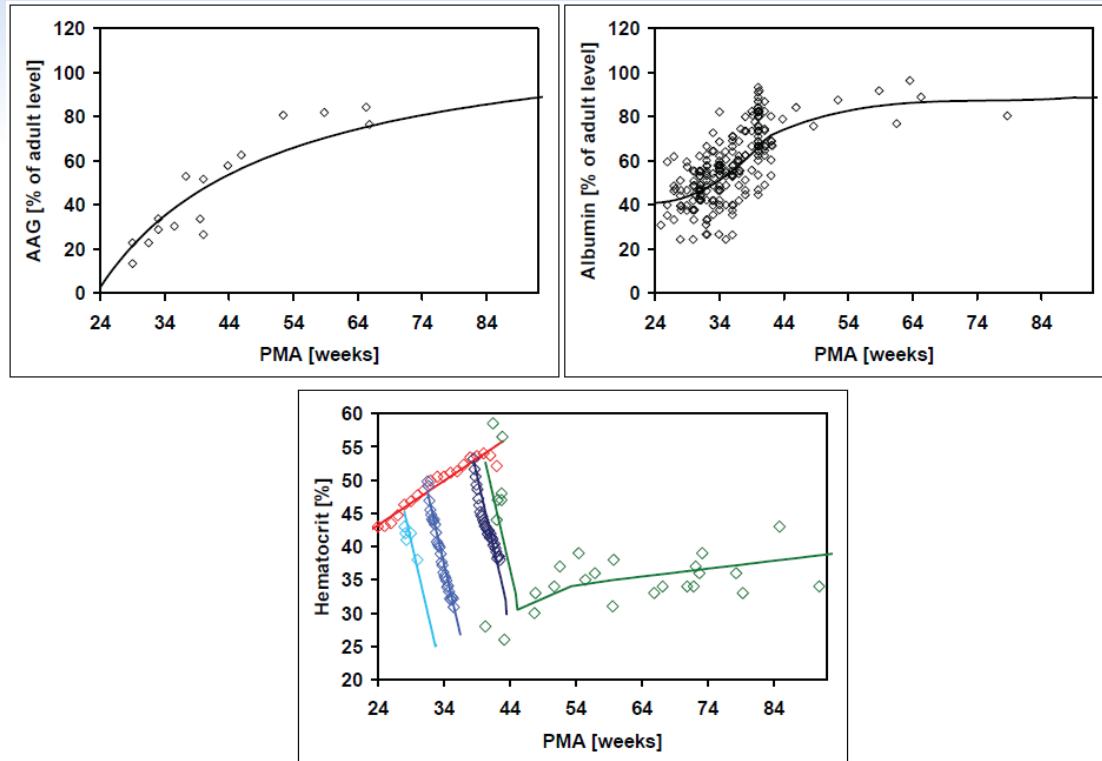


PMA – postmenstrual age (gestational + postnatal age)



# Red Blood Cell and Plasma Protein Binding

- Includes automatic scaling of Fup and Rbp to account for different hematocrit and plasma protein levels in children than in adults (scaling assumes that entered experimental values represent adult blood and plasma)
- Details of scaling can be reviewed on separate forms



**PBPK: Pediatric Fup and Rbp Scaling**

Blood/Plasma Concentration Ratio (Rbp) and Plasma Fup values adjusted for hematocrit and amount of plasma protein in current physiology. The conversion assumes that entered Rbp and Experimental Fup values represent adult blood and plasma.

	Adult	3 wks old
Hematocrit:	0.45	0.43273
Blood/Plasma Conc Ratio:	0.75	0.75959
Plasma Protein (% of adult):	100	63.068
Plasma Fup (%):	9	13.556
Adjusted Plasma Fup (%):	8.8323	13.179

Close

**GastroPlus(TM): GastDemo0.mdb (C:\Doc..\Viera1\Des..\GPv..\GP8.**

File Edit Database Simulation Setup Controlled Release Tools Modules (Optional)

Compound: Gut Physiology-Hum Pharmacokinetics

**PK Parameters**

New PBPK Edit PBPK PK Model: HumAmeMal2wks3wksPrem\_2.92kg Body Weight (kg): 2.92

FPE (if fixed) [%]: Oral: 0 Intestinal: 0 Liver: 61.84

Blood/plasma Conc Ratio: 0.75

Scale Pediatric Fup & Rbp  Use Exp Plasma Fup [%]: 9  Use Adj Plasma Fup [%]: 13.179

**PBPK Summary**

Tissue	Kp	CL	CLint	Fut
Hepatic Artery	0.00	0.000	0.000	0.000
Lung	4.21	0.000	0.000	0.100
Arterial Supply	0.00	0.000	0.000	0.000
Venous Return	0.00	0.000	0.000	0.000
Adipose	0.71	0.000	0.000	0.186
Muscle	1.83	0.000	0.000	0.216
Liver	4.99	0.000	0.000	0.087
ACAT Gut	0.00	0.000	0.000	0.000
Spleen	3.49	0.000	0.000	0.120
Heart	2.49	0.000	0.000	0.162

CLsys (L/h): 0.000 Vss (L): 4.631 Thalf (h) 0.000

Calc Kps: Perf: Rodgers-Sing; Perm: Poulin-ext S+ Fut;

Biorelevant solubilities from ADMET Predictor v6.1

pKa Table | logD: Struct-6.1 | Diss Model: Johnson | PartSize-Sol: ON | BileSalt-Sol

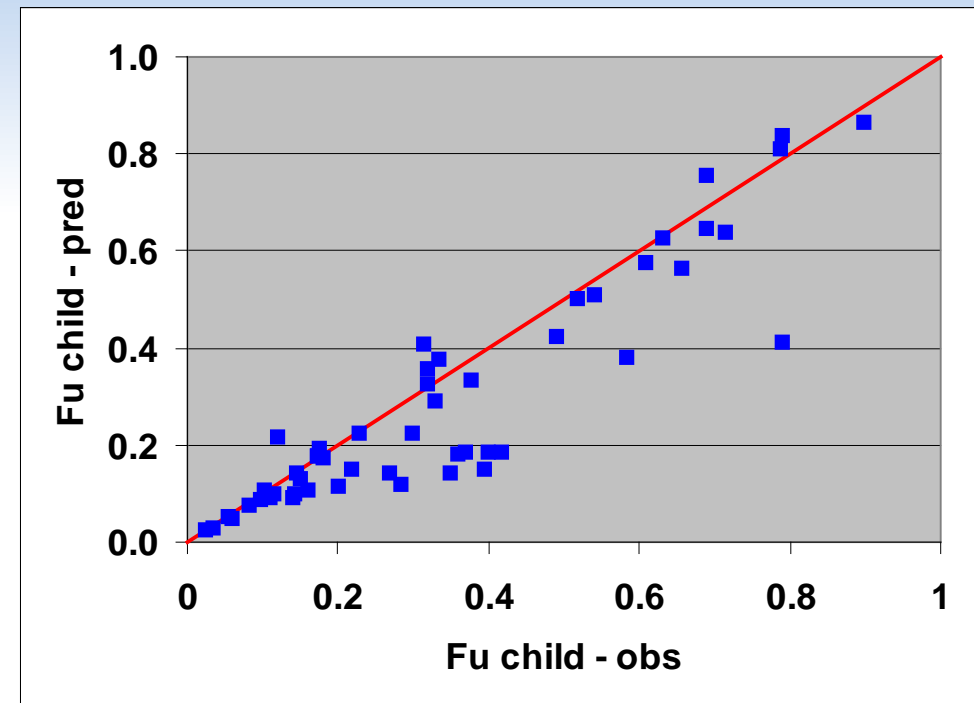
# Scaling Pediatric Fup

Fup scaling is based on changes in total plasma protein (albumin and  $\alpha_1$ -acid glycoprotein) using previously published equation

(McNamara, AAPS PharmSci, 2002, E4)

$$fu_{ped} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{P_{ped}}{P_{adult}} \frac{(1 - fu_{adult})}{fu_{adult}}}$$

$P_{ped}$  and  $P_{adult}$  is binding protein concentration in pediatric and adult subject, respectively;  $fu_{ped}$  and  $fu_{adult}$  is fraction unbound in plasma in pediatric and adult subject, respectively.



Pediatric  $fup$  observed and predicted from published equation using pediatric plasma protein level as implemented in GastroPlus.

Reported values were for ages 1 day to ~ 4 months.

# CYP Enzyme Ontogeny

Tissue Parameters for: Liver **2 days old**

Basic Advanced **Enzymes** Transporters

Enzyme	Expression (mg-enz/g-tissue)	Expression CV (%)	Turnover rate [1/min]	Expression Source/Type
2C19	6.99E-03	106	0.0005	
2D6	1.49E-03	61	0.0005	
2E1	1.70E-02	61	0.0005	
3A4	2.61E-03	119	0.0005	
3A5	1.03E-03	119	0.0005	
3A7	3.35E-01	67	0.0005	

Set Defaults Add Enzyme Delete Enzyme

Save

Tissue Parameters for: Liver **6 months old**

Basic Advanced **Enzymes** Transporters

Enzyme	Expression (mg-enz/g-tissue)	Expression CV (%)	Turnover rate [1/min]	Expression Source/Type
2C19	1.50E-02	106	0.0005	Default Pediatric
2D6	1.50E-02	61	0.0005	Default Pediatric
2E1	5.40E-02	61	0.0005	Default Pediatric
3A4	1.51E-01	119	0.0005	Default Pediatric
3A5	6.00E-02	119		
3A7	1.27E-01	67		

Set Defaults Add Enzyme Delete Enzyme

Tissue Parameters for: Liver **1 year old**

Basic Advanced **Enzymes** Transporters

Enzyme	Expression (mg-enz/g-tissue)	Expression CV (%)	Turnover rate [1/min]	Expression Source/Type
2C19	2.00E-02	106	0.0005	Default Pediatric
2D6	1.60E-02	61	0.0005	Default Pediatric
2E1	6.40E-02	61	0.0005	Default Pediatric
3A4	1.92E-01	119	0.0005	Default Pediatric
3A5	7.60E-02	119	0.0005	Default Pediatric
3A7	7.00E-02	67	0.0005	Default Pediatric

Set Defaults Add Enzyme Delete Enzyme

Save Cancel

# CYP Enzyme Ontogeny

Tissue Parameters for Liver **5 years old**

Basic Advanced **Enzymes** Transporters

Enzyme	Expression (mg-enz/g-tissue)	Expression CV (%)	Turnover rate [1/min]	Expression Source/Type
2C19	2.80E-02	106	0.0005	Default Pediatric
2D6	1.70E-02	61	0.0005	Default Pediatric
2E1	9.30E-02	61	0.0005	Default Pediatric
3A4	2.39E-01	119	0.0005	Default Pediatric
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3A7	4.11E-03	67	0.0005	Default Pediatric

Set Defaults Add Enzyme Delete Enzyme

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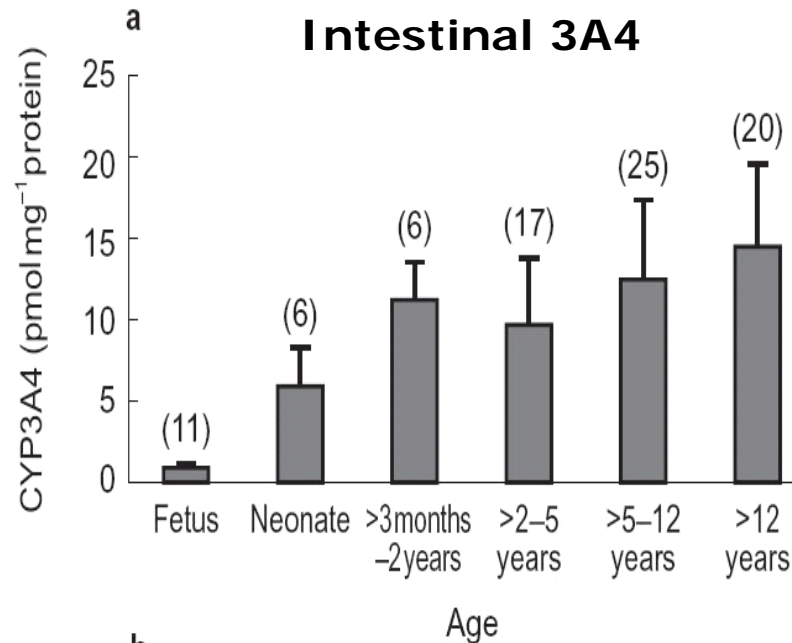
Tissue Parameters for Liver **adult**

Basic Advanced **Enzymes** Transporters

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3A5	9.50E-02	119	0.0005	Default Adult
3A4/5	3.37E-01	67	0.0005	Default Adult

Set Defaults Add Enzyme Delete Enzyme

Save Cancel



# PEAR Physiology: Method

All information is already included in GastroPlus PEAR Physiology module ... very easy to create the new pediatric physiologies!

For infants specify born **at term** or **premature** infant (up to 16 weeks premature)

*(this option appears only when age is set to less than 1 year old)*

Some physiological parameters are dependent on both gestational age and postnatal age (i.e., % body fat, hematocrit, GFR).

The screenshot shows the 'New PEAR Physiology' dialog box. On the left, the 'PEAR Inputs' section includes dropdown menus for Species (Human), Population (American), Gender (Male), and Health Status (Healthy). Below these are fields for Age (3 weeks) and Born (radio buttons for 'at term (40-week gestation)' and 'premature 2 weeks'). Further down are input fields for Height (51.02 cm), Weight (3.84 kg), BMI (14.752 kg/m<sup>2</sup>), % Body Fat (13.04), and CO (14.9422 mL/s). On the right, the 'PEAR Outputs' section features a table with columns for Name, Volume [mL], and Perfusion [mL/s]. Below the table, it shows 'Non-perfused bone [g]: 216.525 (% BW: 5.639)'. At the bottom, there is a yellow reminder box and 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons.

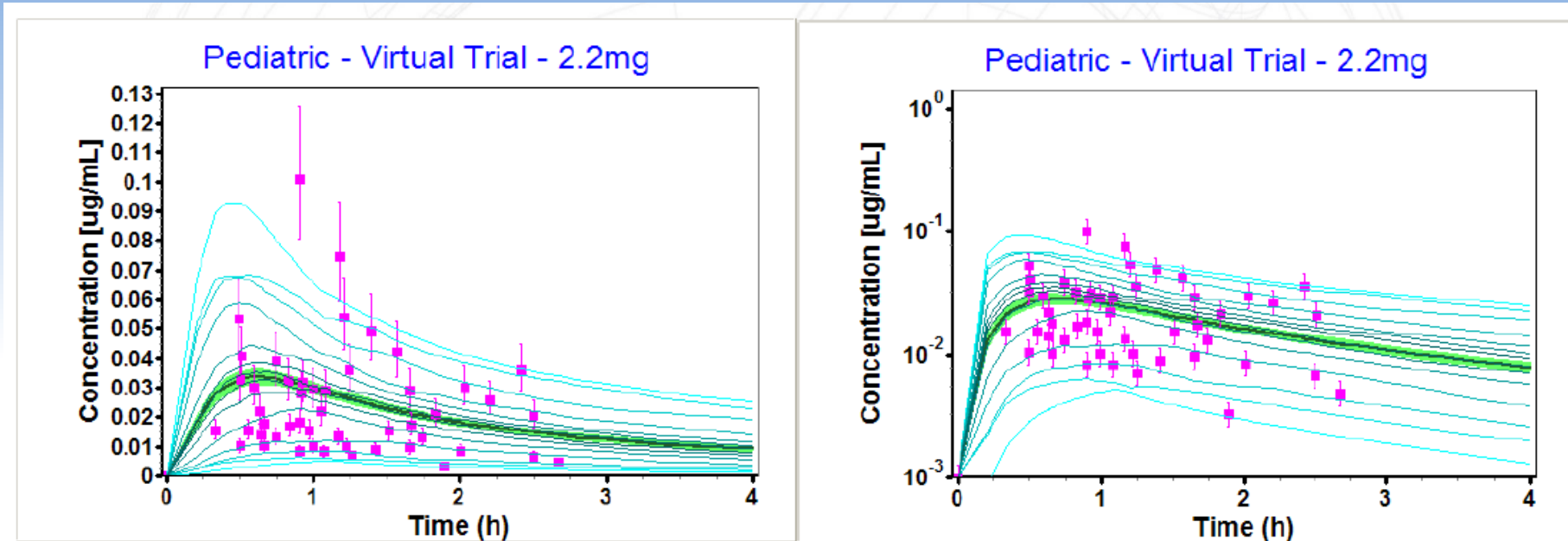
Name	Volume [mL]	Perfusion [mL/s]
Hepatic Artery	0.0000	1.3186
Lung	61.9206	14.9422
Arterial Supply	87.0817	14.9422
Venous Return	174.1633	14.9422
Adipose	1410.3633	0.7743
Muscle	612.3403	0.5040
Liver	119.3324	3.0077
ACAT Gut	0.0000	1.3764
Spleen	11.3943	0.3126
Heart	20.8826	0.4183
Brain	436.1695	6.1033
Kidney	28.2311	2.8505
Skin	149.4319	0.4921
ReproOrg	1.9426	0.0112
RedMarrow	41.4758	0.3414
YellowMarrow	0.9064	0.0007
RestOfBody	533.1361	0.4388

Non-perfused bone [g]: 216.525 (% BW: 5.639)

Reminder: Adipose tissue in infants and young children still has significant water content (55.68% in this physiology) so, unlike in adults, the size of the Adipose tissue does not represent well the % body fat



