

Using PBPK modeling to assess the impact of diseases on oral drug absorption: case study in HIV-infected patients

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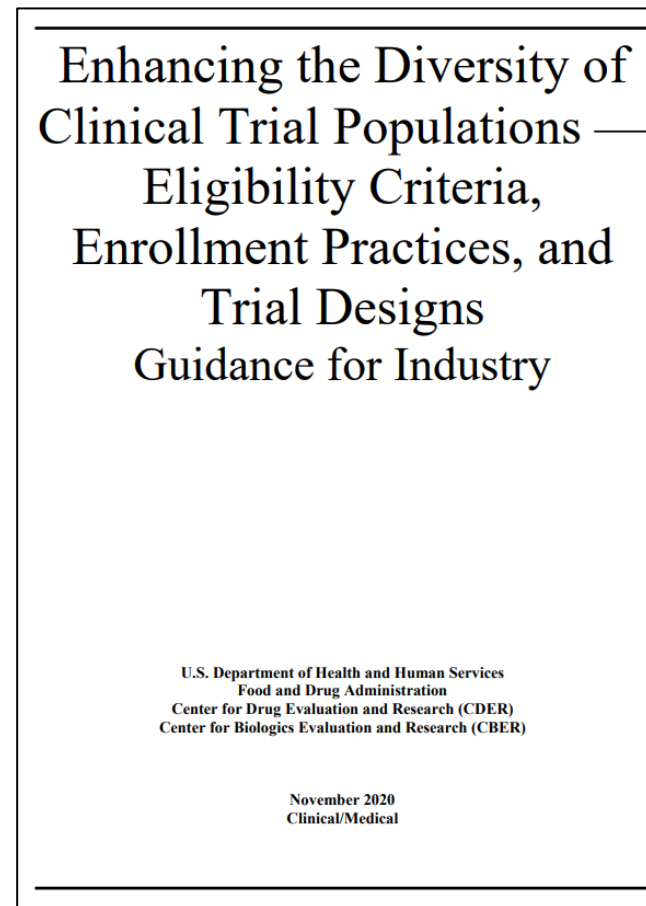
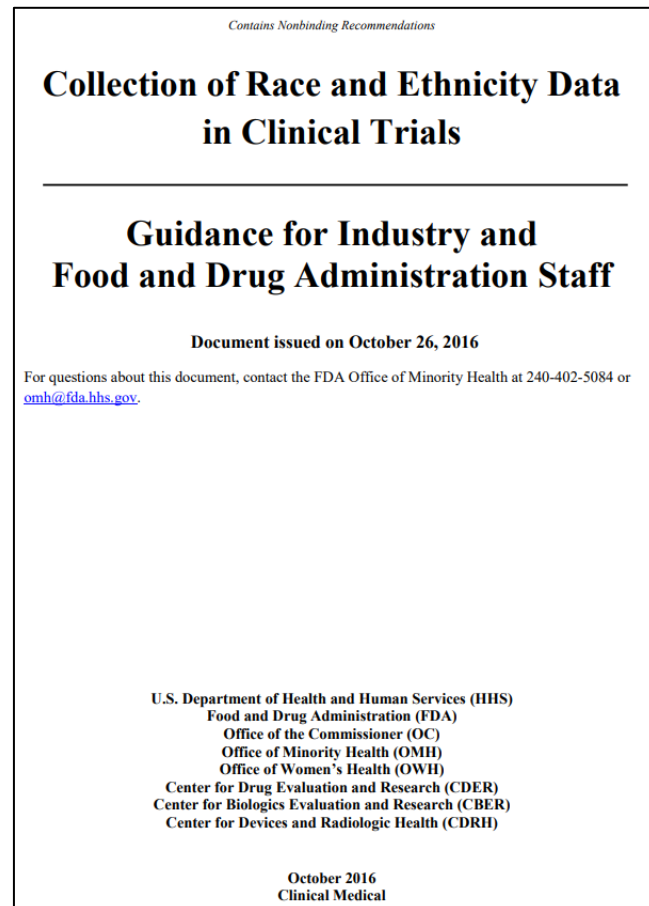
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Background

- 2012 - Food and Drug Safety and Innovation Act (FDASIA)
- Sec. 907 requires the FDA to provide Congress with an action plan enhancing diversity of clinical trial populations



Background

- Significant efforts have been made by patient organizations, academicians and clinical pharmacology societies

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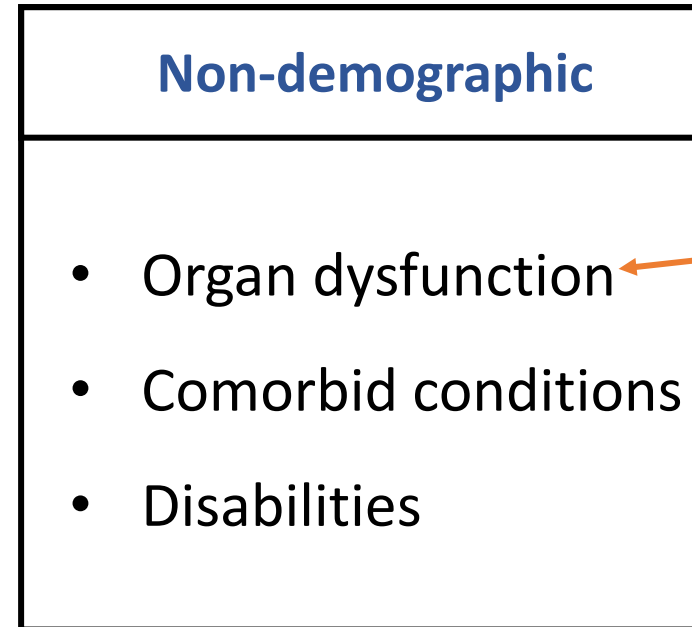
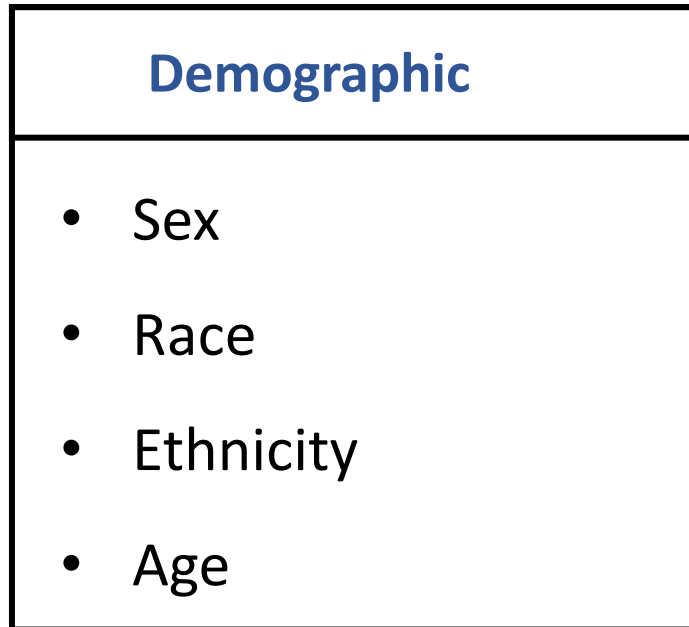
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- Clinical pharmacology in vulnerable populations
- Transgender studies
- Pharmacogenomic studies in minority populations
- **Challenges** and **opportunities** for clinical pharmacology research in minority populations