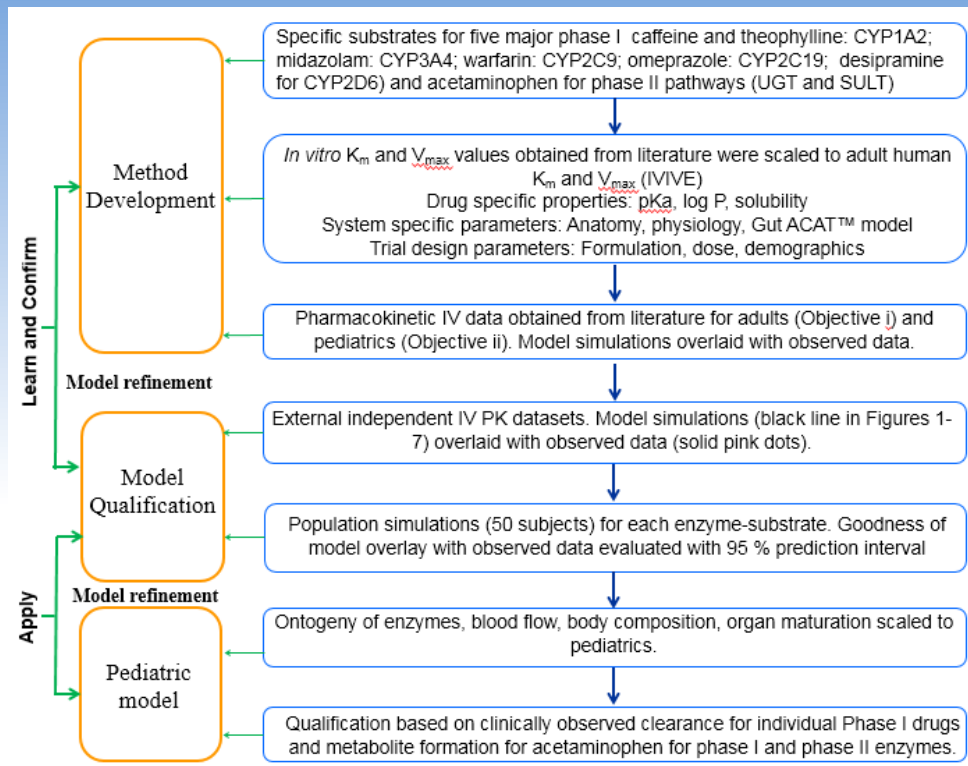
# Pediatric CL - Midazolam



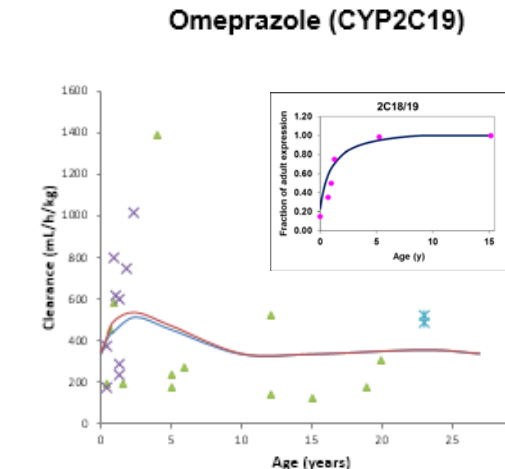
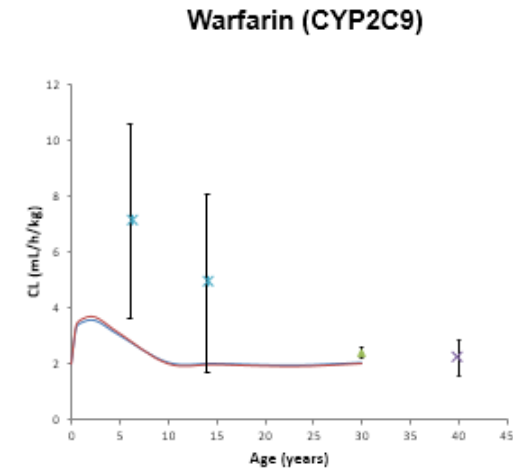
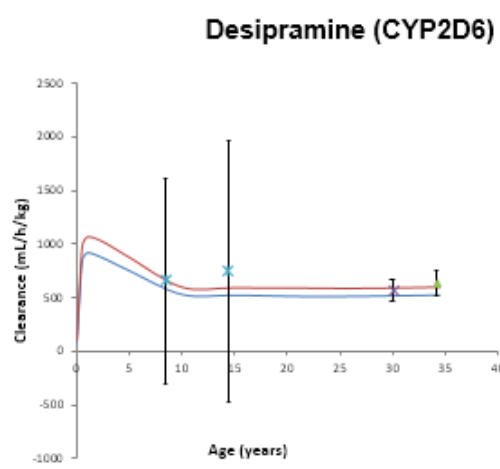
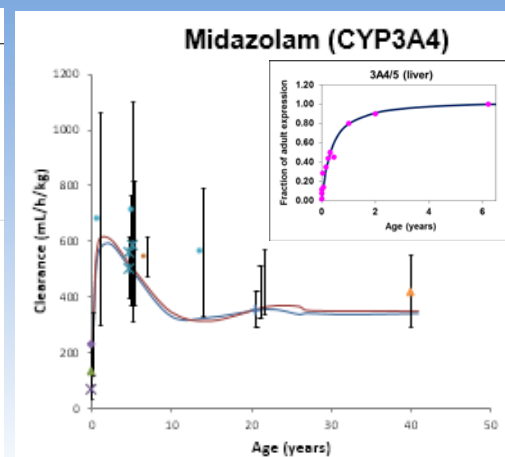
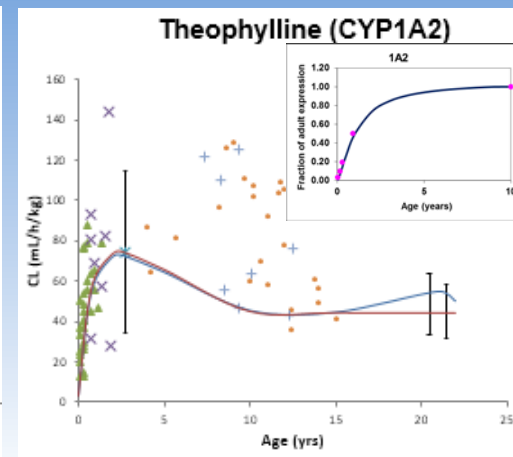
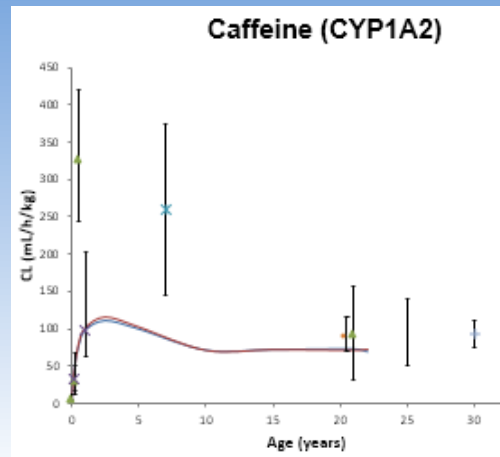
This is a prediction of pediatric population using *in vitro*, *in silico* and adult *in vivo* data and known differences in adult and pediatric physiology. The model was not fitted to pediatric data.

Lukacova – Workshop on Modeling in Pediatric Medicines, 2008

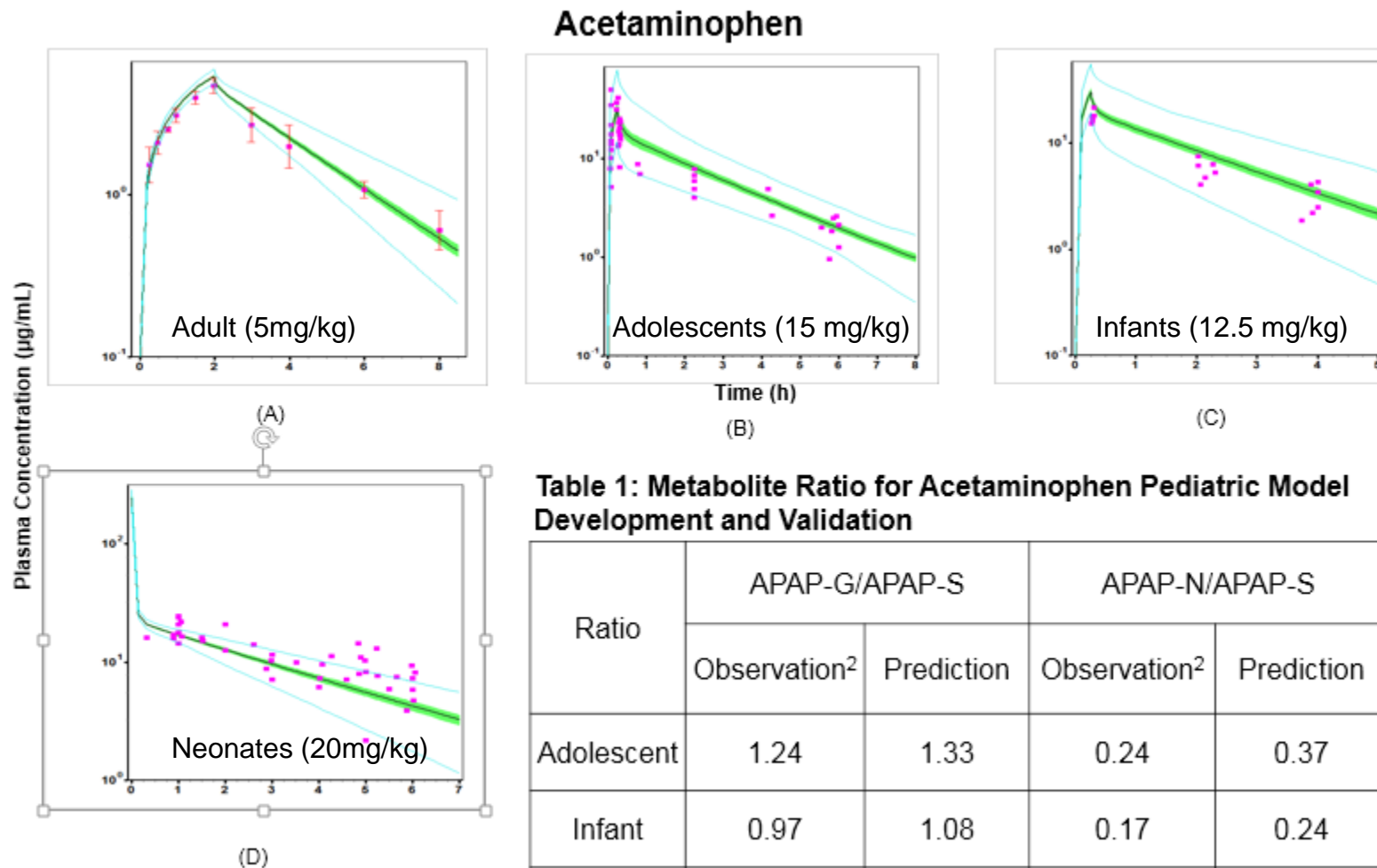
# Pediatric CL – metabolism by CYPs



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UNIVERSITY of FLORIDA



# Pediatric CL – Acetaminophen



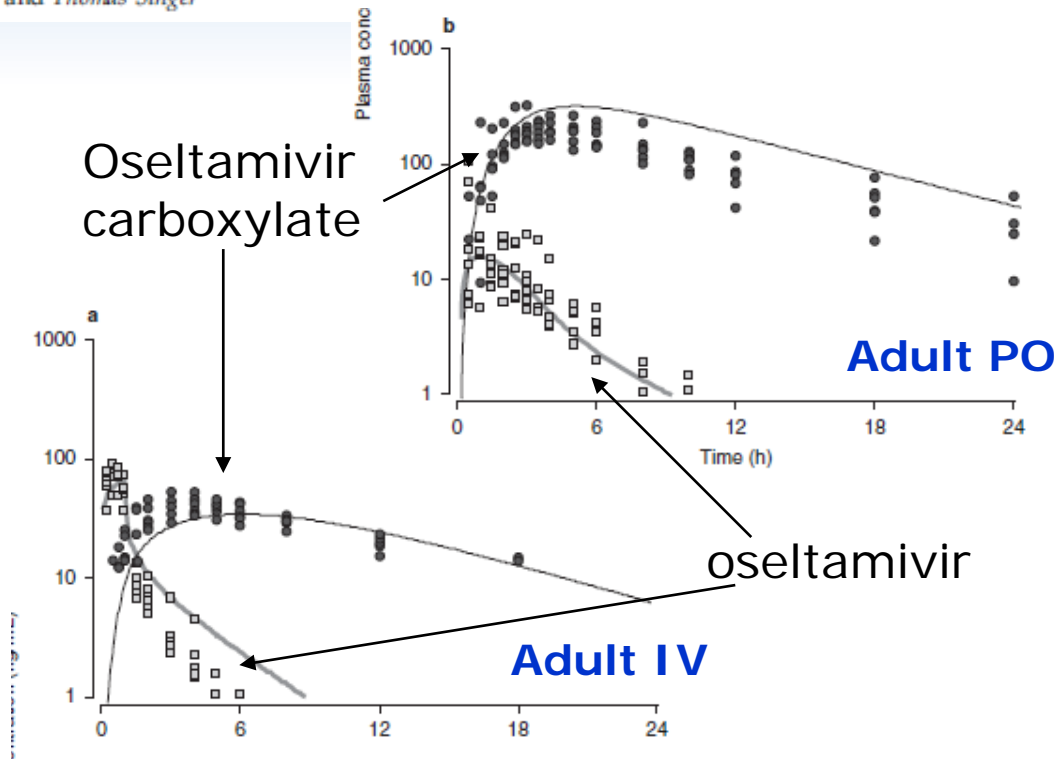
# Non-CYP Mediated CL

ORIGINAL RESEARCH ARTICLE

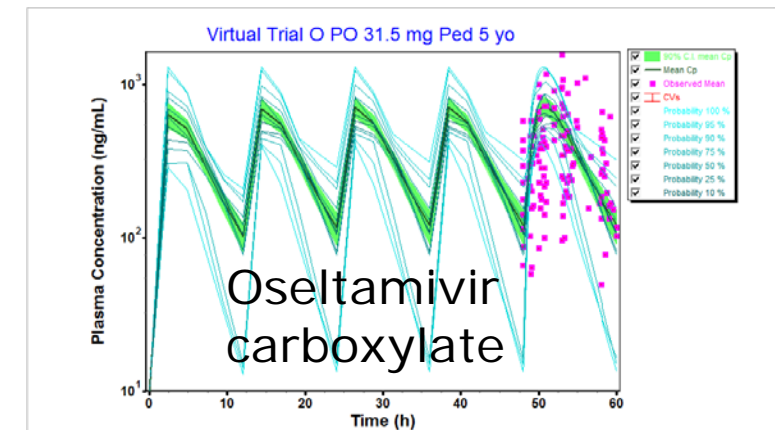
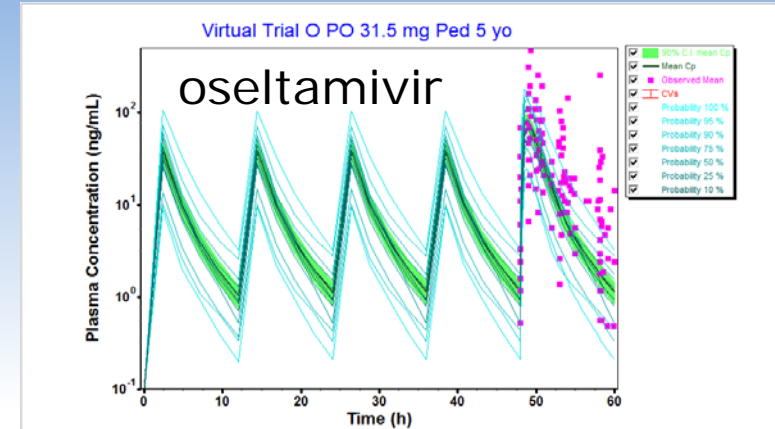
Clin Pharmacokinet 2011; 50 (9): 1-11  
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## Development of a Physiologically Based Model for Oseltamivir and Simulation of Pharmacokinetics in Neonates and Infants

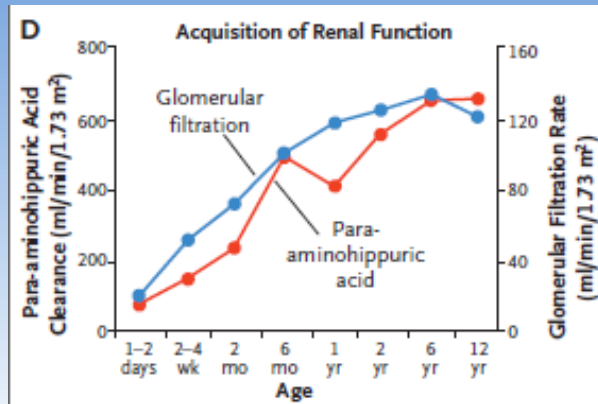
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## Pediatric PO



# Glomerular Filtration



Kearns – New Engl J Med 2003, 349:1157

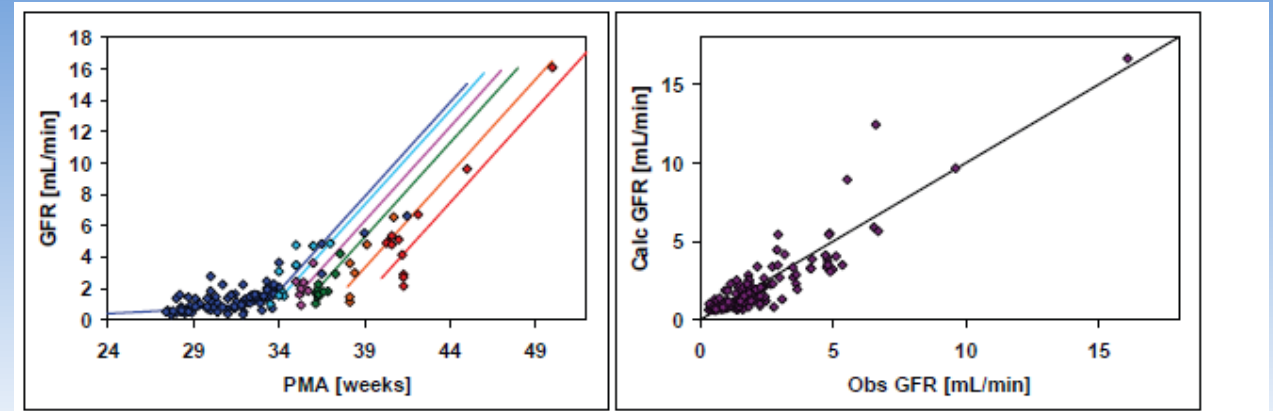
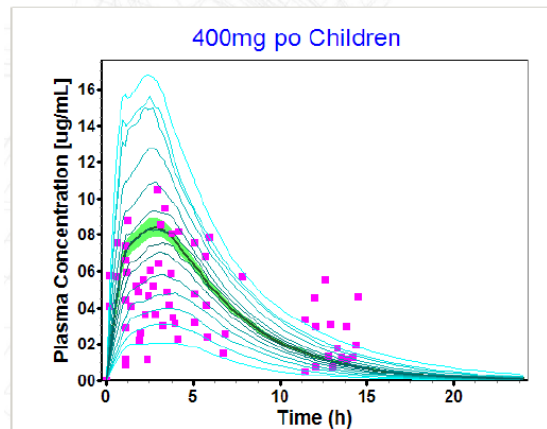


Figure 4-28: Plot of GFR vs post-menstrual age (PMA) for neonates up to 12 weeks old (left) and born after 27-33 (dark blue), 34 (light blue), 35 (magenta), 36 (green), 38 (orange) and 40 (red) weeks of gestation (left) and plot of calculated vs observed GFR for the same data (right). Points represent experimental data (Arant 1978, Coulthard 1985, DeWoskin 2008, Fawer 1979) lines show GFR calculated in GastroPlus.

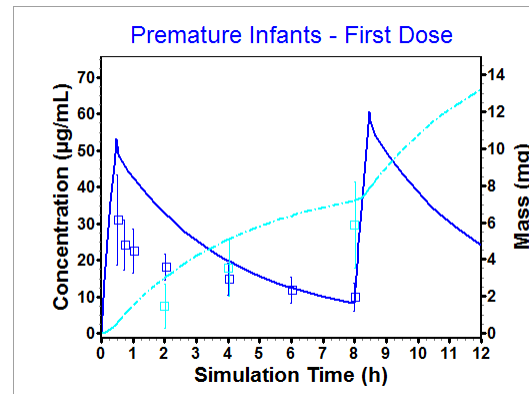
Prediction of gabapentin PK in pediatric population based on fitted adult model and known differences in adult and pediatric physiology



400 mg tablet, 7 yo children

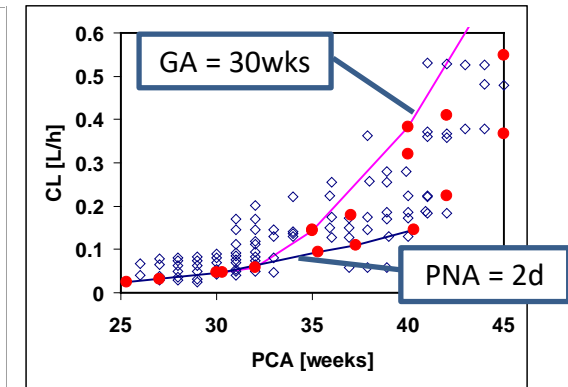
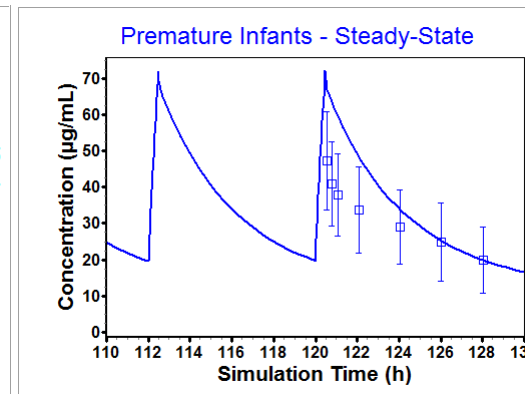
Lukacova – Workshop on Modeling in Pediatric Medicines, 2008

Prediction of vancomycin PK and clearance in infants population based on fitted adult model and known differences in adult and pediatric physiology



20 days old, born 12 weeks premature

Lukacova – Poster presentation, AAPS 2015

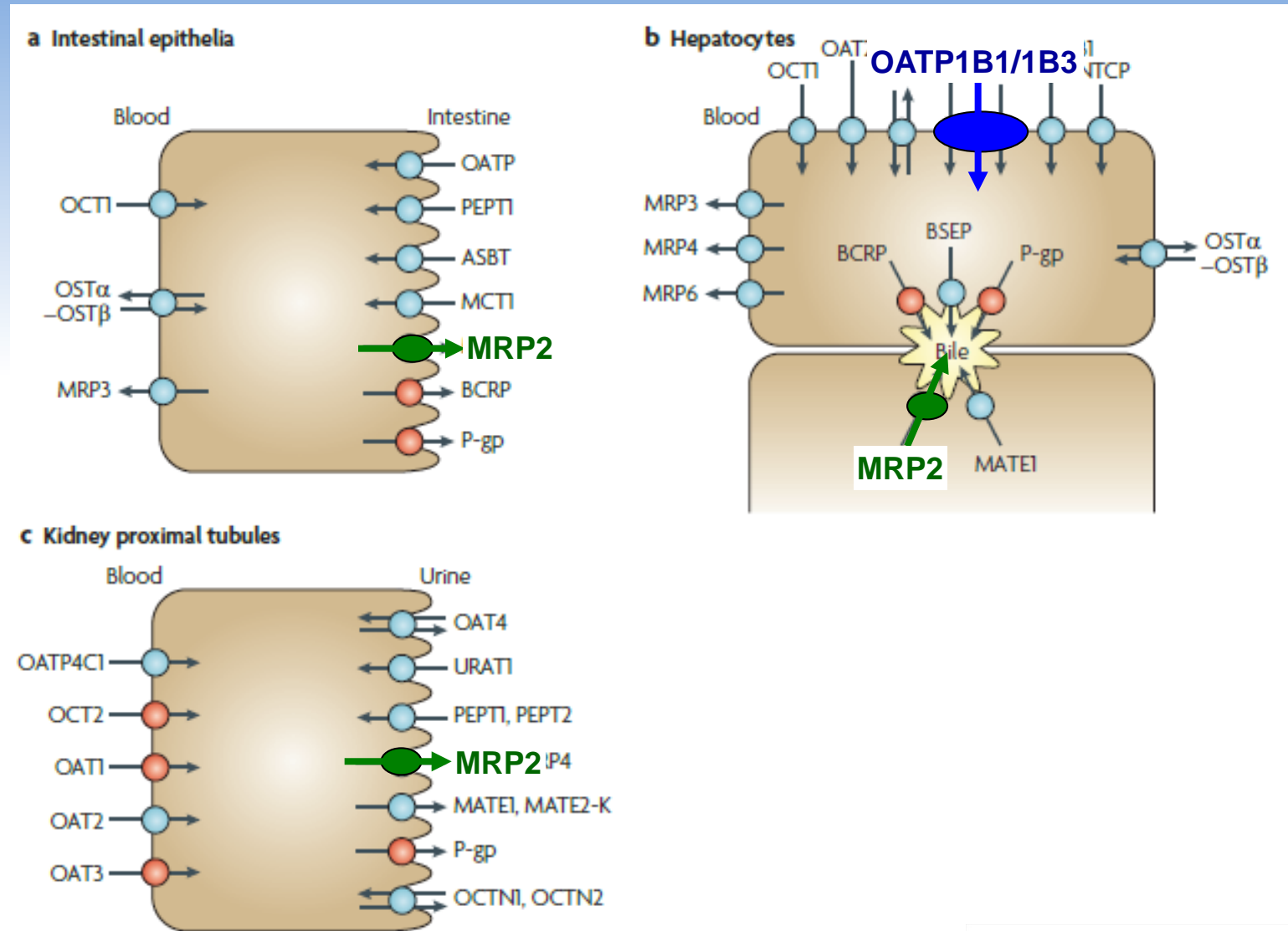


Blue dots – PopPK, red dots - PBPK



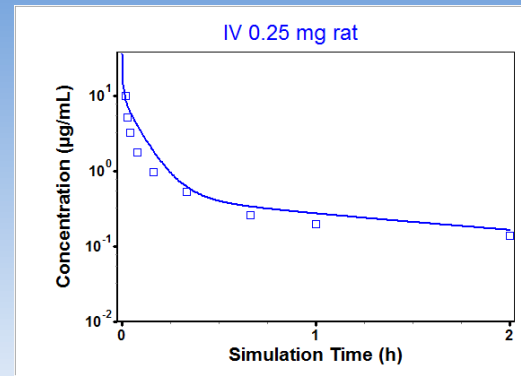
# Transporter-Mediated CL: Valsartan

- Transporter-mediated hepatic uptake and biliary secretion
- Substrate for:
  - OATP1B1/1B3 in liver
  - MRP2 – efflux transporter expressed on apical kidney membrane and basolateral membranes in liver, gut and brain
- *in vivo* data available in rat and human (adult and pediatric 1-16 years old)

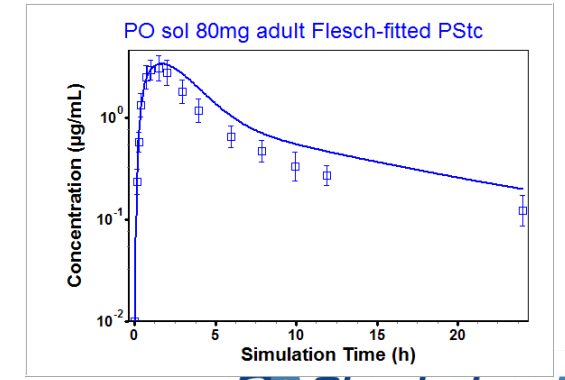
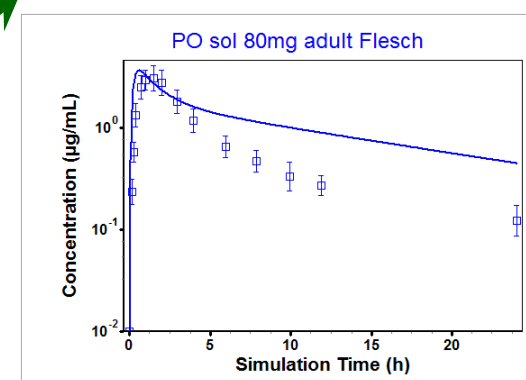
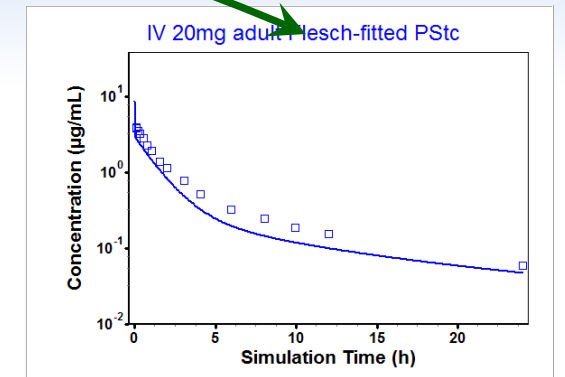
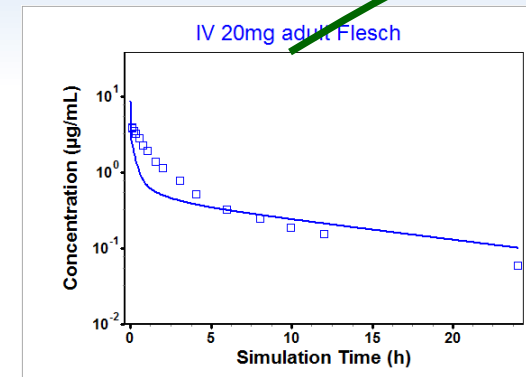


# Valsartan : Calibrate Adult PBPK Model

1. Predicted rat IV using *in vitro* data measured in rat hepatocytes
2. Predicted human IV using *in vitro* data measured in human hepatocytes
3. Refined adult PBPK model
4. Used refined adult PBPK model to predict the PK in children



Refine adult model:  
- fitted passive diffusion through tissue membranes and intestinal permeability



Hepatocytes transport data<sup>a</sup>      Wistar rats (n = 3)      Cryopreserved human hepatocytes lot 77  
Mean ± SD      Mean ± SD

Uptake from plasma (in vitro data)

	Wistar rats (n = 3) Mean ± SD	Cryopreserved human hepatocytes lot 77 Mean ± SD
$K_{ml,u}$ (µM)	28.4 ± 3.7	44.4 ± 14.6
(mg/l eq. µg/ml)	12.4 ± 1.6	19.3 ± 6.4
$V_{max1}$ (pmol/mg/min)	1318 ± 176	304 ± 85
$J_{max1}$ (mg/s)	0.0126 ± 0.0017	0.241 ± 0.067
$P_{dif}$ (µl/mg/min)	1.21 ± 0.42	0.724 ± 0.271
$PS_{TC}$ (ml/s)	0.0266 ± 0.0092	1.32 ± 0.49
$f_b$ (%)	0.394 ± 0.171	0.417 ± 0.226

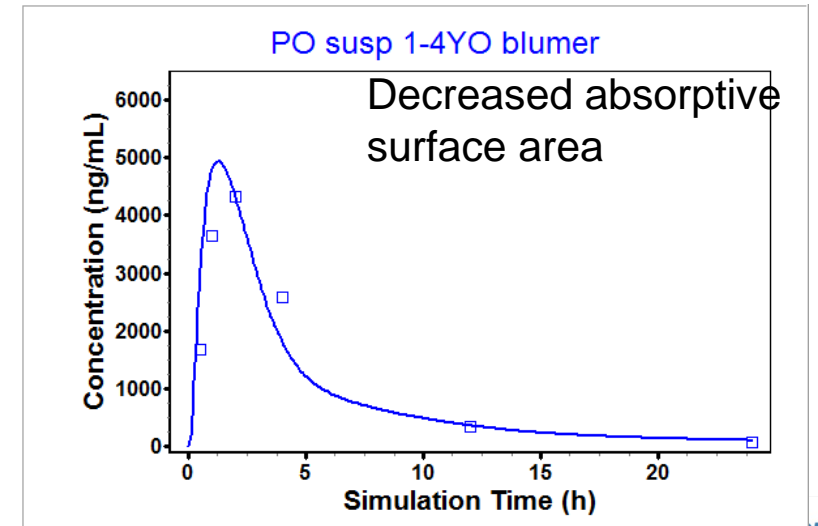
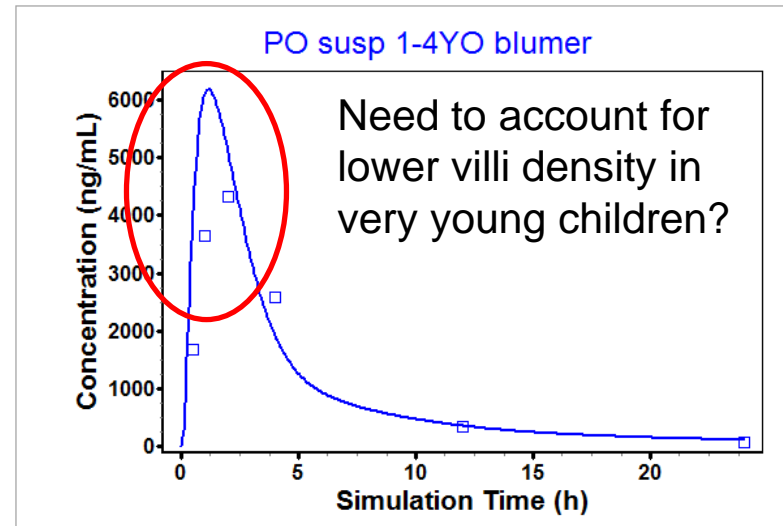
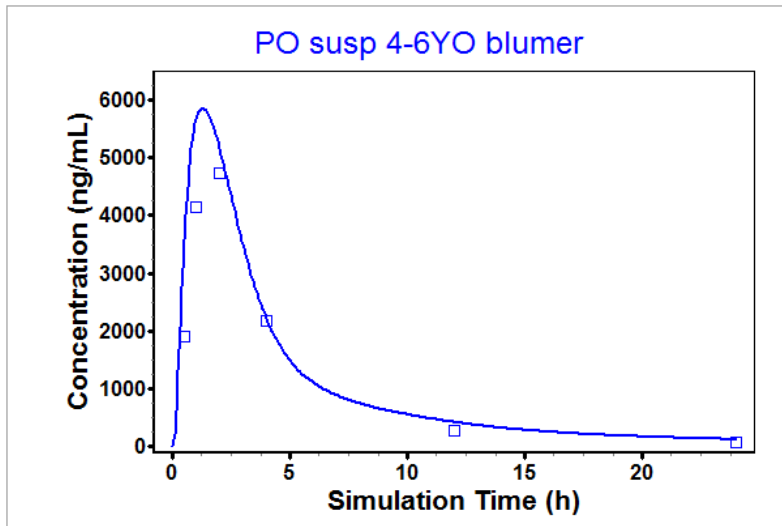
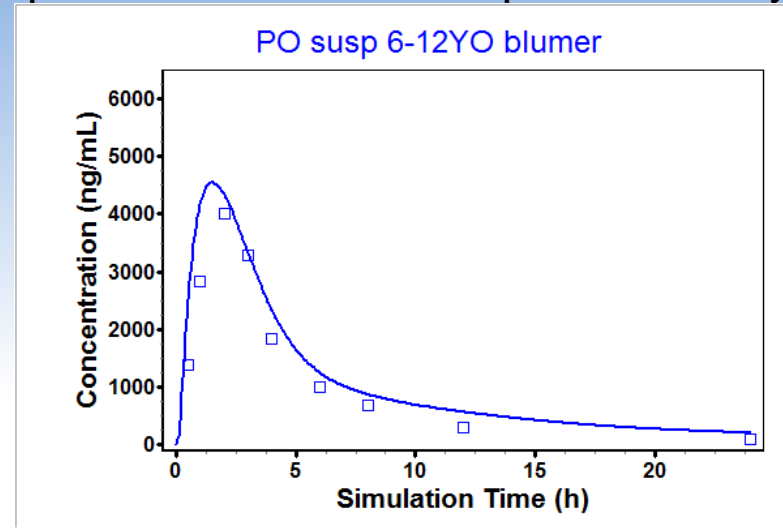
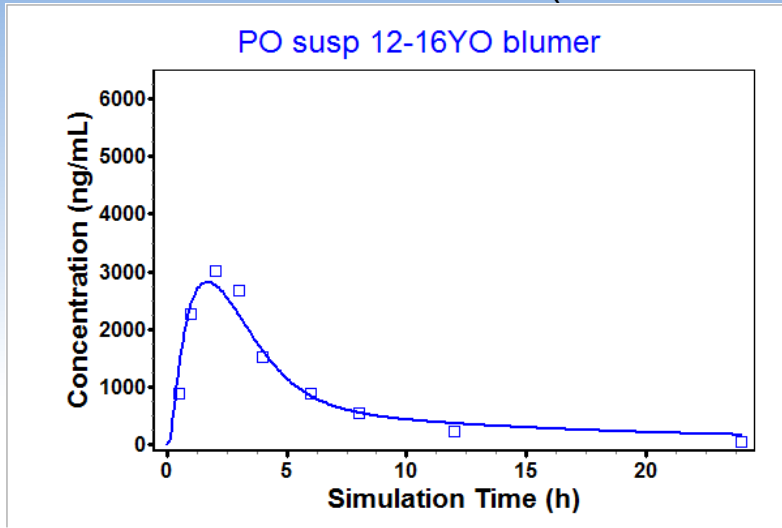
Excretion from liver to bile

	Wistar rats (n = 3) Mean ± SD	Cryopreserved human hepatocytes lot 77 Mean ± SD
$K_{mE,b}$ (µg/g eq. mg/l)	12.4	19.3
$J_{maxE}$ (mg/s)	0.0126	0.241
$PS_{TCAp}$ (ml/s)	0	0

Lukacova – 17<sup>th</sup> North American ISSX meeting 2011, Atlanta, GA

# Valsartan: Predict Pediatric Disposition

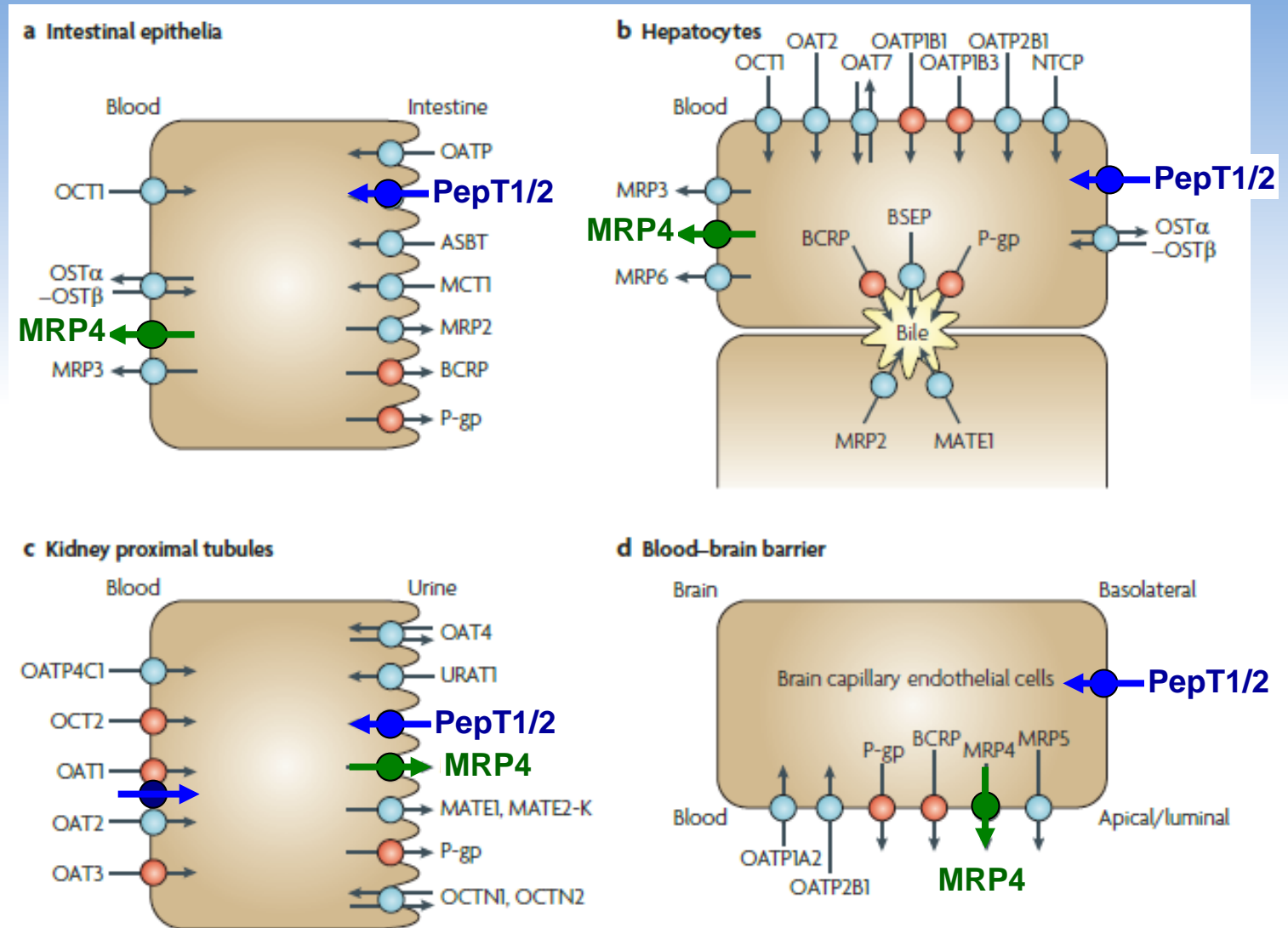
Dosing 2 mg/kg, experimental profiles are averages of 6-7 individuals  
(initial assumption – the same transporter density as in adults)