Background

- Two complementary perspectives



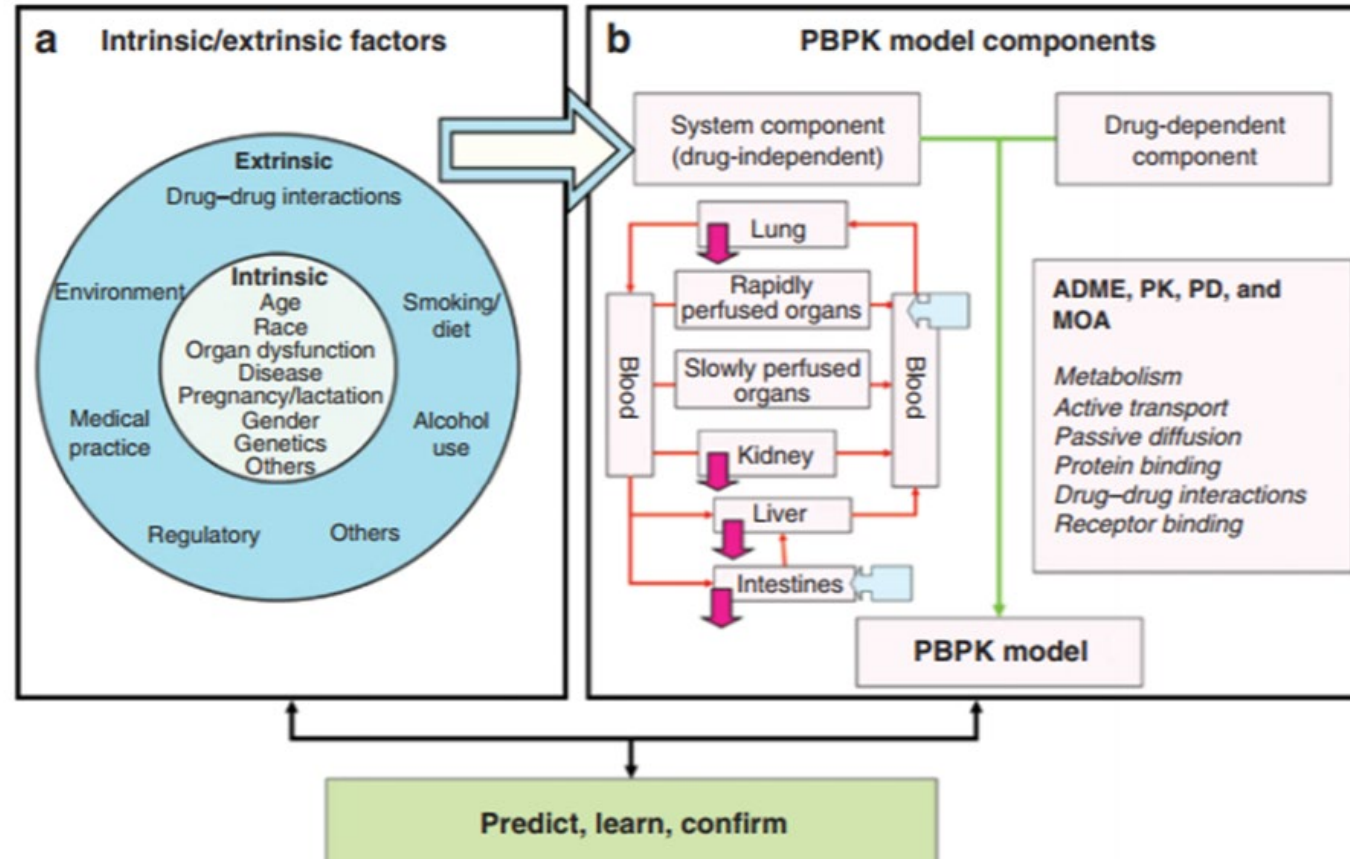
PBPK modeling

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- Enhancing diversity may be challenging for drugs showing a wide “prescribability” potential
 - Antimicrobials
 - Anti-inflammatory drugs

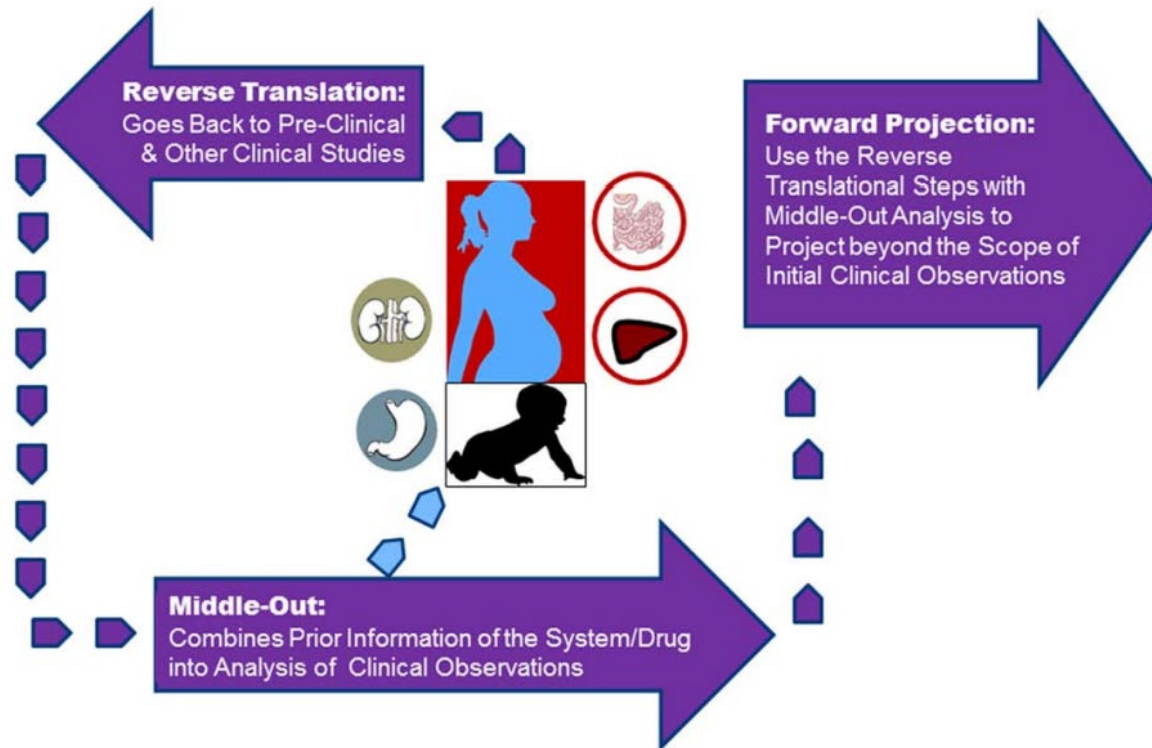
PBPK modeling & extrapolation

- Separation between drug- and system-related parameters



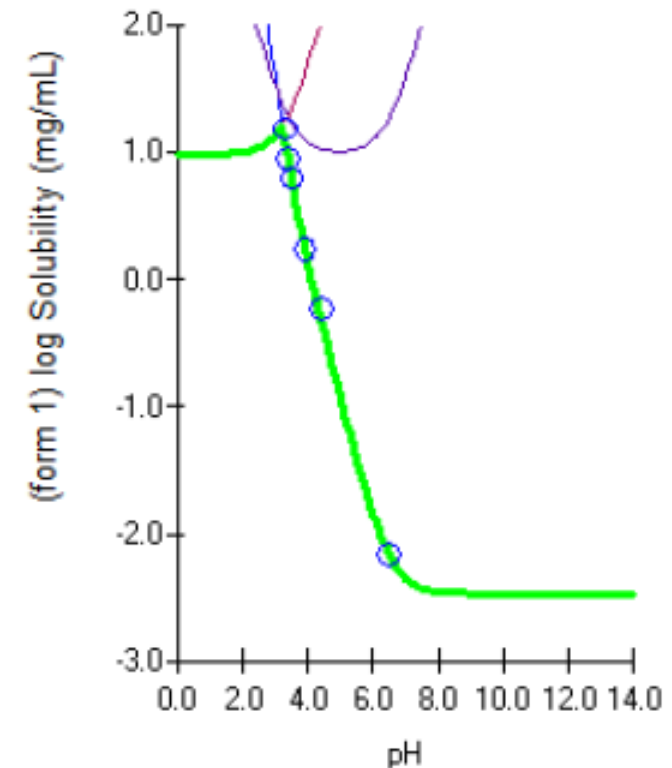
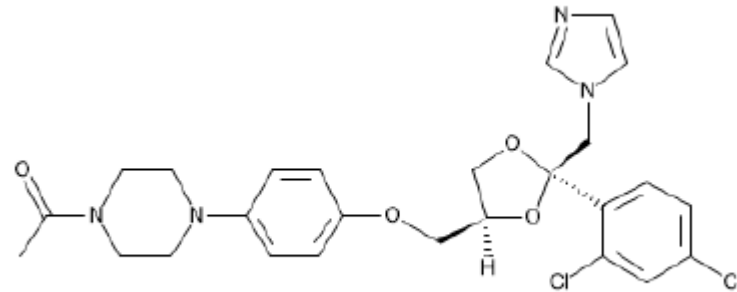
PBPK modeling & extrapolation

- Reverse translation approach



Case study

- Ketoconazole (BCS II weak base)
 - Dose-dependent precipitation kinetics
 - Dose-dependent metabolism
 - $\text{LogP} = 3.73$
 - $\text{pka} = 3.4$ and 6.51
 - $f_u = 1\%$
 - $\text{BP} = 0.6$



Model-based analysis of *in vitro* data

- Estimate fundamental parameters (deconvolution)

Process	In vitro system	Models	Fundamental parameters
Metabolism	Hepatocytes, human liver microsomes or recombinant enzymes	Michaelis-Menten model	K_m and V_{max}
Uptake Transport	Overexpressing cell lines suspended or plated	Mechanistic compartmental uptake models	CL_{diff} , $f_{u,cell}$, K_m and V_{max}
Dissolution / Precipitation	One- or multi-stage dissolution apparatuses	Diffusion layer models, Z-factor, Mooney model, biphasic dissolution model, transfer model, transmembrane flux model, etc.	Dependent on apparatus and model choice

IVIVE of precipitation



- Model-based analysis of *in vitro* precipitation data from different systems
 - Ketoconazole fully dissolved in the donor compartment

Dumping test

Stomach (HCl solution)

Small Intestine (FaSSIF-V2)

Closed system

$$\frac{dM_i}{dt} = \left(\frac{V_i}{T_{precip}} \right) (C_i - S_i)$$

Transmembrane flux

20 mL Acceptor Sink Buffer

20 mL Level II FaSSIF V2

Donor Phase

UWL Donor

Membrane

UWL Receiver

Receiver

$$j_{overall} = \frac{D_A D_o D_R K_{od}}{D_A D_R h_o + D_o (D_R h_d K_{od} + D_A h_r K_{or})} (C_d - K_r C_r)$$