# Transporter-Mediated CL: Amoxicillin

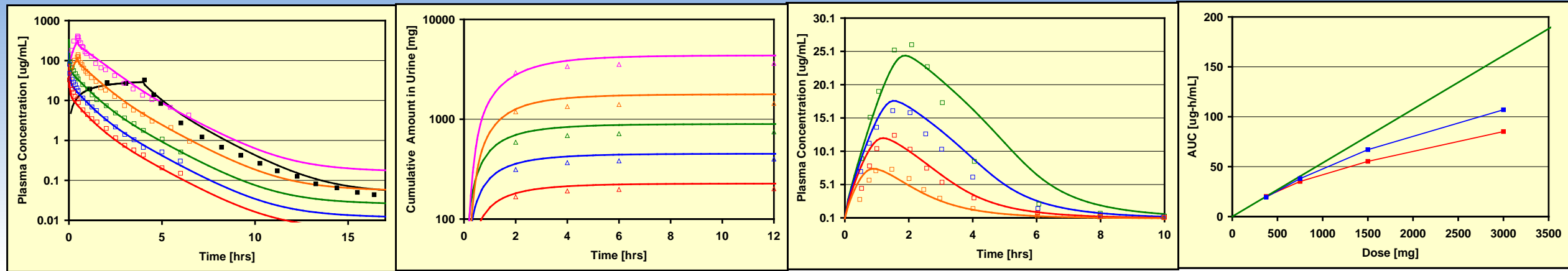
- Eliminated by renal secretion (glomerular filtration and active secretion)
- Substrate for:
  - PepT1/PepT2 – expressed in kidney, liver, brain, gut
  - MRP4 – efflux transporter expressed on apical kidney membrane and basolateral membranes in liver, gut and brain
- *in vivo* data available in human (adult and pediatric for infants up to 3 years)

Akanuma et al. DMD 2011

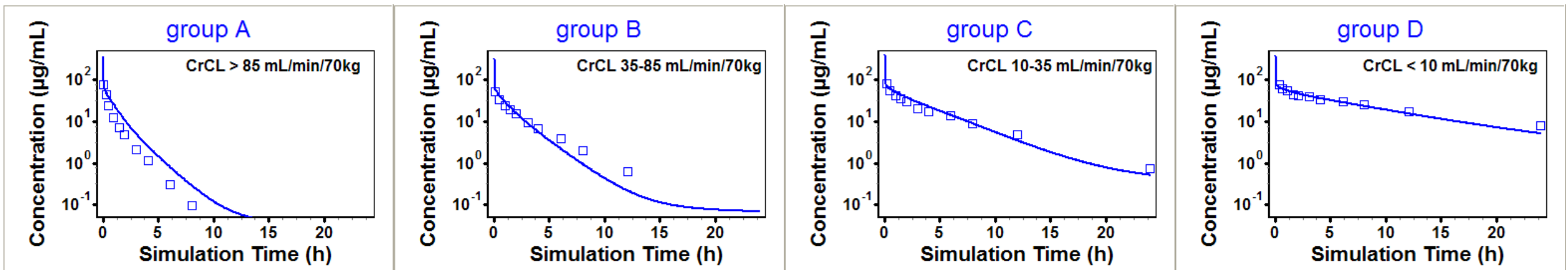


# Adult Model Development and Validation

Adult PBPK model was calibrated against in vivo PK data after IV and PO administration in adults



Adult PBPK model was validated by predicting PK in adults with different degrees of renal impairment (manual modifications of GFR and transporter activities based on each groups CrCL)



Lukacova – AAPS Annual Meeting 2012, Chicago, IL

# Predict Pediatric Disposition

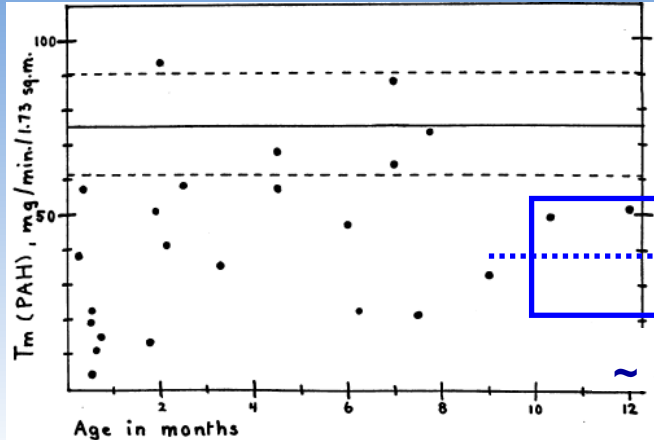


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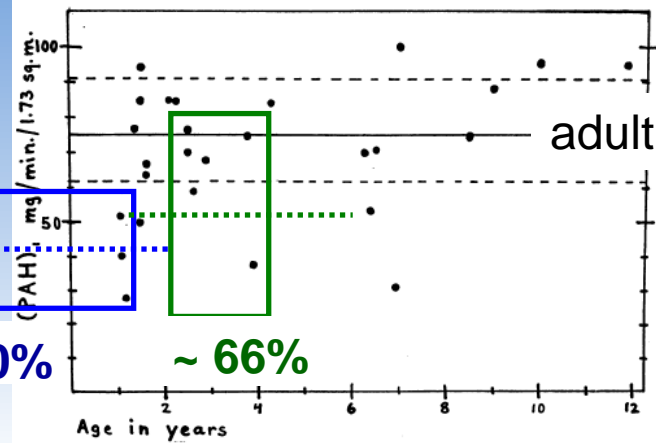


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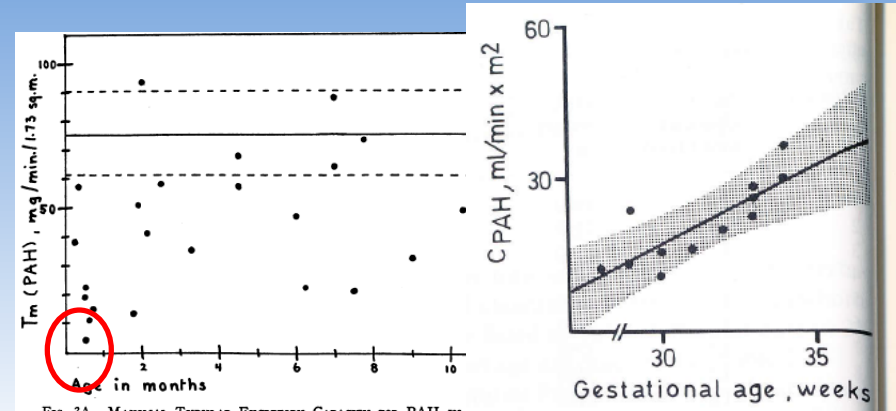


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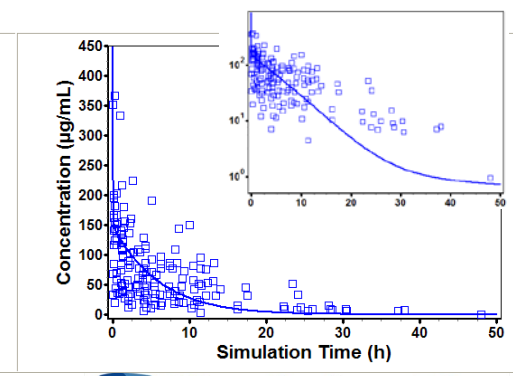
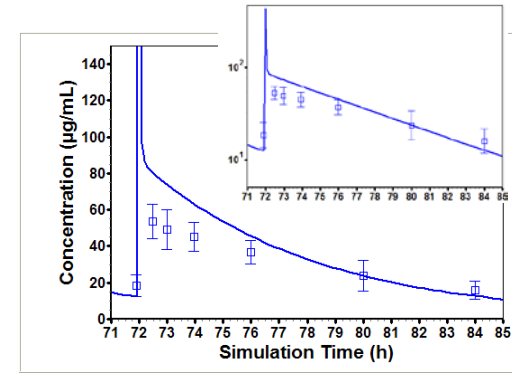
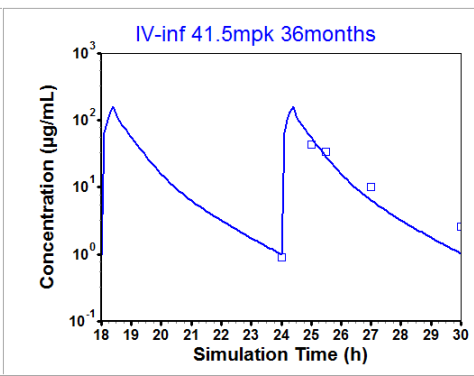
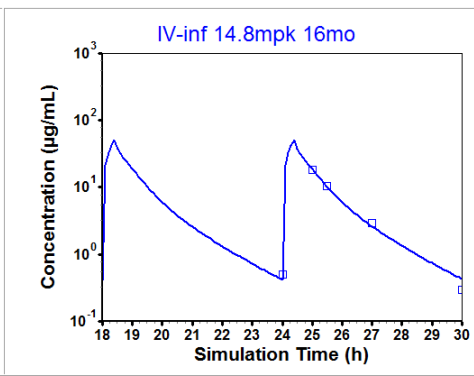
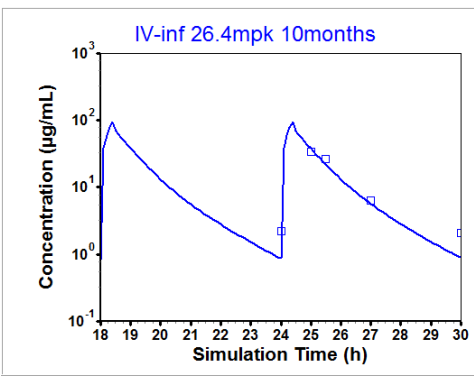
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## Estimating kidney transporter expression from PAH data

3 days, 29 wks GA,  
25 mg/kg

1-3 days, 29 wks GA,  
50 mg/kg





# Prodrug Administration : Valcyte

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Research Article

## A Physiologically Based Pharmacokinetic Model for Ganciclovir and Its Prodrug Valganciclovir in Adults and Children

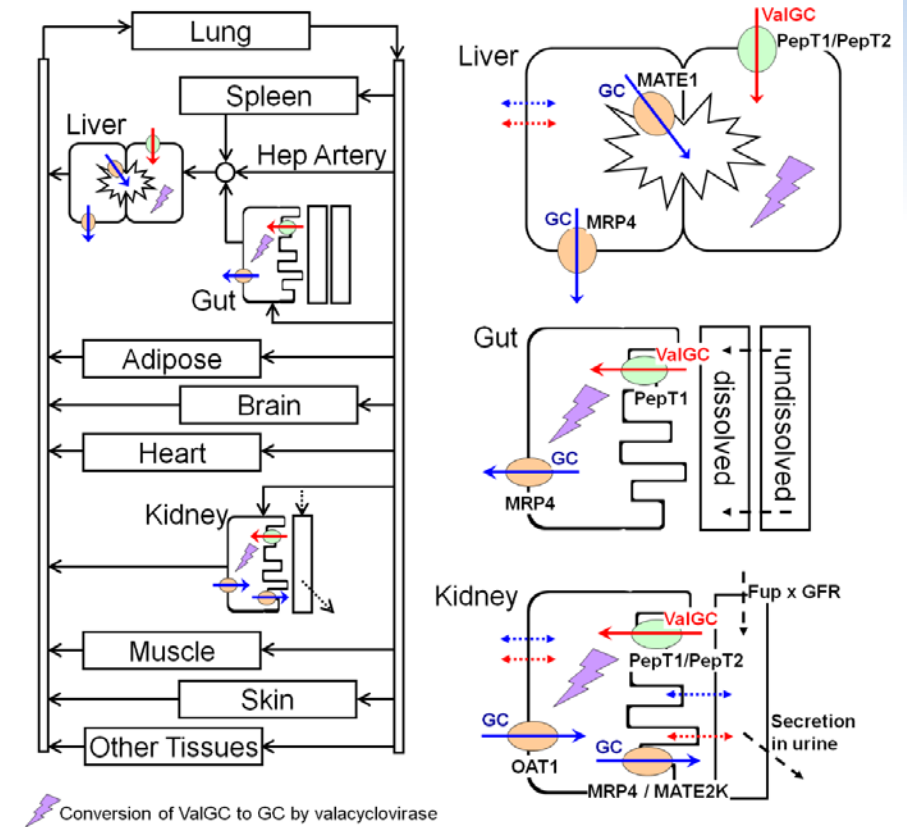
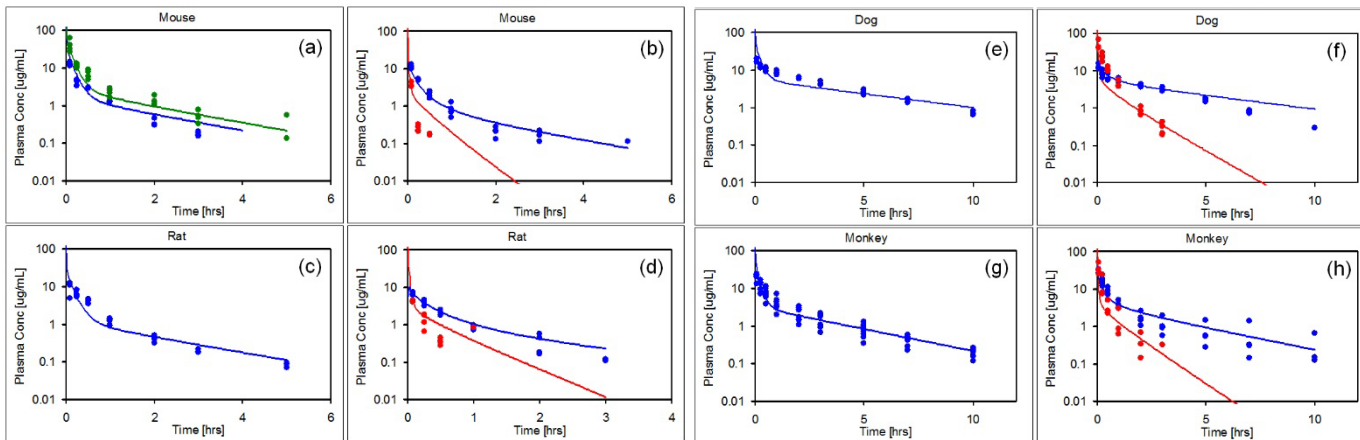
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## Bottom-up Meets Top-down: Complementary Physiologically Based Pharmacokinetic and Population Pharmacokinetic Modeling for Regulatory Approval of a Dosing Algorithm of Valganciclovir in Very Young Children

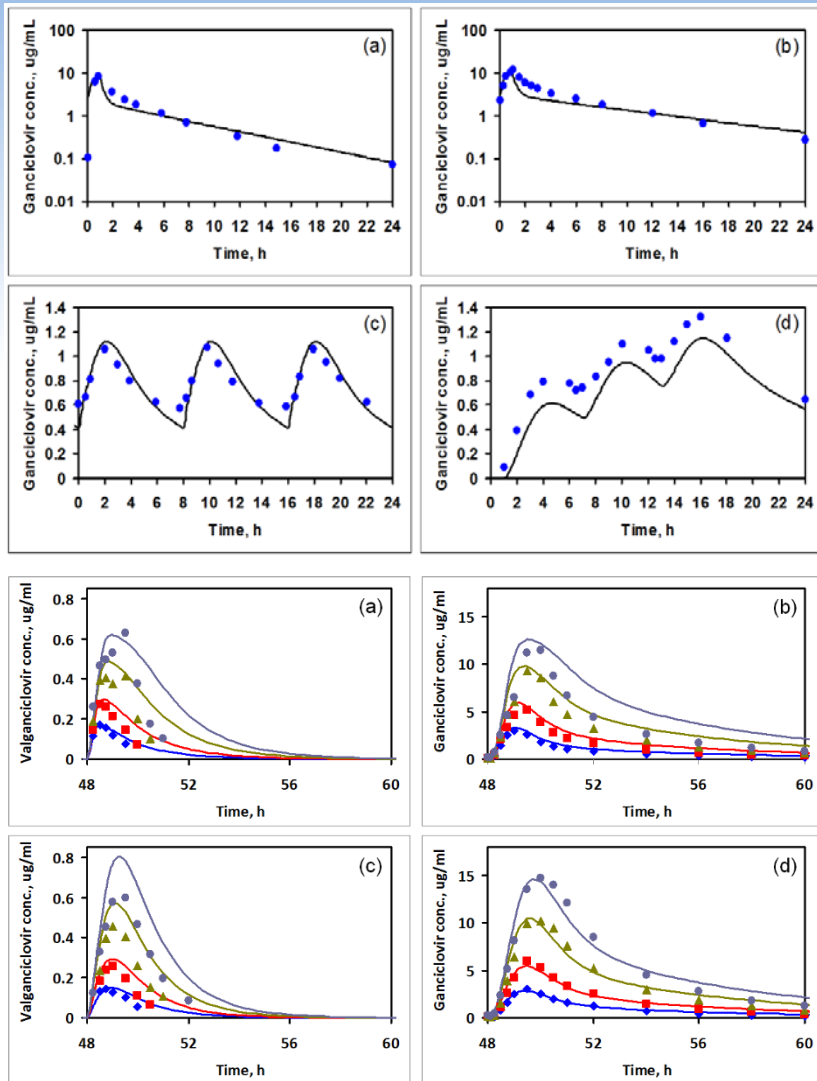
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PK data after IV administration in animals was used to determine the systemic disposition mechanisms

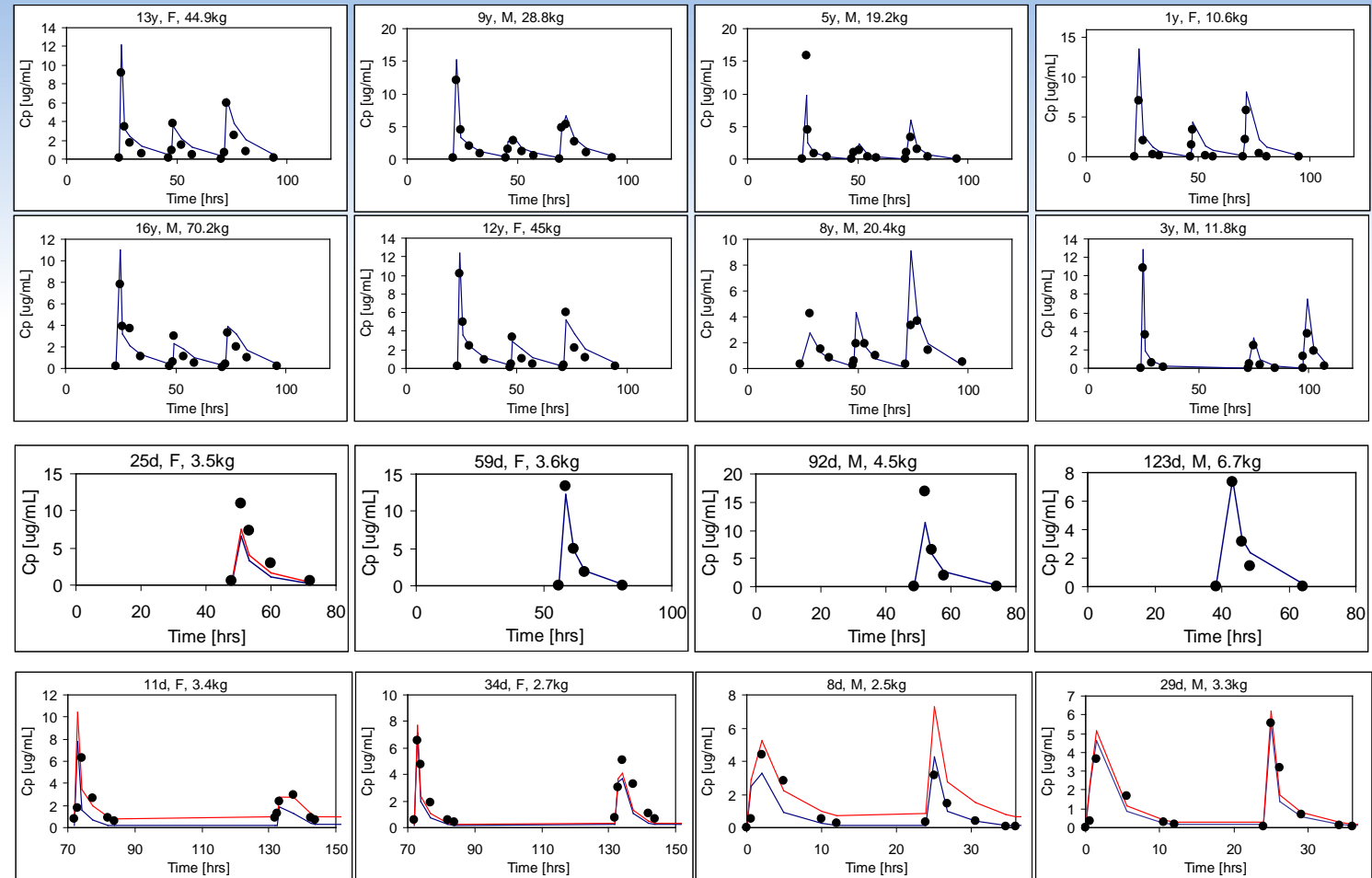


# Fit Adult Model and Predict Pediatric PK

Adult PK data after IV and PO administration of ganciclovir and valganciclovir was used to calibrate human PBPK model



Human PBPK model was then used to predict PK in children



# Disease States

# Liver Cirrhosis

- Replacement of normal liver tissue with non-functional scar tissue caused by chronic conditions

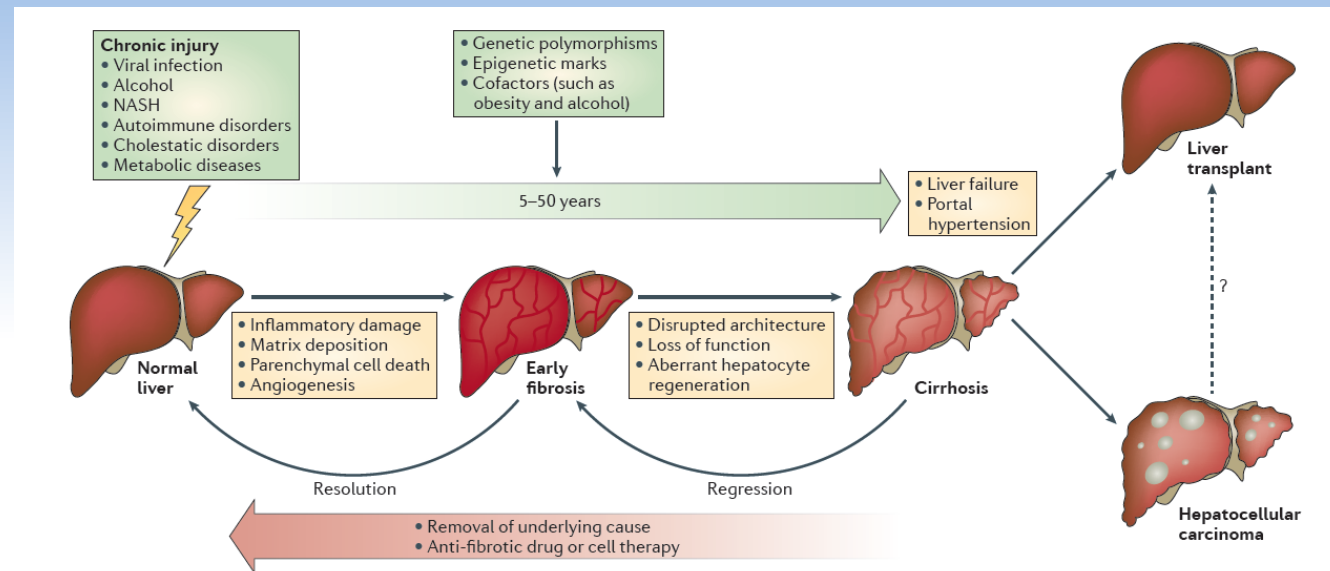


Figure 1: Natural history of chronic liver disease.

From  
Liver fibrosis and repair: immune regulation of wound healing in a solid organ  
Antonella Pellicoro, Prakash Ramachandran, John P. Iredale & Jonathan A. Fallowfield  
Nature Reviews Immunology 14, 181–194 (2014) | doi:10.1038/nri3623

- Child-Pugh (CP) score is used to classify the degree of disease severity: CP-A (well compensated disease), CP-B (significant functional compromise) & CP-C (decompensated disease)

# Physiological Changes In Liver Cirrhosis

**Table III.** Physiological and biochemical parameter changes associated with liver cirrhosis

Parameter	Control	Child-Pugh score		
		A	B	C
Liver volume fraction	1.0	0.81	0.65	0.53
CYP (pmol/mg)				
1A2	52	32.9	13.6	6.10
2A6	20	17.7	12.3	6.40
2B6	17	17.0	15.3	13.6
2C8	24	16.6	12.5	7.90
2C9	73	50.4	38.0	24.1
2C18	1.0	0.32	0.26	0.12
2C19	14	4.50	3.60	1.70
2D6	8.0	6.10	2.60	0.84
2E1	61	45.1	29.3	6.71
3A4	137	80.8	53.2	34.2
Gut CYP3A4 (nmol per total gut)	70	59	40	25
Albumin (g/L)	44.7	41.1	33.9	26.3
$\alpha_1$ -acid glycoprotein (g/L)	0.80	0.57	0.52	0.46
Haematocrit (%)	40.9	36.6	32.9	31.9
Cardiac output (L/h)	306	355	403	431
Portal blood flow (L/h)				
males	58.2	52.9	36.9	32.2
females	65.8	59.9	41.7	36.4
Hepatic arterial blood flow (L/h)	19.9	28	32.3	38.1
$Q_{v_{III}}$ (L/h)	18.4	23.7	28.0	36.6
GFR (mL/min)	120	83.7	69.9	66.5

**CYP** = cytochrome P450; **GFR** = glomerular filtration rate;  **$Q_{v_{III}}$**  = villous blood flow.

Johnson – Clin Pharmacokinetics 2010, 49:189-206

Li – CPT Pharmacometrics Syst. Pharmacol. 2015, 4:338-349

**Table 3** Physiological changes associated with liver cirrhosis (fractions of healthy control values  $\pm$  standard deviation)<sup>a</sup>

Parameter	Child-Pugh Grade		
	A	B	C
Albumin concentration	0.84 $\pm$ 0.15	0.69 $\pm$ 0.15	0.53 $\pm$ 0.15
Hematocrit (%) <sup>b</sup>	38 $\pm$ 5.0	34 $\pm$ 5.7	34 $\pm$ 5.5
Cardiac output	1.1 $\pm$ 0.39	1.2 $\pm$ 0.34	1.3 $\pm$ 0.30
Portal vein blood flow	0.72 $\pm$ 0.57	0.60 $\pm$ 0.61	0.13 $\pm$ 0.57
Splenic vein blood flow	1.2 $\pm$ 0.29	1.5 $\pm$ 0.52	1.5 $\pm$ 0.54
Liver arterial blood flow	1.5 $\pm$ 1.1	1.7 $\pm$ 1.5	2.1 $\pm$ 1.9
Functional liver size	0.91 $\pm$ 0.26	0.81 $\pm$ 0.26	0.64 $\pm$ 0.22
Liver transporter mRNA level <sup>c</sup>			
OATP1B1	0.65 $\pm$ 0.49	(0.65 $\pm$ 0.49)	(0.65 $\pm$ 0.49)
OATP1B3	0.73 $\pm$ 0.59	(0.73 $\pm$ 0.59)	(0.73 $\pm$ 0.59)
OATP2B1	0.77 $\pm$ 0.47	(0.77 $\pm$ 0.47)	(0.77 $\pm$ 0.47)
MRP2	0.54 $\pm$ 0.48	(0.54 $\pm$ 0.48)	(0.54 $\pm$ 0.48)
BCRP	0.58 $\pm$ 0.45	(0.58 $\pm$ 0.45)	(0.58 $\pm$ 0.45)
BSEP	1.1 $\pm$ 0.51	(1.1 $\pm$ 0.51)	(1.1 $\pm$ 0.51)
MDR1	1.1 $\pm$ 0.49	(1.1 $\pm$ 0.49)	(1.1 $\pm$ 0.49)
MDR3	2.3 $\pm$ 0.45	(2.3 $\pm$ 0.45)	(2.3 $\pm$ 0.45)
MATE1	0.65 $\pm$ 0.52	(0.65 $\pm$ 0.52)	(0.65 $\pm$ 0.52)
Uptake transporter activity <sup>d</sup>	0.78 $\pm$ 0.070	0.31 $\pm$ 0.033	(0.31 $\pm$ 0.033)
Efflux transporter activity <sup>d</sup>	0.69 $\pm$ 0.12	2.6 $\pm$ 17	(2.6 $\pm$ 17)

**Table I.** Physiological changes associated with liver cirrhosis

Parameter	Child-Pugh class		
	A	B	C
Blood flow			
portal <sup>a</sup>	0.40	0.36	0.04
hepatic arterial <sup>b</sup>	1.3	2.3	3.4
renal <sup>c</sup>	0.88	0.65	0.48
other organs <sup>d</sup>	1.75	2.25	2.75
Cardiac index <sup>e</sup>	1.11	1.27	1.36
Albumin <sup>f</sup>	0.81	0.68	0.50
$\alpha_1$ -Acid glycoprotein <sup>g</sup>	0.60	0.56	0.30
Haematocrit value <sup>h</sup>	0.39	0.37	0.35
Functional liver mass <sup>i</sup>	0.69	0.55	0.28
Hepatic enzymes <sup>j</sup>			
CYP3A4	1	0.4	0.4
CYP1A2	1	0.1	0.1
CYP2E1	1	0.83	0.83
GFR <sup>k</sup>	1	0.70	0.36

Edgington – Clin Pharmacokinetics 2008, 47:743-752

# Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD)

Chronic kidney disease (CKD) is a condition characterized by a gradual loss of kidney function over time

CKD Classification:

Stage	Description	GFR [ml/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup> ]
1	Kidney damage with normal or ↑ GFR	≥ 90
2	Kidney damage with mild ↓ GFR	60-89
3a	Moderate ↓ GFR	45-59
3b		30-44
4	Severe ↓ GFR	15-29
5	Kidney failure	< 15

Physiological changes apart from a decrease in GFR:

**Table 1. Key physiological and biochemical parameter changes associated with differing degrees of renal impairment.**

Parameter	Control	GFR (ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> )	
		30–59	<30
CYP1A2 (pmol/mg)	52 [58]	33 [63,129–131]	24 [129–131]
CYP2C8 (pmol/mg)	24 [58]	20 [64]	13 [64]
CYP2C9 (pmol/mg)	73 [58]	63 [65]	29 [65]
CYP2C19 (pmol/mg)	14 [58]	5.5 [66]	2.3 [66]
CYP2D6 (pmol/mg)	8.0 [58]	4.6 [67,132,133]	2.1 [132,133]
CYP3A4 (pmol/mg)	137 [58]	73 [68,134,135]	62 [68,135]
Albumin (g.l <sup>-1</sup> )	M	44.9 [205]	41.6 [136,137,205]
	F	41.8 [205]	38.8 [136,137,205]
Hematocrit (%)	M	43.0 [43]	39.7 [43]
	F	38.0 [43]	33.2 [43]
Gastric emptying time (h)	0.40 [35]	0.55 [19]	0.65 [19]

F: Female; GFR: Glomerular filtration rate; M: Male.

Yeo et al., Expert Rev. Clin. Pharmacol. 2010, 4(2):261-274

Decrease in hepatic and renal uptake transporter activity (e.g. OATP, OAT)

Zhao et al., J Clin Pharmacol 2012, 52:91S-108S; Hsu et al., Clin Pharmacokinet 2014, 53:283-293



# Obesity

GastroPlus follows WHO (adults) and CDC (children) classifications of obesity

**Table 4.3: Classification of overweight and obesity for adults by the body mass index (BMI):**

BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	Description	Risk of co-morbidities
<18.5	Underweight	Low
18.5-24.99	Healthy	Average
25-29.99	Overweight	Mildly increased
30-39.99	Obese(combined Obese class I and II)	Moderate-Severe
>40	Morbidly obese(Obese class III)	Very severe

**Table 4.4: Classification of overweight and obesity for children by the body mass index (BMI):**

Description	Percentile Range
Underweight	< 5 <sup>th</sup> percentile
Healthy	5 <sup>th</sup> – 85 <sup>th</sup> percentile
Overweight	85 <sup>th</sup> – 95 <sup>th</sup> percentile
Obese	>95 <sup>th</sup> percentile

Physiological changes in:

- Body and tissue composition
- Cardiac output and tissue blood flows
- GFR
- Hepatic CYP450 expressions

# PEAR – Disease Conditions

For hepatic and renal impairment, user has an option to select a group of patients depending on severity of the disease

Based on combination of Height, Weight and BMI, algorithms account for normal, overweight and obese subjects when creating physiologies

PEAR Physiology

File Legacy Options

New PEAR Physiology

Balance Model ? Expand View

PEAR Inputs

Species: Human

Population: American

Gender: Male

Health Status: Healthy

Age: years 30

Height [cm]: 176.43

Weight [kg]: 85.53

BMI [kg/m<sup>2</sup>]: 27.4773 **OverWt**

% Body Fat: 26.34

CO [mL/s]: 106.3799

PEAR Outputs

Name	Vol.		
Hepatic Artery	0.00		
Lung	114		
Arterial Supply	222		
Venous Return	445		
Adipose	310		
Muscle	276		
Liver	170	26.1340	
ACAT Gut	0.0000	13.9660	
Spleen	170.0108	2.8336	
Heart	367.5291	4.4717	
Brain	1492.6488	12.6875	
Kidney	384.0354	23.5540	
Skin	3036.9386	6.0739	
ReproOrg	57.6472	0.2018	
RedMarrow	1184.6949	5.9235	
YellowMarrow	3293.0415	1.6465	
RestOfBody	3053.4210	1.5267	

Non-perfused bone [g]: 5718.263 (% BW: 6.686 )

OK Cancel

All information is already included in GastroPlus PEAR Physiology module ... very easy to create the new disease physiologies!

PEAR Physiology

File Legacy Options

New PEAR Physiology

Balance Model ? Expand View

PEAR Inputs

Species: Human

Population: American

Gender: Male

Health Status: Healthy

Age: years 30

Height [cm]: 169.6699

Weight [kg]: 95

BMI [kg/m<sup>2</sup>]: 33 **Obese**

% Body Fat: 30.16

CO [mL/s]: 111.5857

PEAR Outputs

Name	% Weight	% CO
Hepatic Artery	0.0000	7.8574
Lung	1.1445	100.0000
Arterial Supply	2.3464	100.0000
Venous Return	4.6927	100.0000
Adipose	38.0812	11.7991
Muscle	31.4788	12.8722
Liver	1.9634	23.9173
ACAT Gut	0.0000	13.9018
Spleen	0.1603	2.1581
Heart	0.4143	4.1665
Brain	1.5241	11.3702
Kidney	0.4324	21.5051
Skin	3.9433	5.6710
ReproOrg	0.0674	0.2008
RedMarrow	1.3447	5.5684
YellowMarrow	2.9089	1.5478
RestOfBody	3.2453	1.3815

Non-perfused bone [g]: 5998.302 (% BW: 6.314 )

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# Example: Buspirone

## Absorption:

- Rapidly and almost complete absorption
- Mean absolute oral bioavailability is approximately 4%, ranging from 1.5-13%.
- $C_{max}$  of 1-6 ng/mL and  $T_{max}$  of 0.13-1.5

## Distribution:

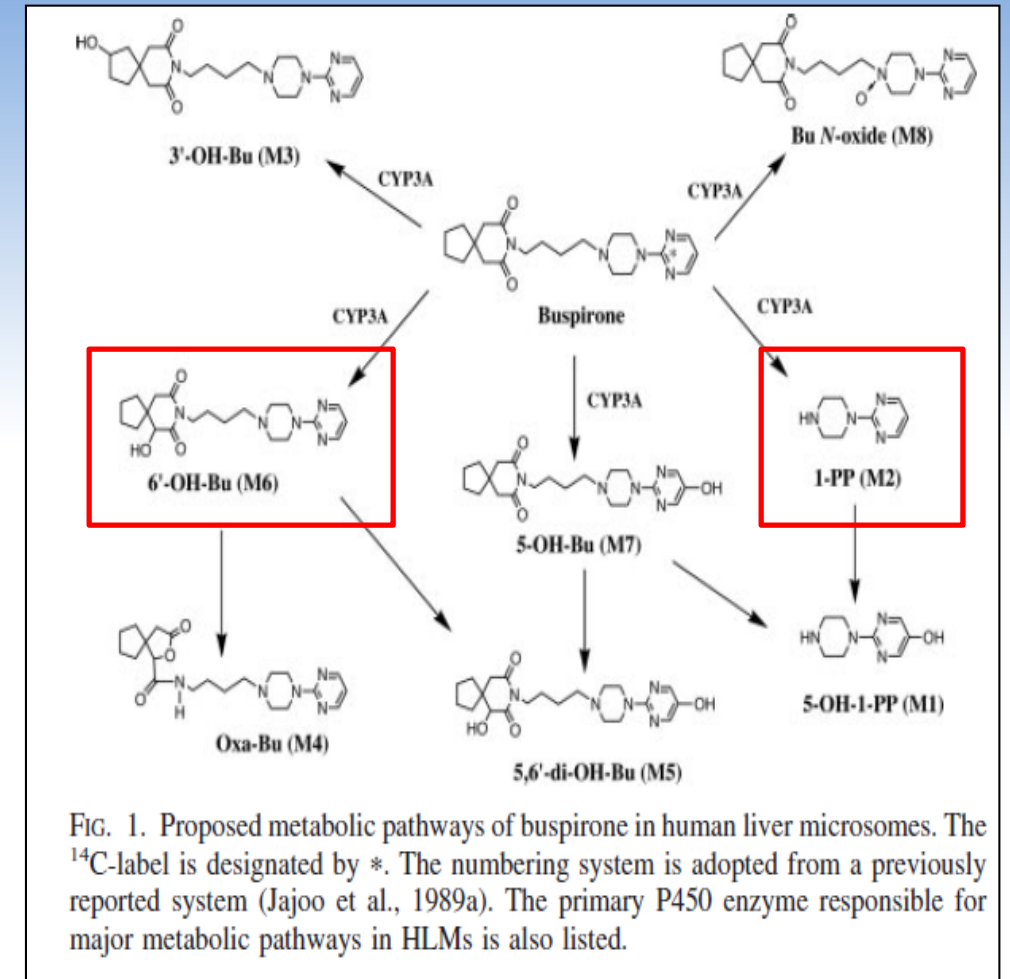
- Mean volume of distribution of 5.3 L/kg
- 95% bound to plasma proteins

## Metabolism:

- Extensive first pass metabolism
- Mainly metabolized by CYP3A4

## Elimination:

- Less than 1% of an administered dose was recovered as unchanged drug in urine
- Mean elimination half-life = 2-3 hrs



Ref: Zhu et al., DMD 33; 500-507, 2005

# Available *in vivo* Data: Healthy Subjects

Baseline model for healthy subjects was built using *in silico*, *in vitro* and fitted (where *in silico* and *in vitro* estimates were not available) parameter values to describe PK of buspirone and two major metabolites after different PO doses