Biphasic dissolution

40 mL Decanol

40 mL Level II FaSSIF V2

Aqueous

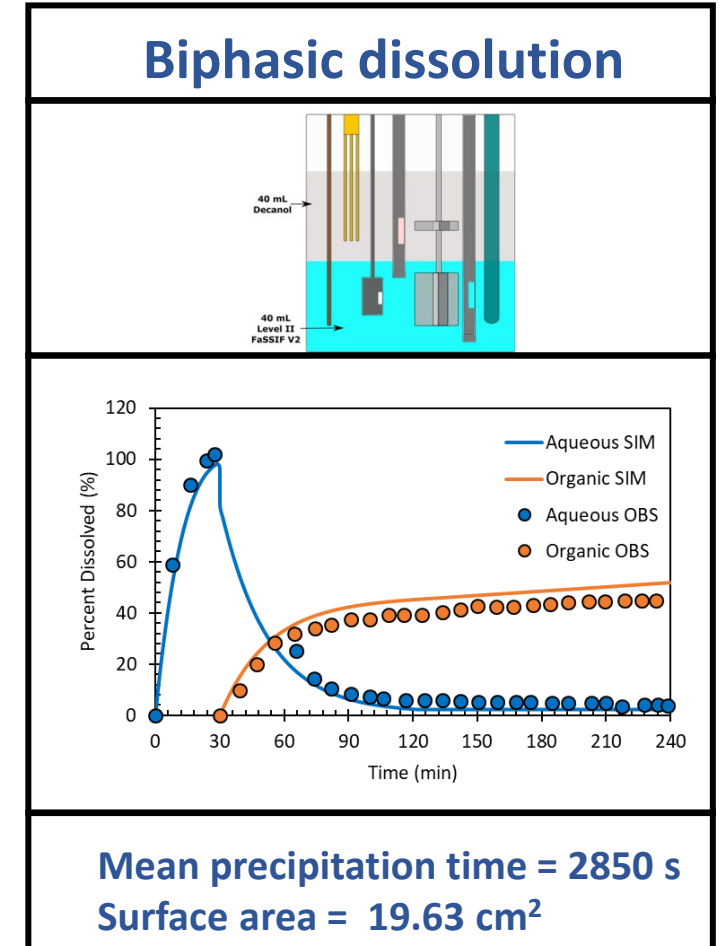
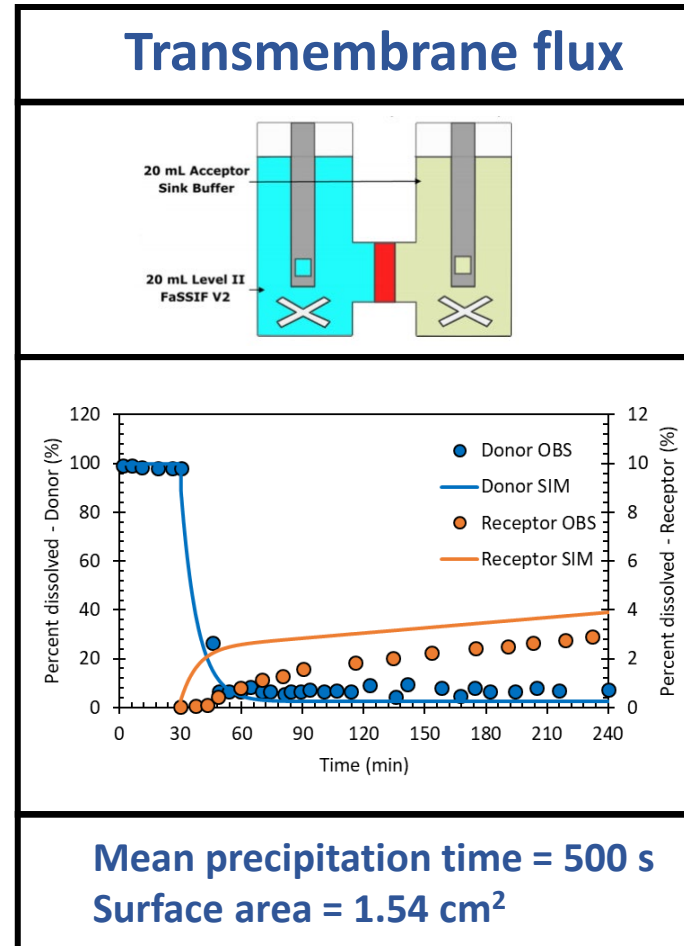
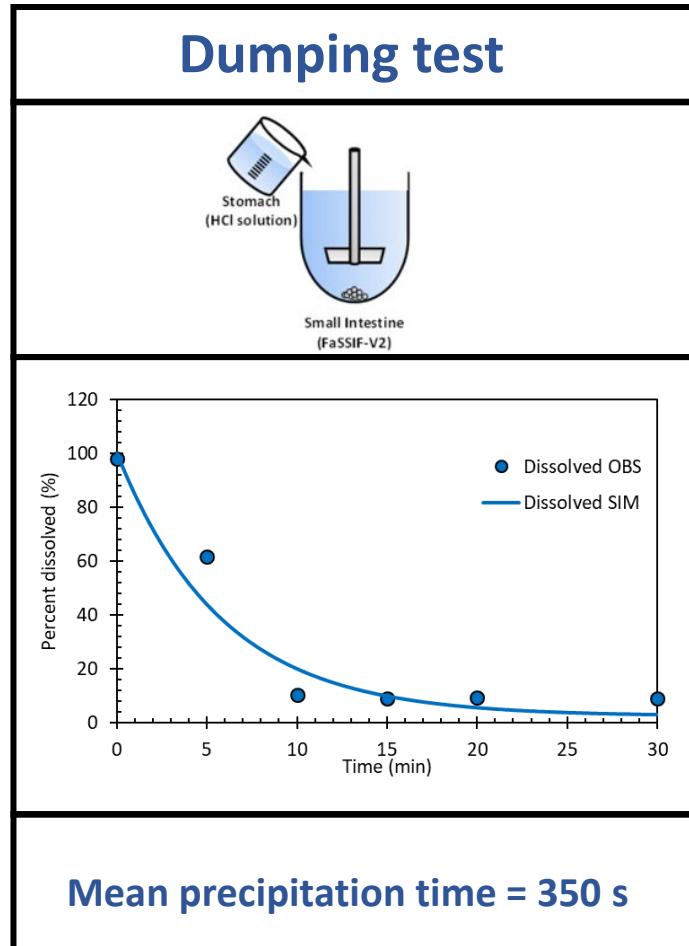
Organic

$$\frac{dm_o}{dt} = \frac{k_A k_o K_{o:w}}{k_A + k_o K_{o:w}} A_I \left(C_A - \frac{C_o}{K_{o:w}} \right)$$

IVIVE of precipitation



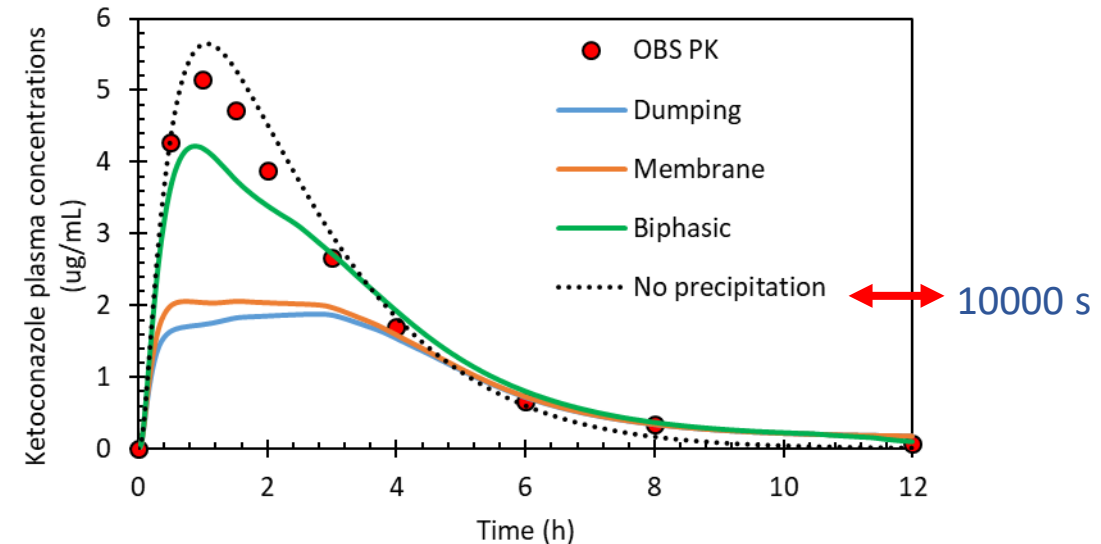
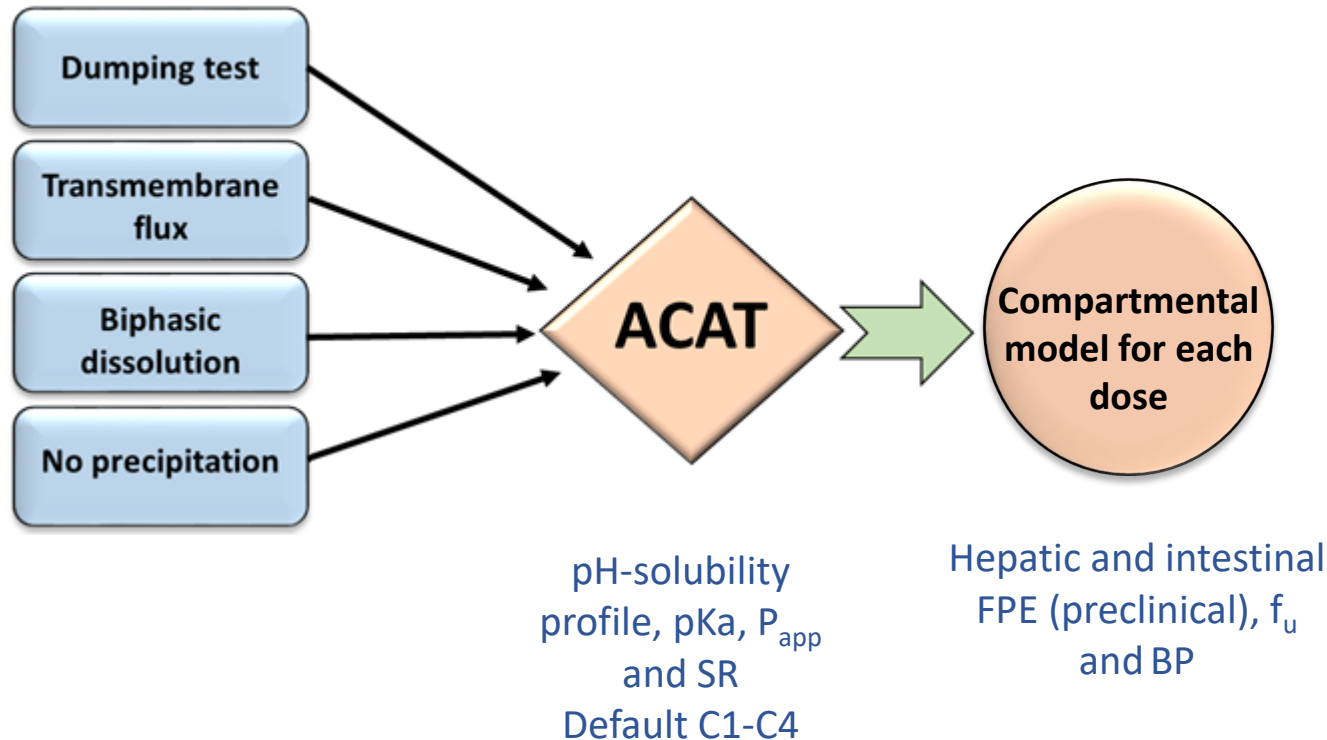
- Model-based analysis of *in vitro* precipitation data from different systems
 - First-order precipitation model