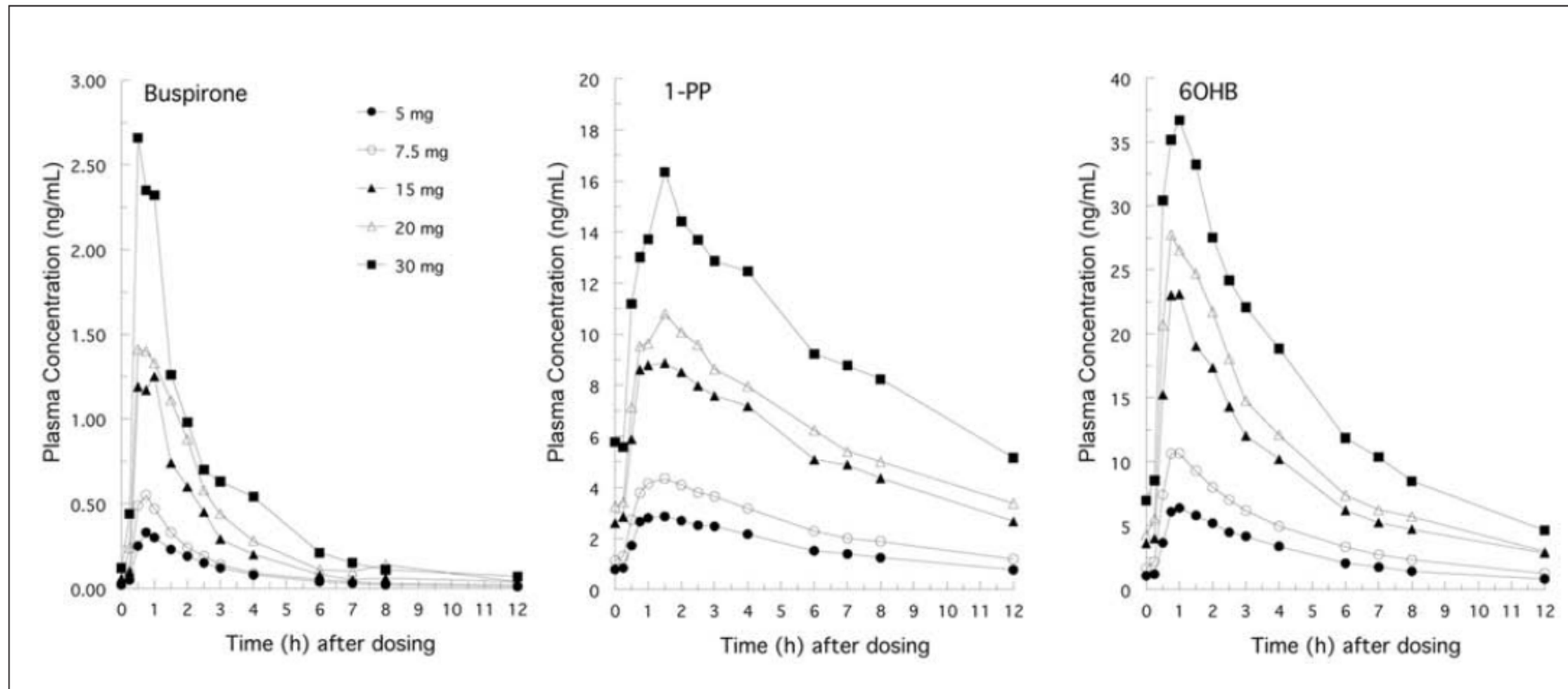
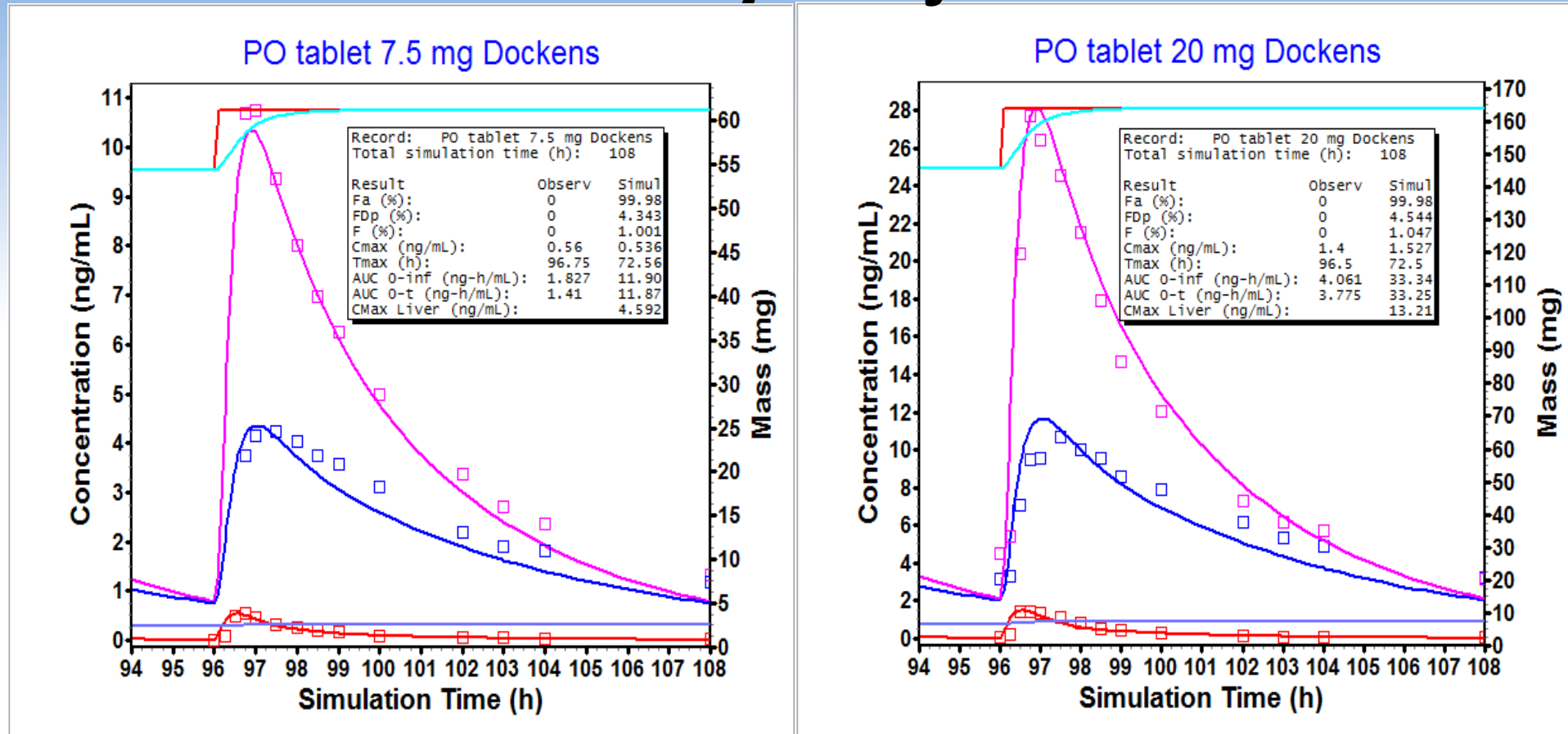


Figure 1. Mean plasma concentration versus time profiles of buspirone, 1-(2-pyrimidinyl)-piperazine (1-PP), and 6-hydroxybuspirone (6OHB) after a 5-day oral administration of 5, 7.5, 15, 20, and 30 mg buspirone HCl on a twice-daily dosing regimen.

Dockens et al., J Clin Pharm 46; 1308-1312, 2006

# PO IR Tablet 7.5 and 20 mg BID on Day 5 Healthy Subjects

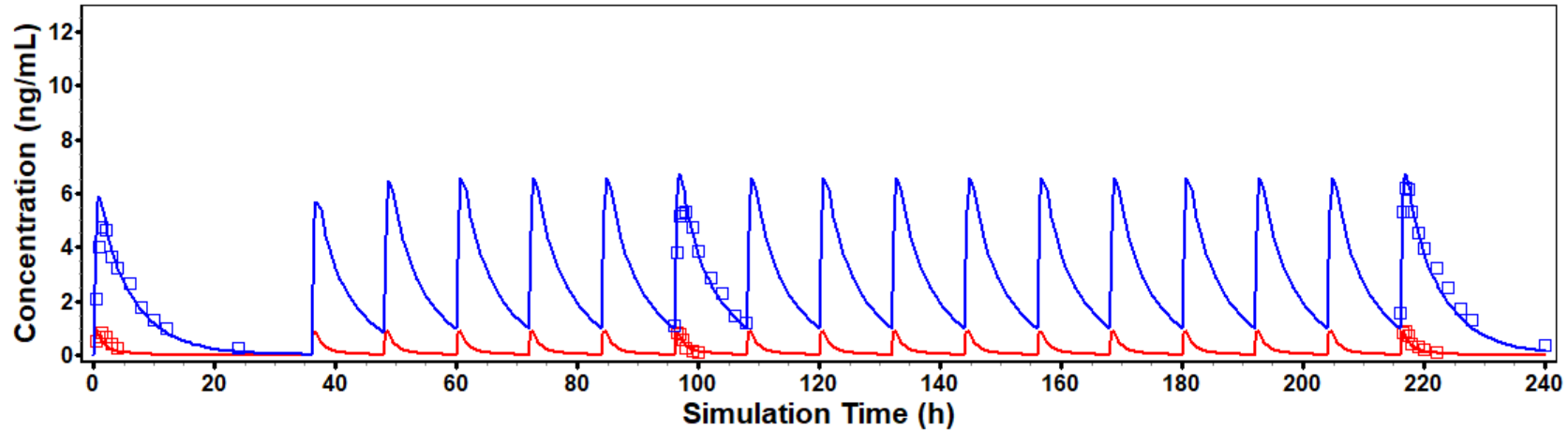


Predicted (lines) and observed (points) Cp-time profiles of buspirone (red), 1-pyrimidinylpiperazine metabolite (blue) and 6-hydroxybuspirone metabolite (pink) in healthy adult volunteers after 9 doses of 7.5 mg and 20 mg buspirone hydrochloride administered once a day.

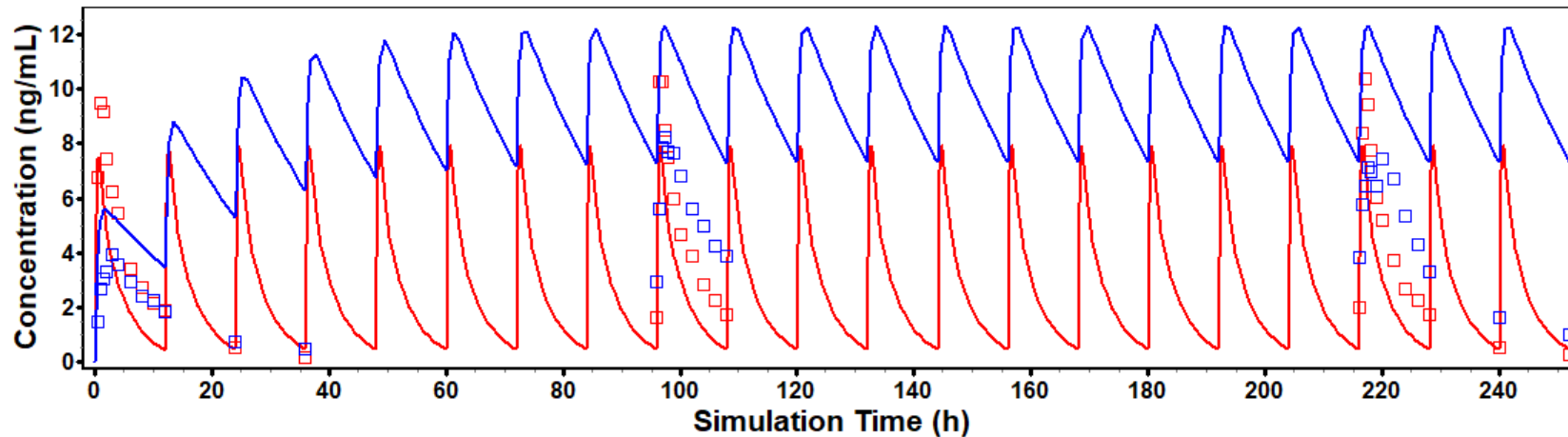


# PO IR Tablet 10 mg BID: Healthy & Hepatic Impairment

PO tablet 10 mg healthy



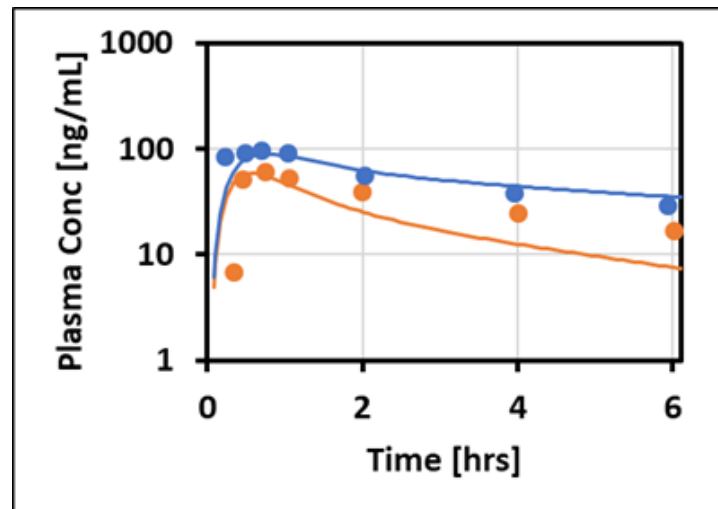
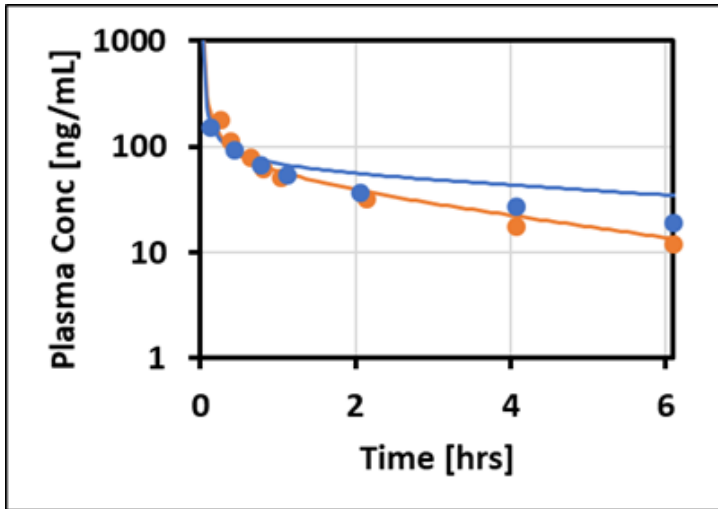
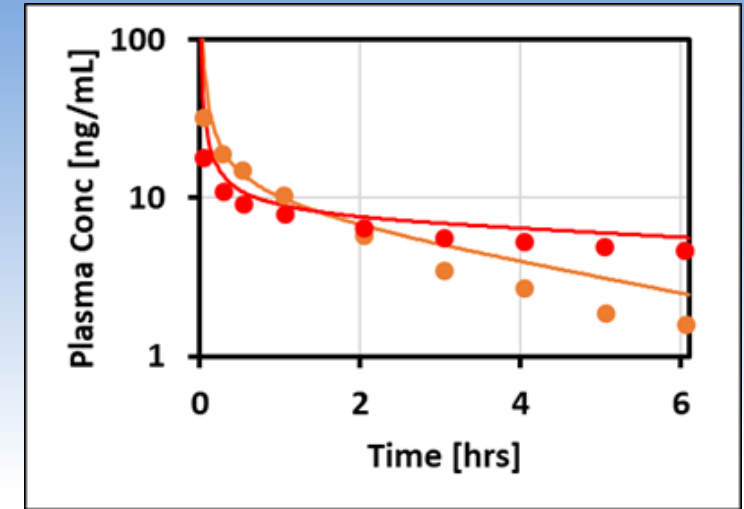
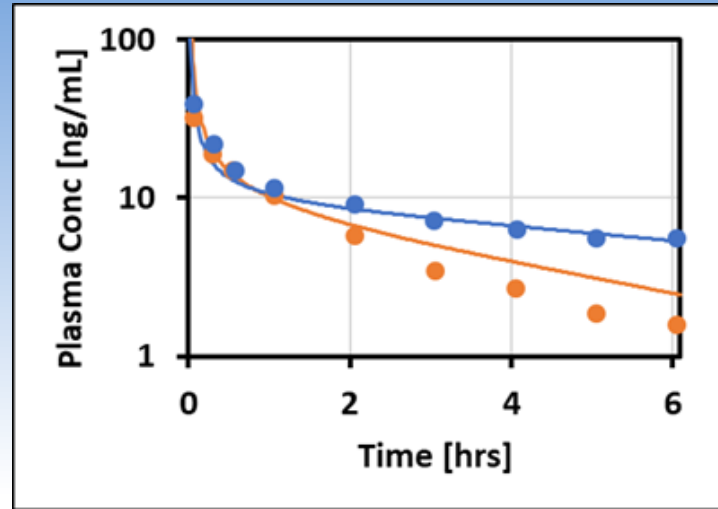
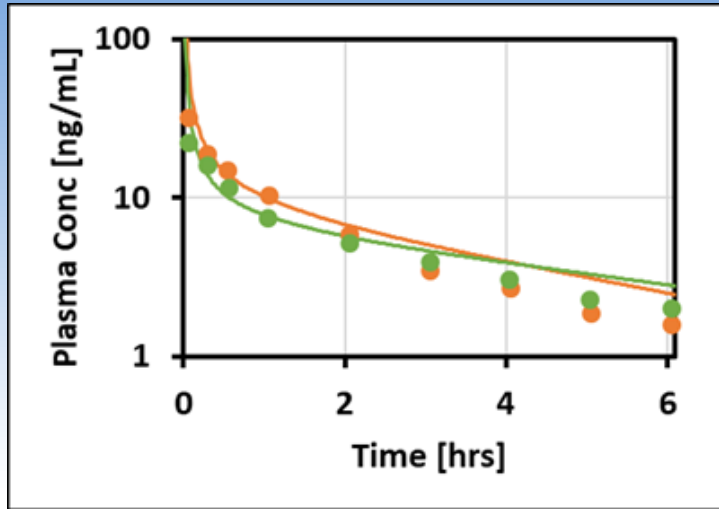
PO tablet 10 mg decompensated



Prediction is not perfect, but gives a good insight into how the exposure may change in patients with severe hepatic impairment

Observed data from Barbhैया et al., Eur J Clin Pharmacol (1994) 46-41-47

# Liver Cirrhosis - Midazolam



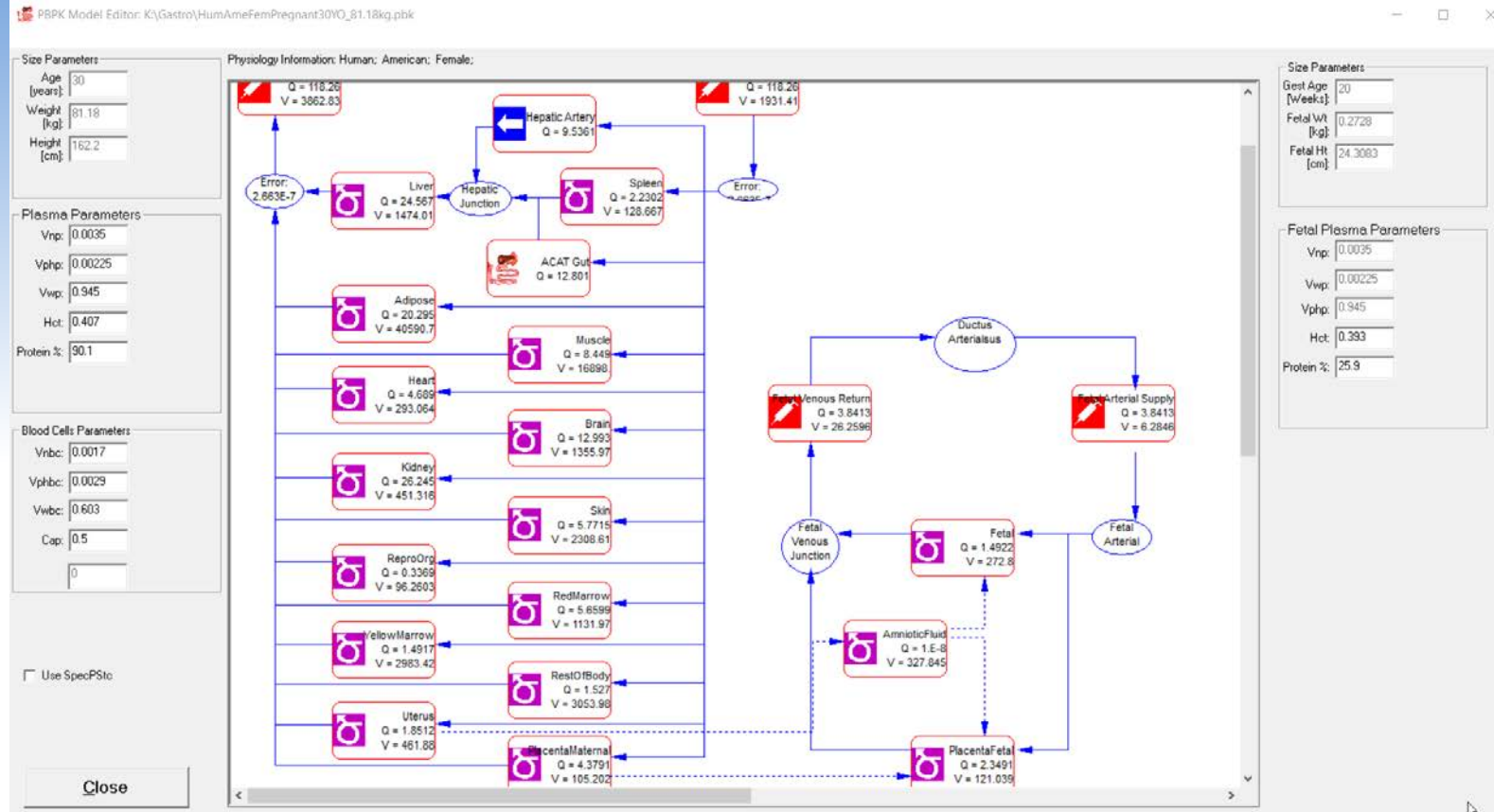
orange – healthy  
 green – Cirrhosis CP = A  
 blue – Cirrhosis CP = B  
 red – Cirrhosis CP = C