IVIVE of precipitation



- IVIVE-PBPK modeling
 - Ketoconazole solution 200 mg – healthy adults under fasting conditions
 - Different *in vitro* systems, different results



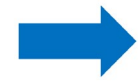
200 mg

OBS $AUC_{0-inf} = 17.9$ ug.h/mL

SIM $AUC_{0-inf} = 12.7$ ug.h/mL

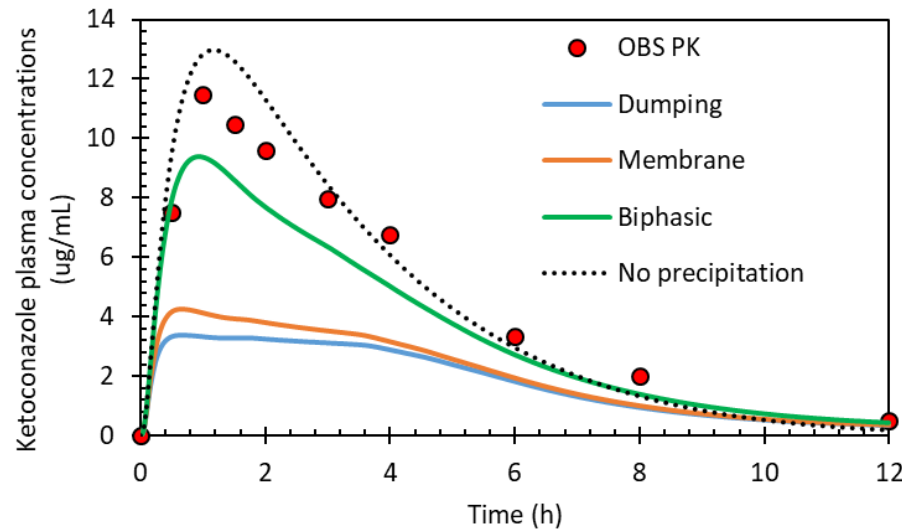
CL/F = 12 L/h

IVIVE of precipitation



- IVIVE-PBPK modeling

- Ketoconazole solution 400 and 800 mg – healthy adults under fasting conditions
 - Dose-dependent precipitation rate

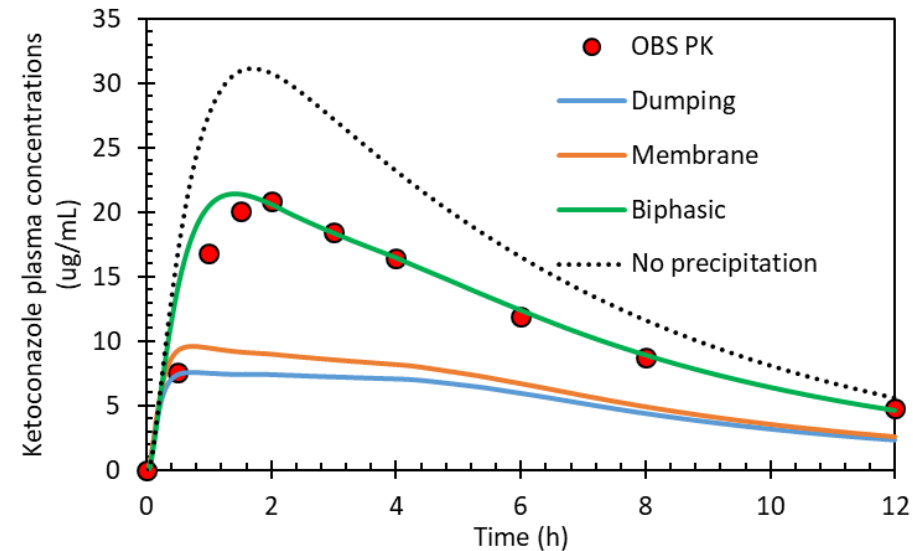


400 mg

OBS $AUC_{0-inf} = 55 \text{ ug.h/mL}$

SIM $AUC_{0-inf} = 42 \text{ ug.h/mL}$

CL/F = 7.3 L/h



800 mg

OBS $AUC_{0-inf} = 172 \text{ ug.h/mL}$

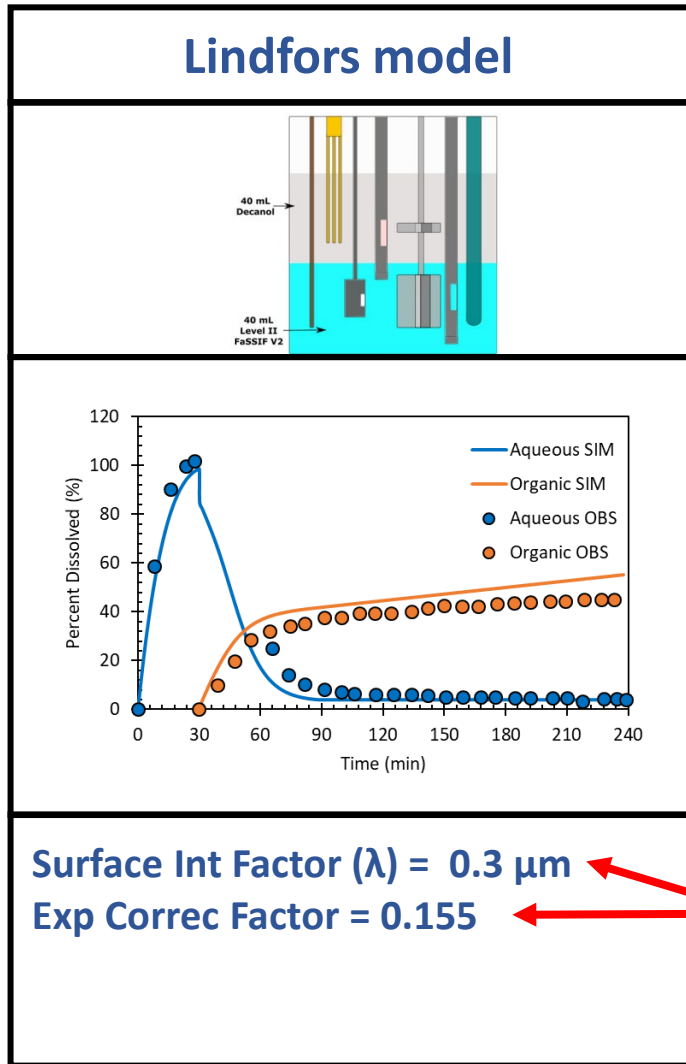
SIM $AUC_{0-inf} = 176 \text{ ug.h/mL}$

CL/F = 4.5 L/h

IVIVE of precipitation



- Mechanistic model-based analysis of *in vitro* biphasic dissolution data



Fitted

$$J = \text{Pre-exponential Term} * e^{\text{Exponential Term}}$$

Pre-exponential Term:

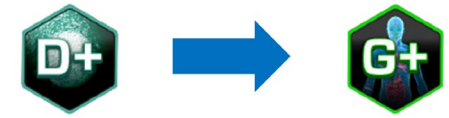
$$D_{mono} N_{Av} C^2 \left(\frac{k_B T}{\gamma} \right)^{1/2} \ln \left(\frac{c}{S} \right) \frac{R^*}{R^* + \lambda}$$

Exponential Term:

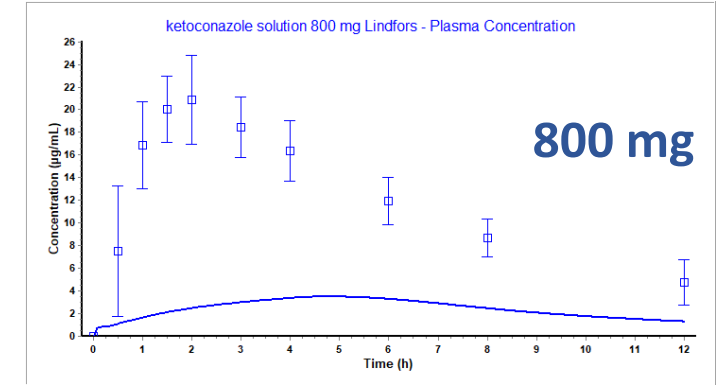
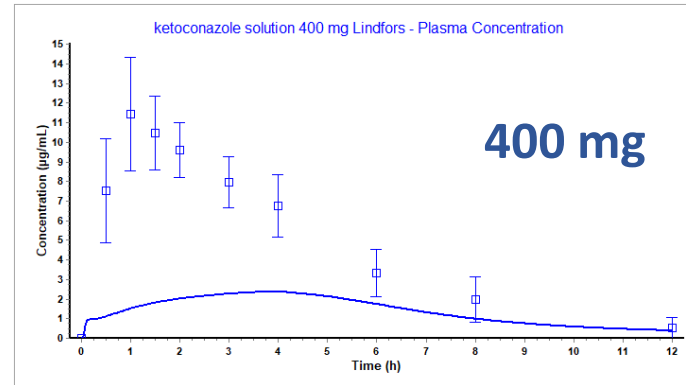
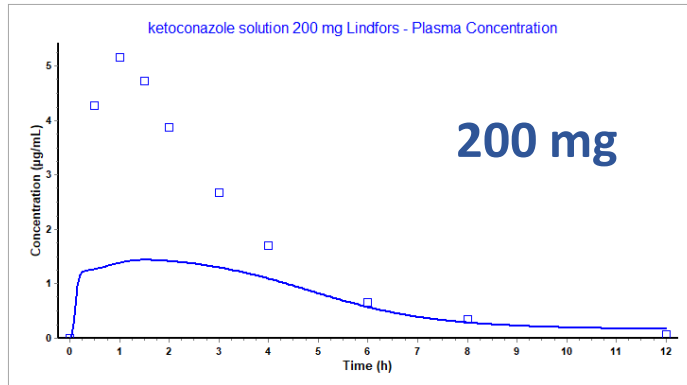
$$- \text{ExpCorr} \frac{16\pi}{3} \left(\frac{\gamma}{k_B T} \right)^3 \frac{v_m^2}{\ln \left(\frac{c}{S} \right)^2}$$

O'Dwyer et al, 2020. *Pharmaceutics* 12:272
 Lindfors et al, 2008. *Colloid Interf Sci* 325(2):404

IVIVE of precipitation



- 200 – 800 mg oral solution
- Lindfors parameters estimated from *in vitro* data
 - Interf_Tension = 0.0191 J/m²; Surface Int Factor = 0.3 μm; Exp Correc Factor = 0.155
 - Forward IVIVE failed

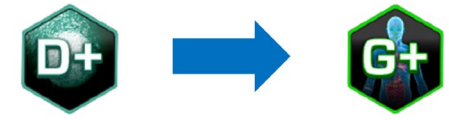


Comp Name	Rad of 1st Nucl (um)	Max Rad of Nucl (um)	SSR at Nucl	Time Nucl (h)	SSR Max	Time SSR Max (h)
Stomach	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Duodenum	3.01E-3	8.292	9.231	0.028	23.62	0.116
Jejunum 1	0.796	5.654	1.510	0.084	3.623	0.185
Jejunum 2	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Ileum 1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Ileum 2	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Ileum 3	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Caecum	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Asc Colon	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1

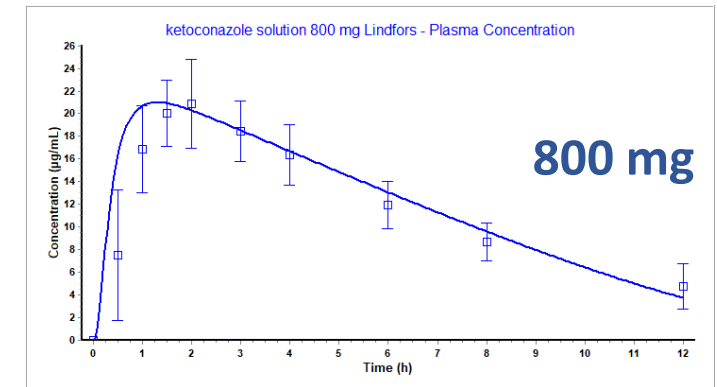
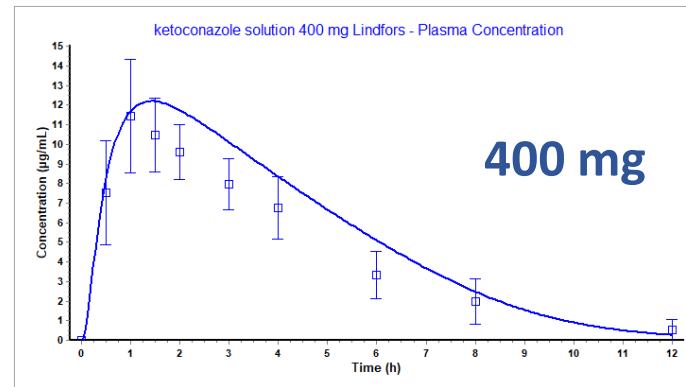
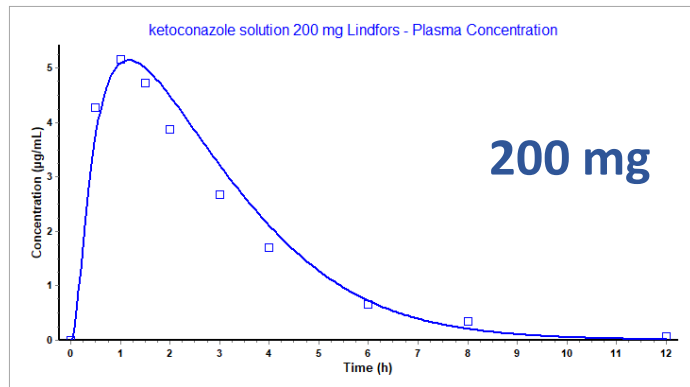
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Duodenum	2.96E-3	6.400	9.605	0.013	31.97	0.060
Jejunum 1	0.868	3.392	1.516	0.056	2.583	0.097
Jejunum 2	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Ileum 1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Ileum 2	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Ileum 3	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
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Duodenum	2.93E-3	5.601	9.815	6.55E-3	41.13	0.034
Jejunum 1	0.965	2.385	1.510	0.038	1.957	0.060
Jejunum 2	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Ileum 1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Ileum 2	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Ileum 3	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Caecum	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
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IVIVE of precipitation



- 200 – 800 mg oral solution
- Lindfors' parameters fitted to 200-800 mg oral PK profile
 - Gaining confidence using a reverse translation approach

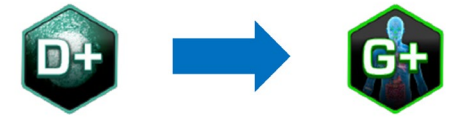


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Duodenum	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Jejunum 1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Jejunum 2	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
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Stomach	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Duodenum	1.65E-3	48.78	54.30	0.164	55.21	0.199
Jejunum 1	8.309	47.46	13.29	0.262	17.64	0.475
Jejunum 2	26.12	44.81	7.249	0.613	7.736	0.763
Ileum 1	35.13	42.25	4.667	1.141	4.667	1.141
Ileum 2	38.55	38.86	2.521	1.679	2.521	1.679
Ileum 3	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Caecum	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
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Stomach	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
Duodenum	7.09E-3	110.3	62.46	0.054	110.0	0.194
Jejunum 1	1.950	93.43	4.890	0.074	32.06	0.402
Jejunum 2	12.01	88.29	2.248	0.184	12.66	0.640
Ileum 1	30.13	84.59	2.244	0.377	7.231	0.875
Ileum 2	44.90	81.12	2.232	0.623	4.462	1.085
Ileum 3	43.89	83.01	2.228	0.680	6.095	1.266
Caecum	58.04	74.25	2.240	1.136	2.860	1.480
Asc Colon	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1

IVIVE of precipitation



- From a ACAT-compartmental to a full PKPK model
- Simultaneous fit of 200-800 mg data
 - V_{\max}
 - K_m
- Captured non-linear metabolism
 - 4-fold increase in dose
 - 9-fold increase in $AUC_{0-\infty}$