Top: 1mg IV bolus

Bottom: 7.5 mg IV bolus and 15 mg PO  
(assumed degree of hepatic impairment for second study)

# Pregnancy

# Pregnancy Model

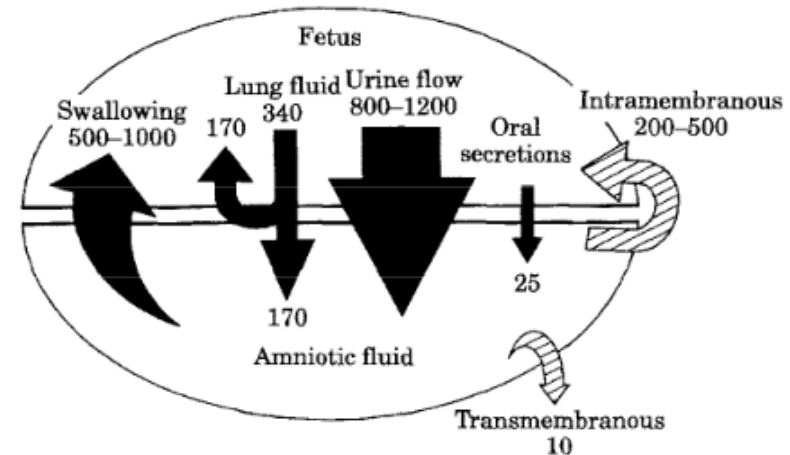
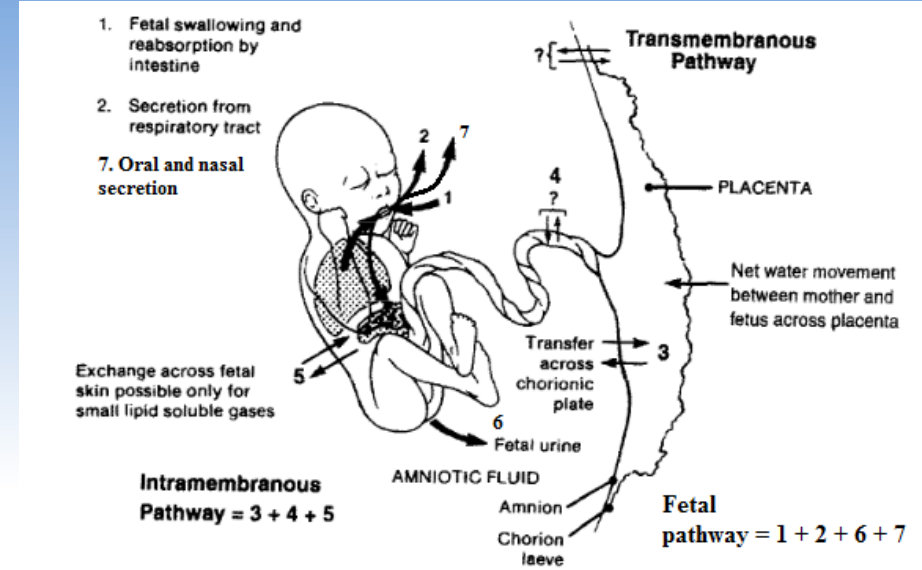


Relevant mechanisms:

1. Intramembranous pathway (between amniotic fluid and fetal blood within the placenta and membranes)
2. Transmembranous pathway (between amniotic fluid and uterus)
3. Fetal pathway (swallowing, secretion, urination etc.)
4. Trans-placenta pathway

# Regulation of Amniotic Fluid Volume

- **Poorly understood:**
  - Complex mechanisms: multiple pathways and exchange occurs simultaneously
  - Mechanisms for volume regulatory vary with gestational age
  - Most data are derived from sheep experiment
- **3 principals mechanisms:**
  - Intramembranous pathway
  - Transmembranous pathway
  - Fetal pathway



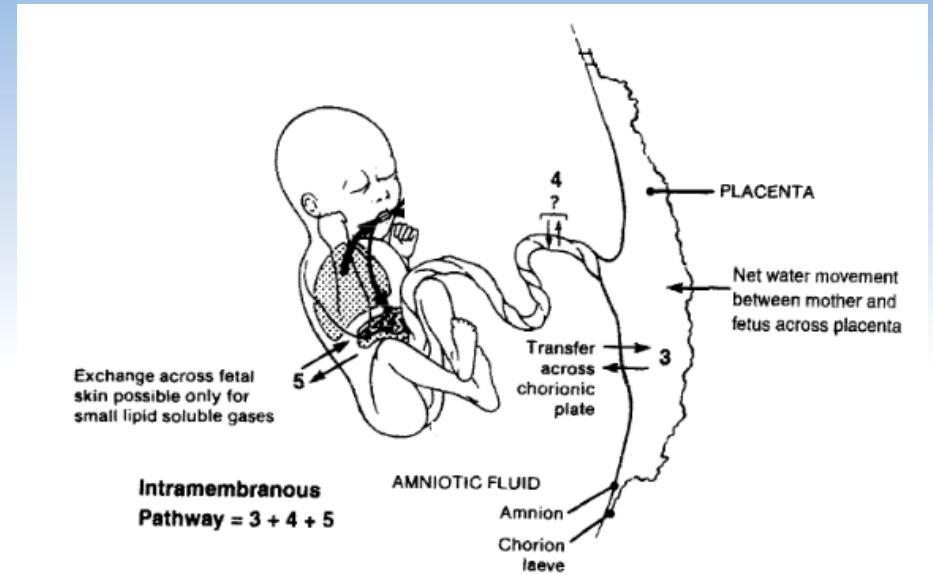
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# Regulation of Amniotic Fluid Volume

## Intramembranous pathway

- rapid movement of water and solute that occurs between amniotic fluid and fetal blood within the placenta and membranes.
- Transcutaneous exchange between fetal blood and amniotic fluid disappears after skin keratinization
  - Keratinization begins between 19 to 20 weeks of gestation
  - Usually, keratinization is completed at 25 weeks of gestation
- Intramembranous pathway could be split into 2 components (Brace et al – 2014):
  - **Passive pathway** where rate depends on the osmolality
  - **Active pathway** (presumed to be a vesicular transcytotic pathway) that moves amniotic fluid in bulk together with dissolved solutes from the amniotic fluid outward across the amnion into fetal blood

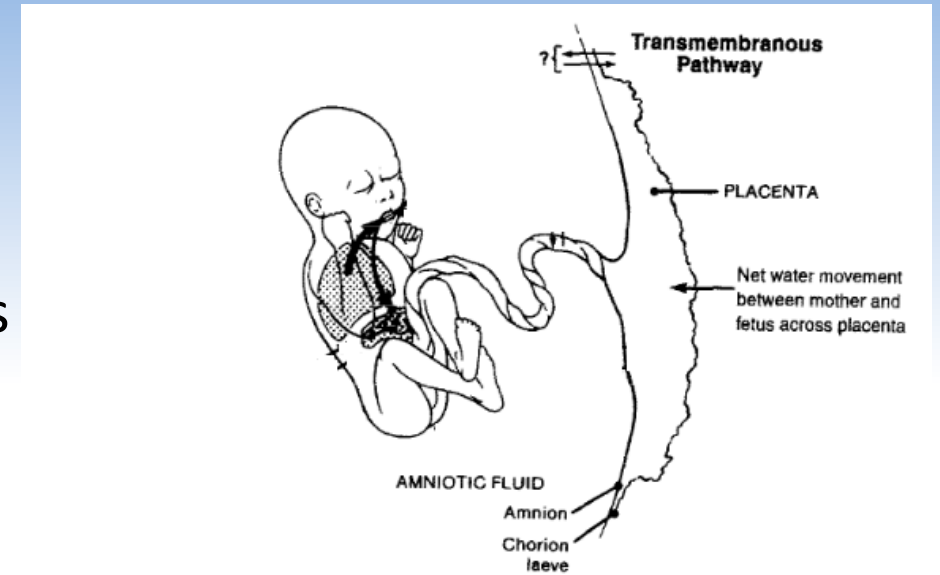


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# Regulation of Amniotic Fluid Volume

## Transmembranous pathway

- Movement of water and solute between amniotic fluid and maternal blood within the wall of the uterus
- Appears to make little if any contribution to net amniotic fluid volume or the concentration of the major solutes during the second half of gestation
- In early gestation, this pathway should be important (as other main pathway are not mature)

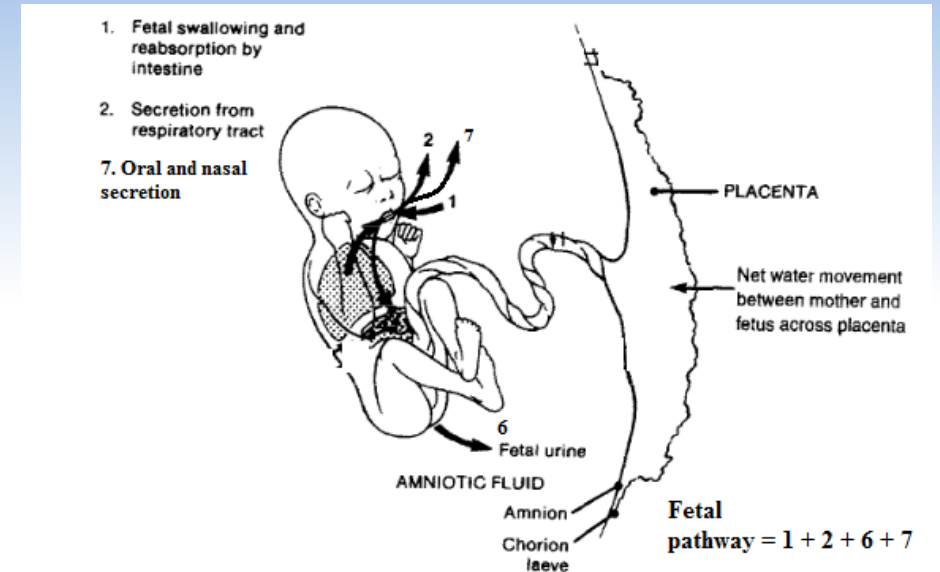


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# Regulation of Amniotic Fluid Volume

## Fetal pathway

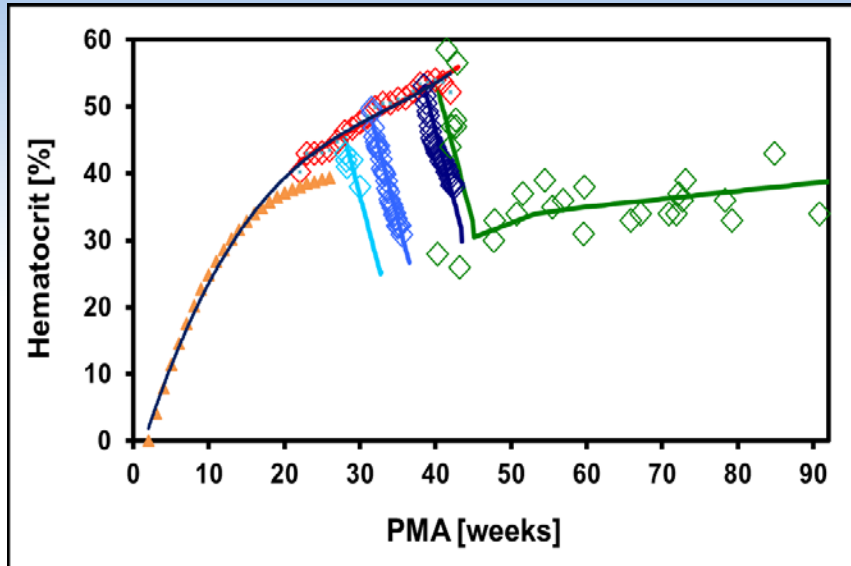
- Movement of water and solute between amniotic fluid and fetal organs
- Represents the major flux of amniotic fluid during the second half of pregnancy
- The formation of urine by the fetal kidney begins with the appearance of the definitive kidney, between 9th and 12th week of gestation.
- The human fetus begins to swallow at the same time that fetal urine begins to enter the amniotic cavity.
- Around the 25th weeks of gestation, a substantial portion of the amniotic fluid is produced by the pulmonary epithelium.



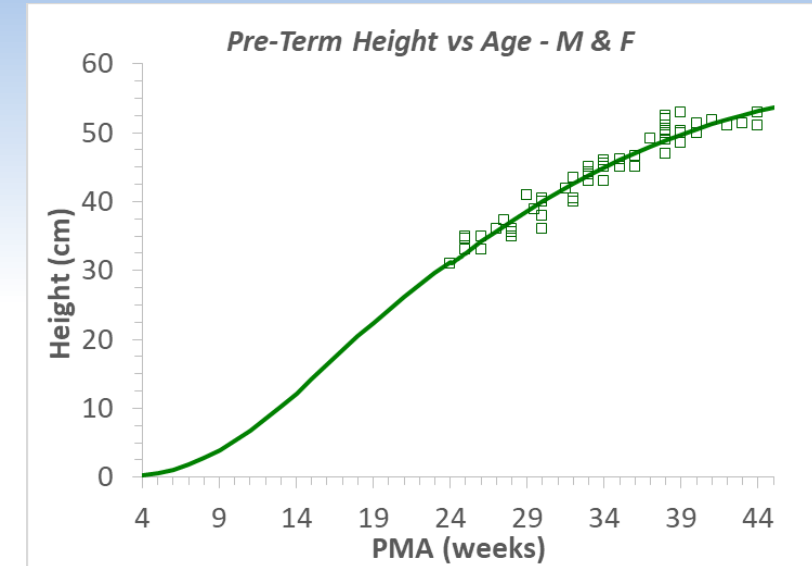
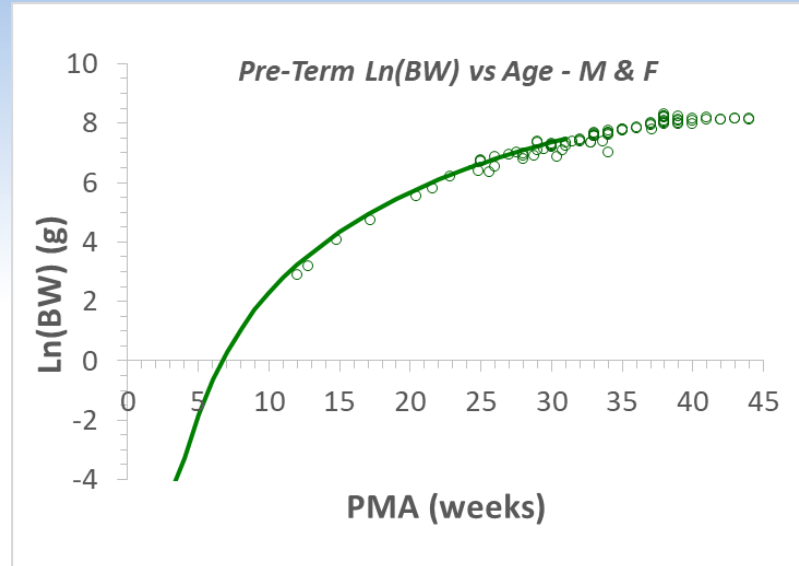
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# Fetal Physiology

Fetal growth is consistent with infant physiology

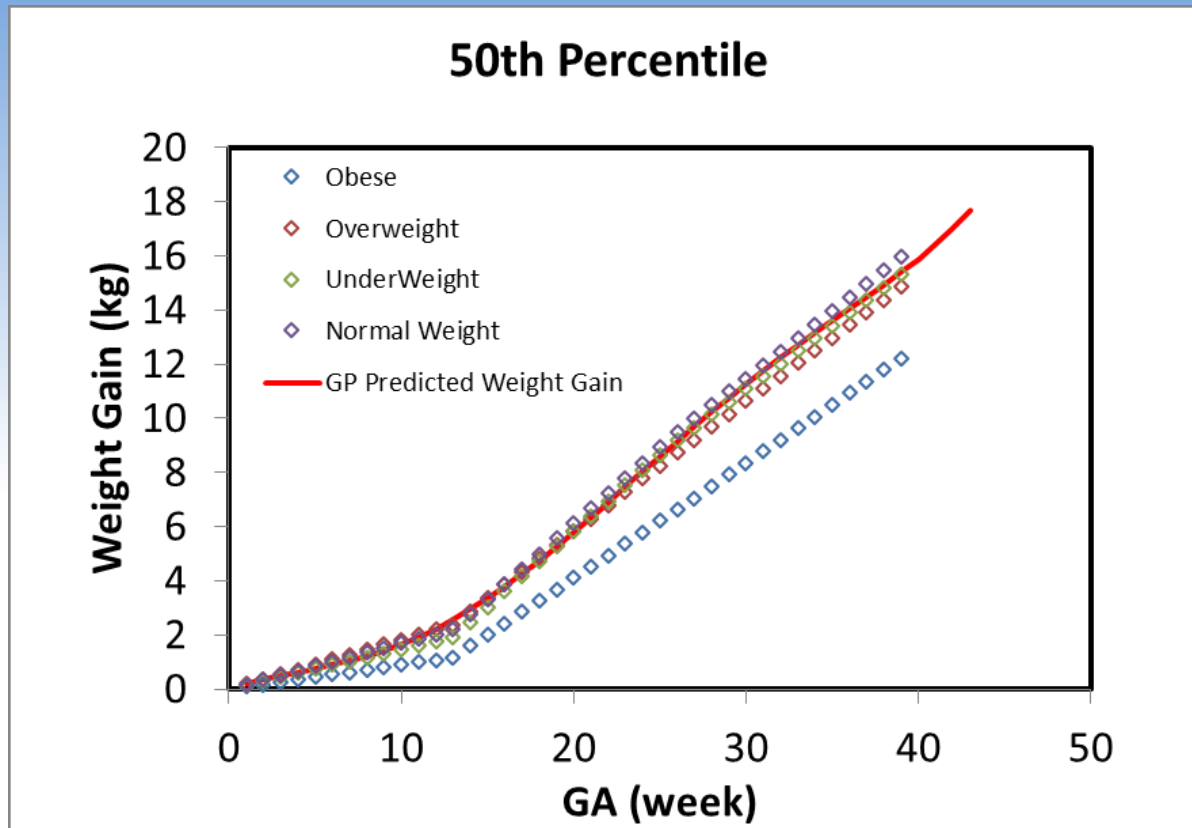


Plot of hematocrit vs post-menstrual age (PMA) for infants up to 1 year old or gestational age for fetus. The yellow triangles were calculated by the equation provided in Dallmann (Dallmann 2017). The final hematocrit equation for fetus was fitted with the Dallmann equation and rest of the observed data (black line).