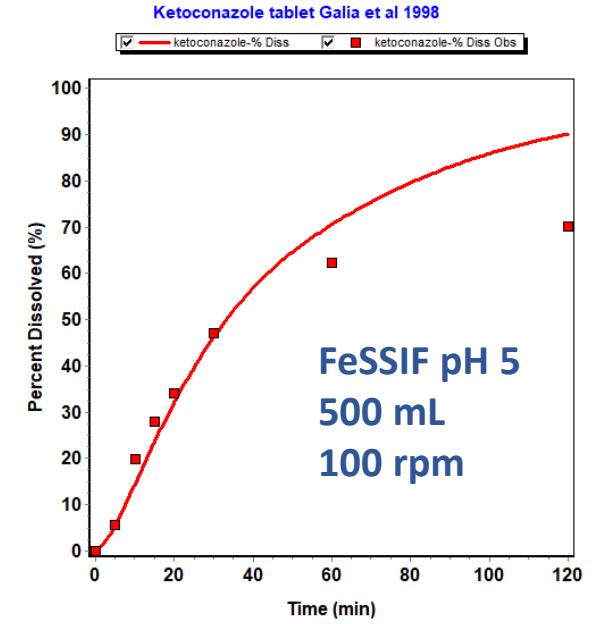
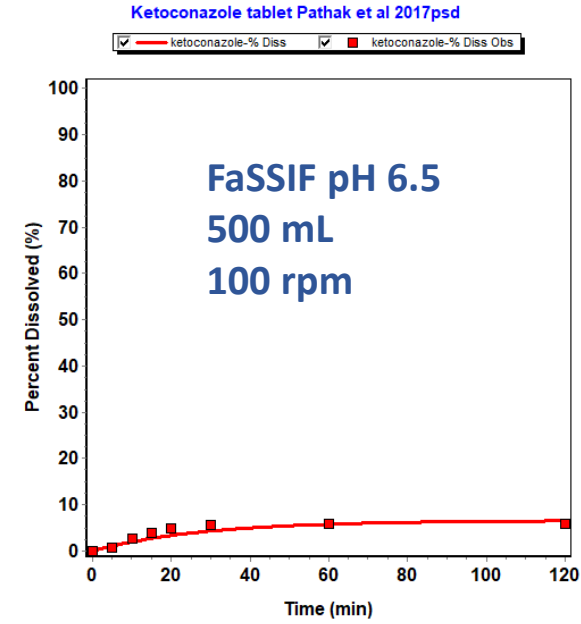
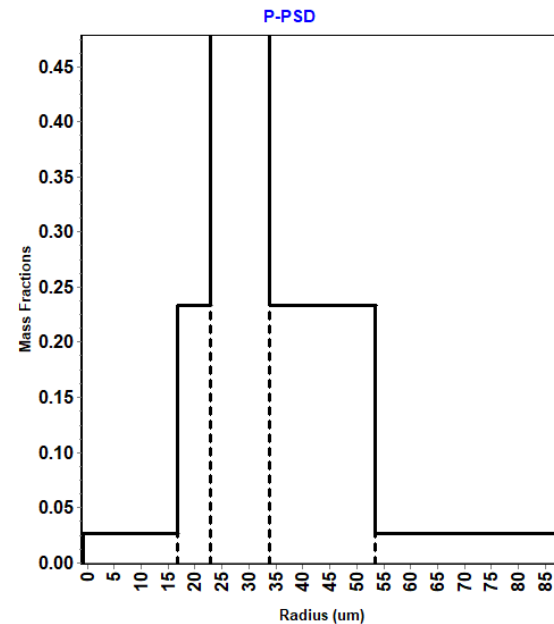
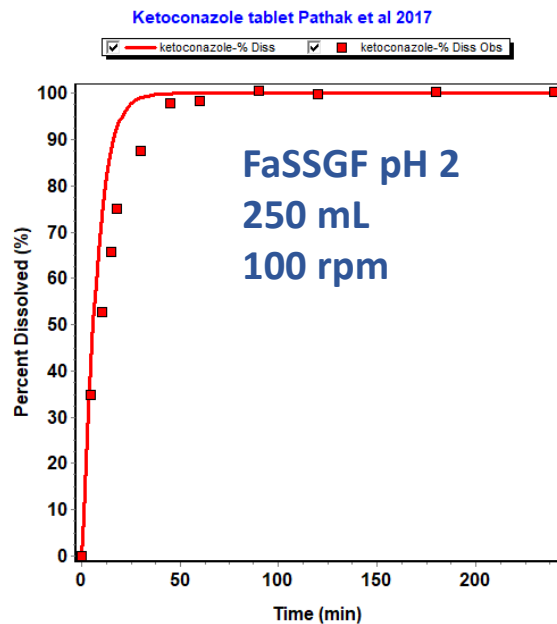
Doses	Parameter	SIM	OBS	Ratio
200 mg	C_{\max}	5.1	5.2	0.98
	$AUC_{0-\infty}$	18.4	17.9	1.03
	$AUC_{0-\infty}/\text{dose}$	0.092	0.0895	1.03
400 mg	C_{\max}	12.2	11.5	1.06
	$AUC_{0-\infty}$	64.7	55.2	1.17
	$AUC_{0-\infty}/\text{dose}$	0.162	0.138	1.17
800 mg	C_{\max}	21.0	20.9	1.00
	$AUC_{0-\infty}$	161.5	172.3	0.94
	$AUC_{0-\infty}/\text{dose}$	0.202	0.215	0.94

IVIVE of dissolution

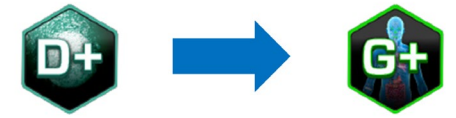


- Model-based analysis of *in vitro* dissolution data
 - Johnson model (modified version of the Nernst-Bruner model): dissolution of spherical and cylindrical particles
 - Derive P-PSD

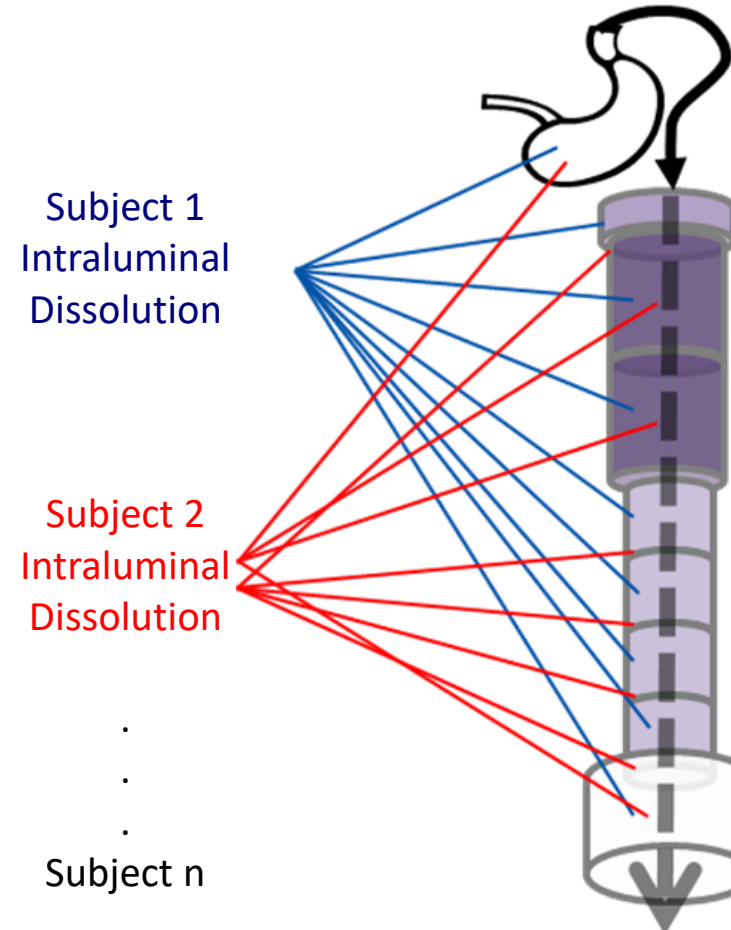
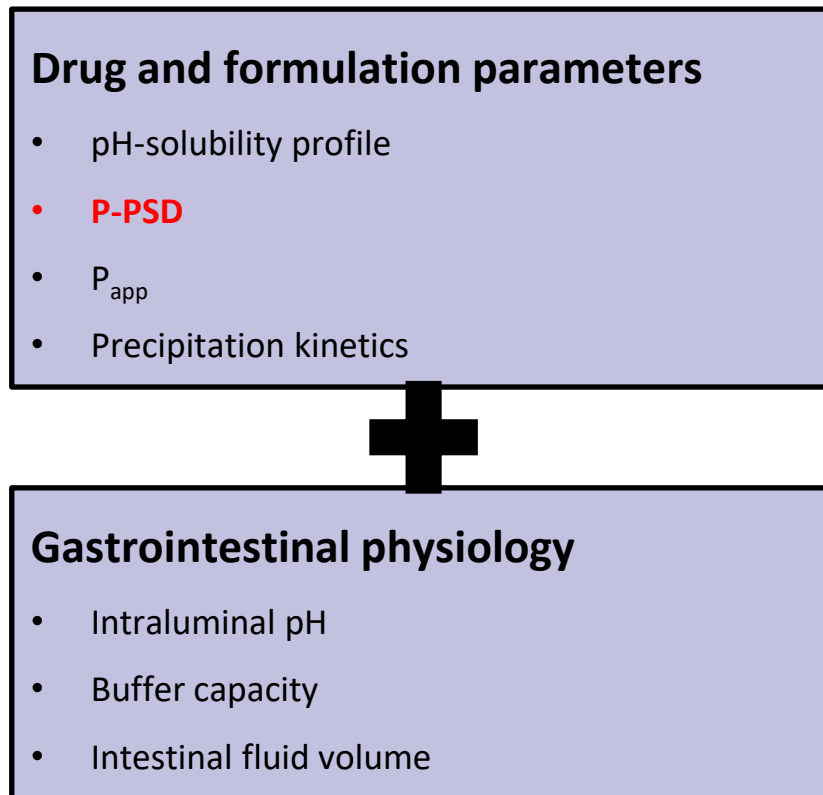
$$\frac{dM_D}{dt} = \frac{D_w}{\rho h r_t} \frac{(1+2s)}{s} (C_s - C_l) M_{u,t}$$



IVIVE of dissolution



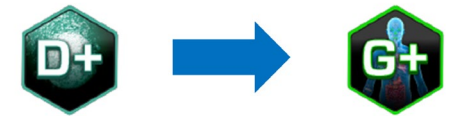
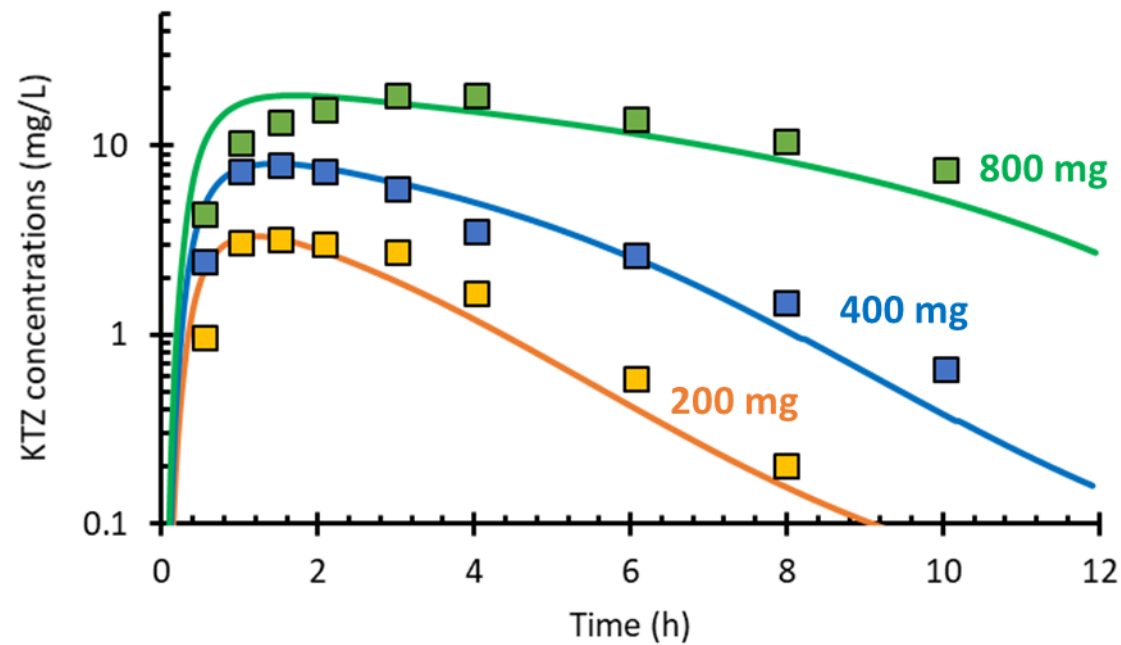
- Integrating drug and formulation parameters with physiology (convolution)
 - Simulating *in vivo* dissolution profiles



IVIVE of dissolution

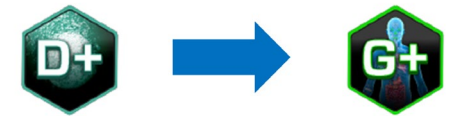
- Ketoconazole tablets 200 – 800 mg fasted PK profiles

- P-PSD

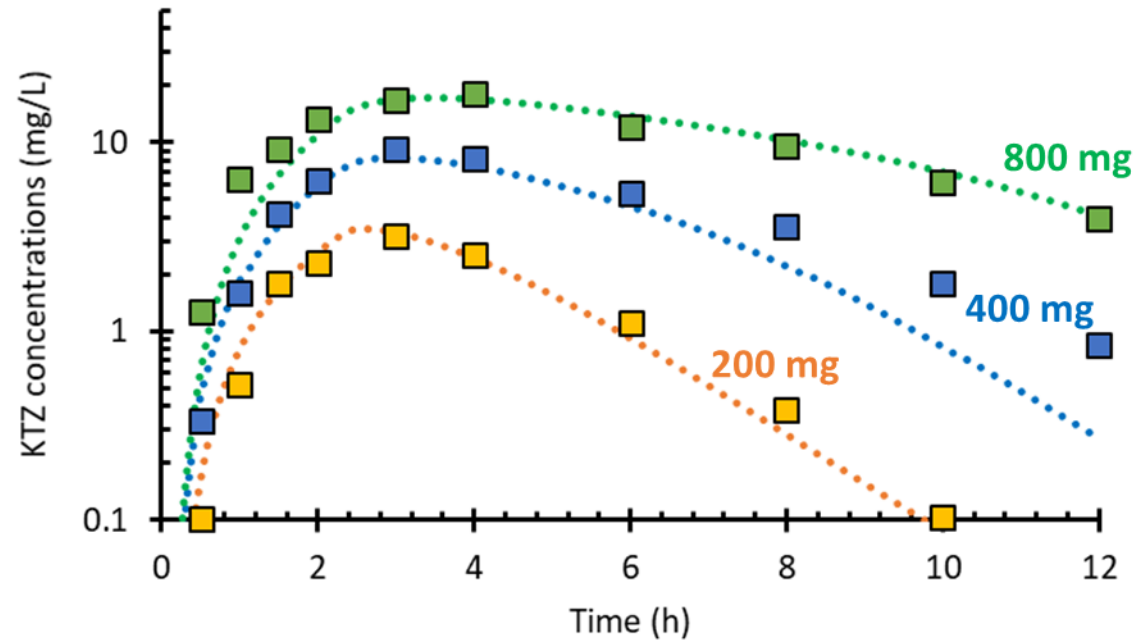


Doses	Parameter	SIM	OBS	Ratio
200 mg	C_{max}	3.3	3.2	0.95
	AUC_{0-t}	11.1	12.5	0.89
	AUC_{0-inf}	11.3	12.9	0.88
	T_{max}	1.2	1.5	0.8
400 mg	C_{max}	8.0	7.9	1.01
	AUC_{0-t}	36.2	35.2	1.03
	AUC_{0-inf}	36.5	35.8	1.02
	T_{max}	1.4	1.6	0.88
800 mg	C_{max}	18.4	18.5	0.99
	AUC_{0-t}	134.2	159.2	0.84
	AUC_{0-inf}	127.4	140.1	0.91
	T_{max}	1.8	3	0.6

IVIVE of dissolution



- Ketoconazole tablets 200 – 800 mg fed PK profiles
 - P-PSD



Doses	Parameter	SIM	OBS	Ratio
200 mg	C_{max}	3.5	3.2	1.01
	AUC_{0-t}	12.8	13.0	0.98
	AUC_{0-inf}	12.9	13.2	0.98
	T_{max}	2.6	3.0	0.87
400 mg	C_{max}	8.2	9.2	0.89
	AUC_{0-t}	41	51.5	0.80
	AUC_{0-inf}	41.3	53.8	0.80
	T_{max}	2.9	3.0	0.97
800 mg	C_{max}	17.4	17.9	0.97
	AUC_{0-t}	123.5	120.9	1.02
	AUC_{0-inf}	136.3	138.7	0.98
	T_{max}	3.5	4	0.88

Forward projection - application

- HIV-infected individuals with CD4 T cell count > 200 cells/ μ l
 - Less susceptible to infections in the GI tract
 - Weighted mean gastric pH = 3.46 and SD = 0.35
- HIV-infected individuals with CD4 T cell count < 200 cells/ μ l (AIDS)
 - Weak immune systems
 - Susceptible to infections in the GI tract
 - Weighted mean gastric pH = 4.85 and SD = 1.29
- Control individuals
 - No infection
 - Gastric pH 1.5 – 2.9

Forward projection - application

- HIV-infected individuals with CD4 T cell count < 200 cells/ μ l
 - GET is \approx 3-fold slower in the presence of opportunistic GI infection