Fetal weight and height prediction in GastroPlus vs. observed data. Solid line represents the current GP predicted value for fetal weights and the green circles are the observed values from multiple publications (refer to the Infant PBPK section).

# Weight Gain During Pregnancy



**Pre-pregnancy weight is important:** will be used for calculation of all the tissue weights. Gestation age (in weeks) and pregnant weight will be used for calculating certain tissues' change during pregnancy such as uterus, kidney, fetal, adipose etc.

Weight gain during pregnancy. Red solid line represents the calculation in GastroPlus, the color coded diamonds are the observed weight gain for obese, overweight, normal weight and underweight subjects (Carmichael 1997)

# Pregnancy Model

For early pregnancy: 0-6 gestation weeks

PEAR Physiology

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New PEAR Physiology

Balance Model  Expand View

**PEAR Inputs**

Species: Human

Population: American

Gender: Female

Health Status: Pregnant

Age: years 30

**Weight Gain [kg]:** 0.89

Fetal Weight [kg]: 0.0005

Fetal CO [mL/s]: 0

Gestation Age [week]: 6

Fetus Gender: Male

Height [cm]: 162.2

**Weight [kg]:** 76.27 **Overwt**

BMI [kg/m<sup>2</sup>]: 28.9903

% Body Fat: 35.89

CO [mL/s]: 104.4137

**PEAR Outputs**

Name	Volume [mL]	Perfusion [mL/s]
Hepatic Artery	0.0000	9.5361
Lung	863.0109	104.4137
Arterial Supply	1614.2065	104.4137
Venous Return	3228.4129	104.4137
Adipose	37771.5942	18.8858
Muscle	17260.8337	8.6304
Liver	1474.0076	24.5673
ACAT Gut	0.0000	12.8010
Spleen	128.6666	2.2302
Heart	293.0641	4.6890
Brain	1355.9673	12.0274
Kidney	355.1918	20.2989
Skin	2232.4382	5.5811
ReproOrg	96.2603	0.3369
RedMarrow	1131.9725	5.6599
YellowMarrow	2983.4221	1.4917
RestOfBody	2754.8561	1.3774
Uterus	105.6562	0.8679

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For pregnancy: 7-43 gestation weeks

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Species: Human

Population: American

Gender: Female

Health Status: Pregnant

Age: years 30

Weight Gain [kg]: 11.27

**Fetal Weight [kg]:** 1.4063

**Fetal CO [mL/s]:** 11.750554

Gestation Age [week]: 30

Fetus Gender: Male

Height [cm]: 162.2

Weight [kg]: 86.65 **Obese**

BMI [kg/m<sup>2</sup>]: 32.9357

% Body Fat: 36.27

CO [mL/s]: 128.1165

**PEAR Outputs**

Name	Volume [mL]	Perfusion [mL/s]
Hepatic Artery	0.0000	9.5361
Lung	863.0109	128.1165
Arterial Supply	2157.5381	128.1165
Venous Return	4315.0762	128.1165
Adipose	43366.8134	21.6834
Muscle	16424.9494	8.2125
Liver	1474.0076	24.5673
ACAT Gut	0.0000	12.8010
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Heart	293.0641	4.6890
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Skin	2391.0108	5.9775
ReproOrg	96.2603	0.3369
RedMarrow	1131.9725	5.6599
YellowMarrow	2983.4221	1.4917
RestOfBody	3350.1413	1.6751
Uterus	804.6208	1.9327
PlacentaMaternal	231.9629	9.8531
Fetal	1406.3000	6.4268
PlacentaFetal	266.8821	5.3238
Fetal Arterial Supply	24.7590	11.7506
Fetal Venous Return	103.4533	11.7506
AmnioticFluid	723.2456	0.0000

Consistent with infant physiology

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# Population Simulator: Pregnancy

Population Simulator PEAR Settings

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PEAR Population Simulator Settings

Species: Human

Variability in both maternal and fetal physiologies will be included

**Human Sample Statistics**

Perform simple Monte-Carlo simulation (for uncertainty analysis)

**Maternal:**

Sample Population: American Health Status: Pregnant % Male: 0

Age between 20 years And 40 years

Weight Gain between 3 And 9 kg

Weight between 66.18 And 96.18 kg

BMI between 25.155 And 36.558 kg/m<sup>2</sup>

Height between 134.55 And 195.54 cm

**Fetal:**

% Male: 50

Gest Age between 15 And 25 weeks

Weight between 80 And 120 % Typical Weight

Height between 20 And 40 cm

Gestational age needs to fall within one of the two groups: less than 6 weeks or more than 6 weeks.

Typical Subject Characteristics:  
Female 20 years old: 69.92kg; 162.71cm; BMI=26.41  
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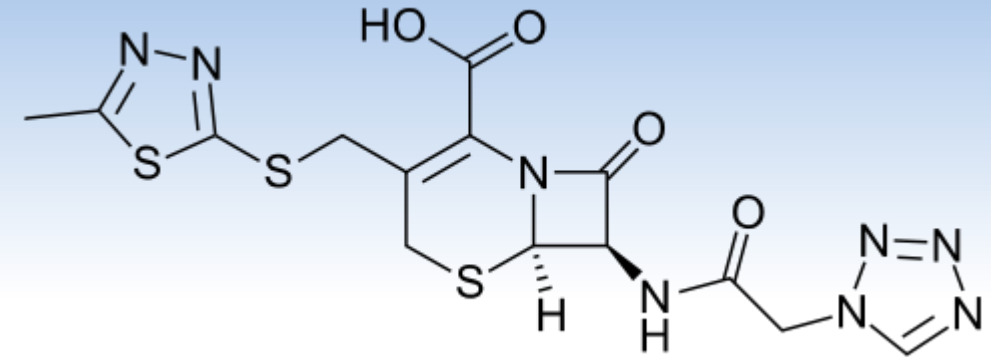
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Body weight is calculated from body weight and weight gain, the final BMI and weight range are posted here

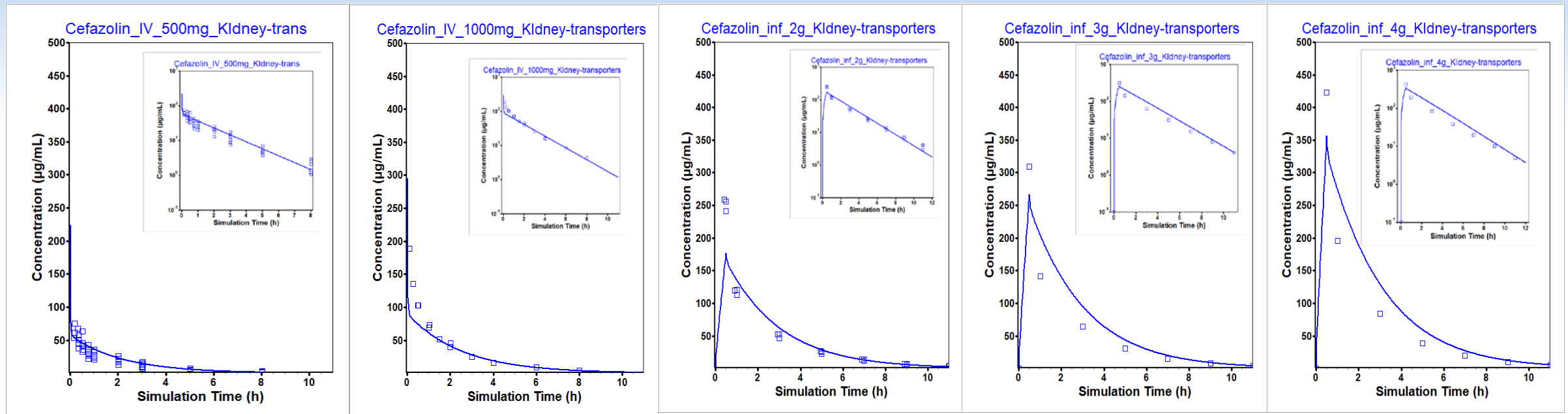
# Example: Cefazolin

- Widely used for antibacterial prophylaxis during several surgical procedures in pregnant women
- Urinary recovery of unchanged cefazolin constitutes 100% of the administered dose
- Renal elimination of cefazolin involves glomerular filtration and tubular secretion mediated by influx OATs 1/3 and efflux transporter MRP 4 (Km and Vmax values were fitted for healthy subjects). For Kidney filtration, the default  $f_{up} \cdot GFR$  is used.



# Example: Cefazolin

Baseline model was calibrated/validated against in vivo data from literature (healthy males)



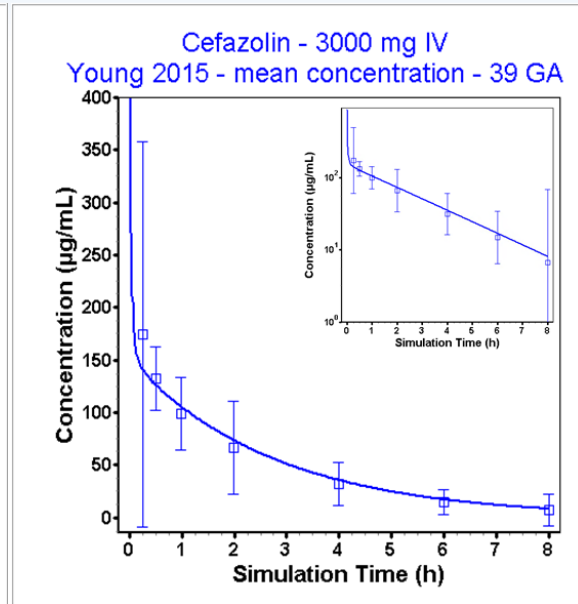
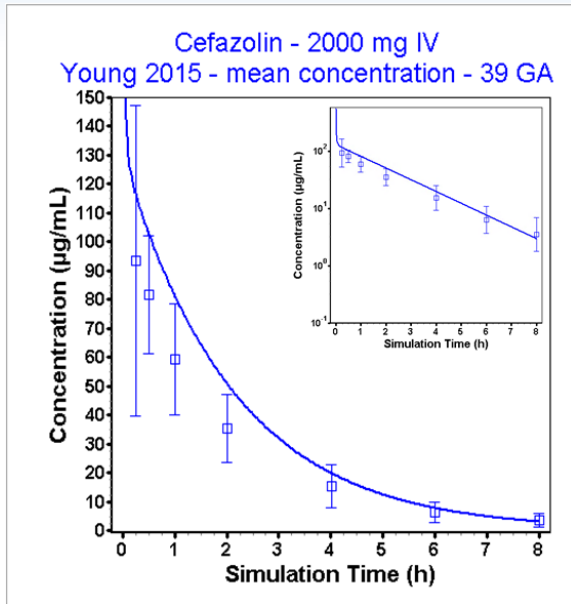
Observed Data: Philipson 1987 → 0.5 g IV; Rattie 1974 → 1 g IV; Smyth 1979 → 2; 3; 4 g IV

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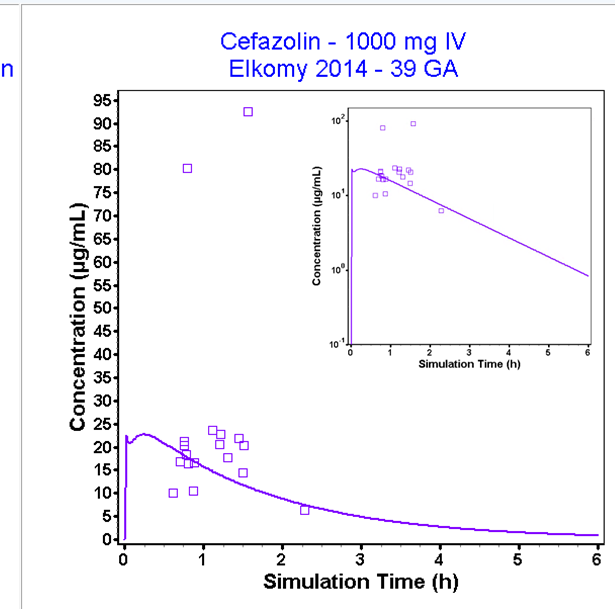
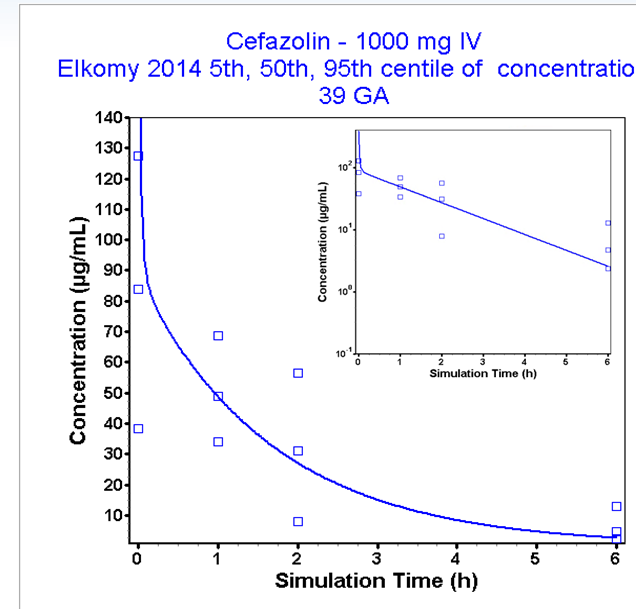
Validated model was then used to predict maternal and fetal PK

Cefazolin was administered to pregnant women before undergoing cesarean delivery

## Maternal plasma



## Maternal (left) and neonatal (right) plasma

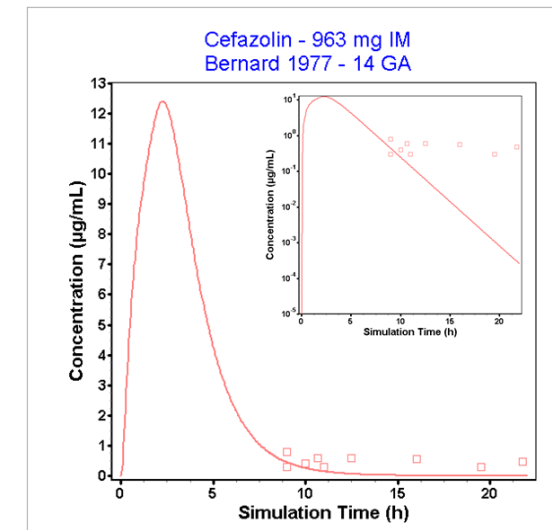
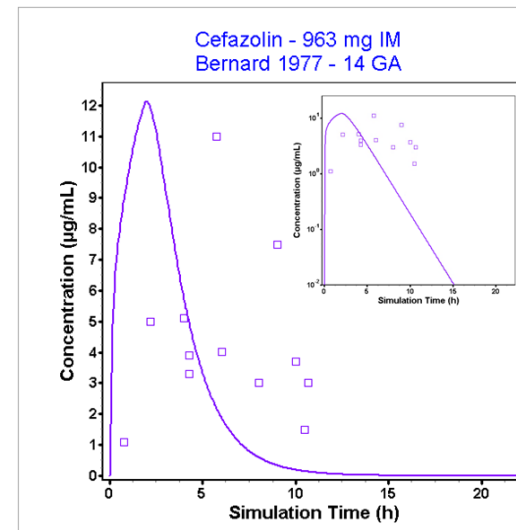
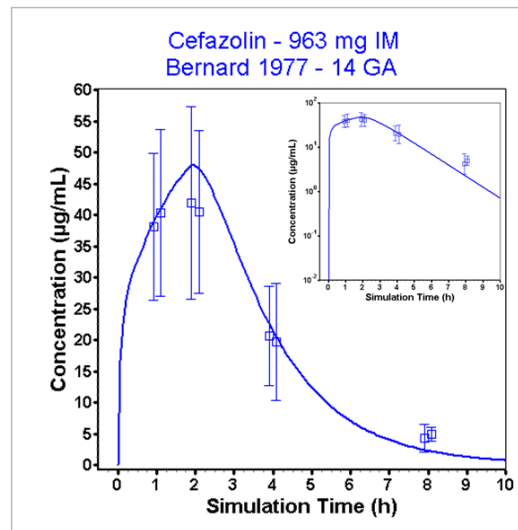
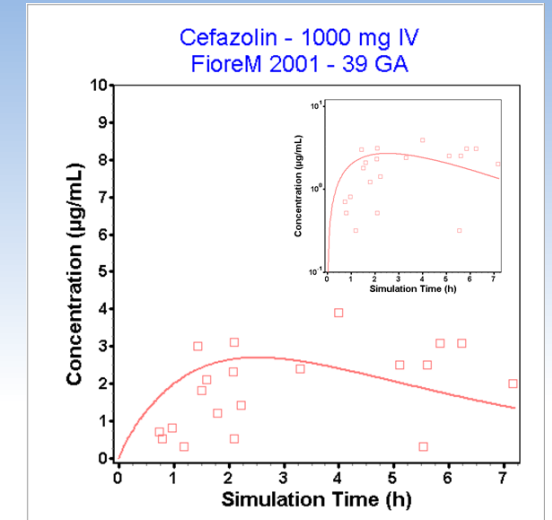
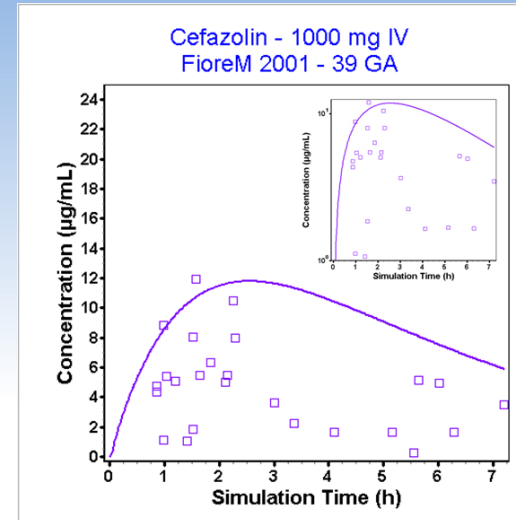
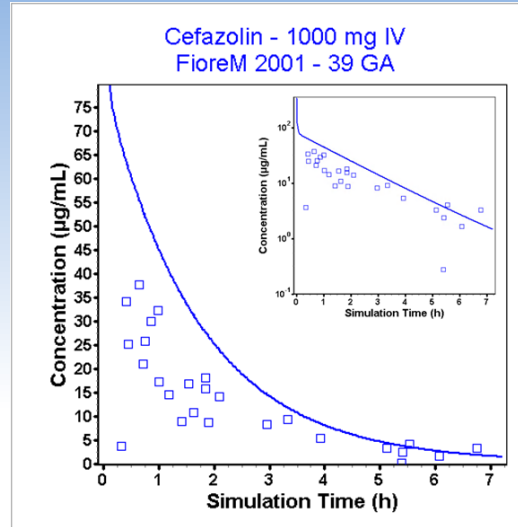


Observed Data: Young 2015; Elkomy 2014

# Example: Cefazolin

Maternal plasma (left), neonatal plasma (middle), amniotic fluid (right)

- Validated model was then used to predict maternal and fetal PK
- Cefazolin was administered to pregnant women (IV or IM) before undergoing elective cesarean delivery or hysterectomy





# Summary

## PBPK models are here to stay

- PBPK modeling is already being used routinely for first-in-human predictions, pharmaceutical development and drug-drug interaction evaluations
- PBPK models also provide a platform for predictions of exposure in special populations and have a potential to go beyond the major groups in focus today (pediatric, hepatic and renal impairment)

## PBPK models play well with others

- PBPK can be used as complimentary approach to PopPK modeling, especially for groups where it is difficult to obtain PK data in large cohort
- With predictions of individual tissue concentrations, the simulated profiles can be linked with QSP/QST models to simulate the local effects of administered drug.

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