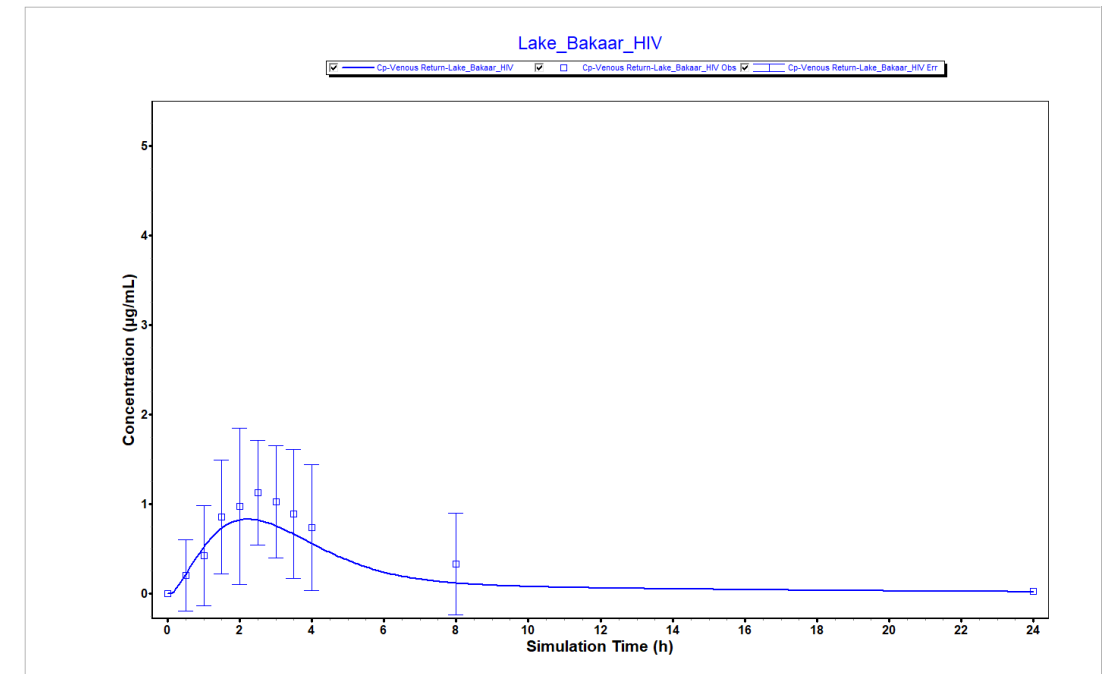
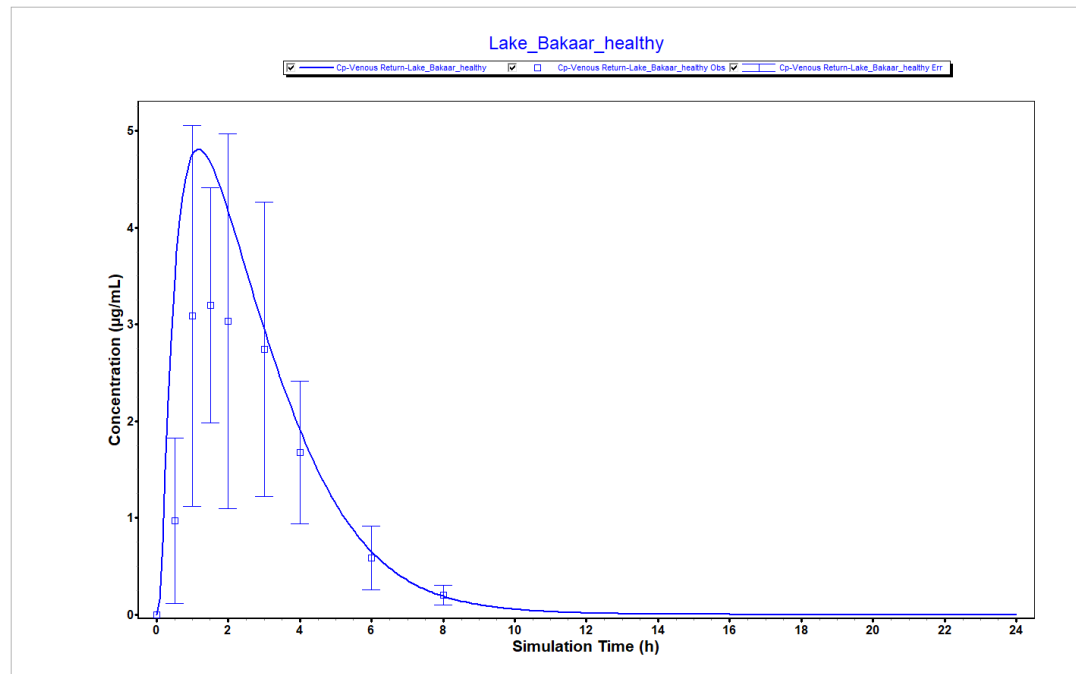
TABLE 1. CLINICAL CHARACTERISTICS AND GASTRIC EMPTYING DATA OF HIV SEROPOSITIVE SUBJECTS AND HIV SERONEGATIVE CONTROLS*

	Controls	HIV(+)	P	HIV(+)		P
				Enteric pathogens	No enteric pathogens	
Subjects (N)	12	54		20	34	
Age (yr)	30.9 (0.75)	38.0 (1.14)	0.0052	39.95 (2.02)	36.85 (1.34)	0.19
CD4 (count/mm ³)	NA	166.1 (26.74)		44.8 (18.4)	237.5 (35.9)	0.0002
Gastric symptoms (15)	0.08 (0.08)	6.55 (0.5)	<0.0001	7.47 (0.79)	6.45 (0.58)	0.29
BMI (kg/m ²)	23.42 (0.37)	20.8 (0.38)	0.0022	20.1 (0.6)	21.2 (0.46)	0.15
Weight loss (%)	0	8.41 (1.44)		12.4 (2.6)	6.1 (1.5)	0.007
Gastric T _{1/2} (min)	65.67 (5.07)	116.4 (11.9)	0.0024	163.4 (26.3)	88.8 (8.1)	0.0128
SI (min)	-3.9 (5.94)	3.01 (4.79)	0.52	13.03 (10.4)	-2.89 (4.36)	0.17
GE gradient (%/min)	-0.751 (0.044)	-0.499 (0.032)	0.0007	-0.42 (0.04)	-0.57 (0.03)	0.0038
Proximal/total GE gradient (%/min)	1.033 (0.084)	1.367 (0.083)	0.07	1.38 (0.17)	1.36 (0.09)	0.93

* Results are expressed as mean (SE).

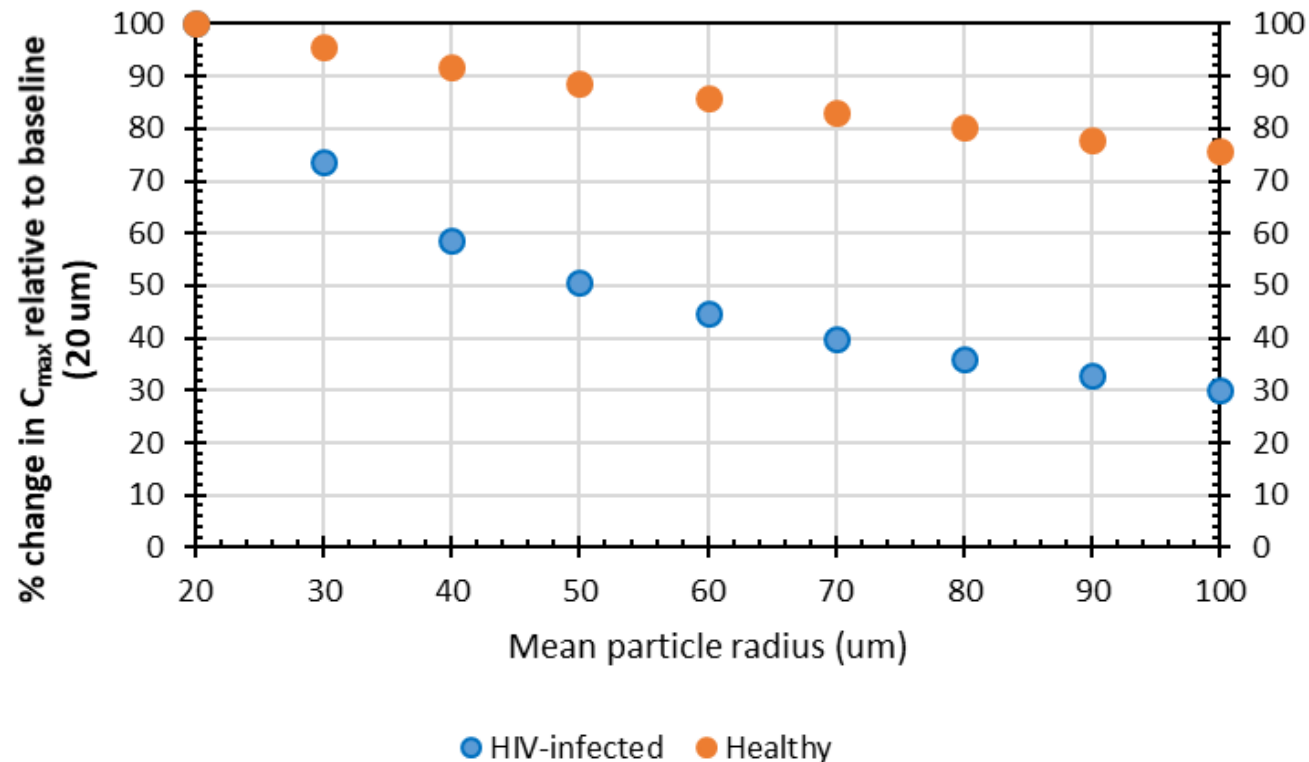
Forward projection - application

- HIV-infected individuals with CD4 T cell count < 200 cells/ μ l
 - Ketoconazole tablets 200 mg (fasting)



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- HIV-infected individuals with CD4 T cell count < 200 cells/ μ l
 - PSA
 - C_{\max} in HIV-infected is more sensitive to P-PSD than C_{\max} in healthy adults



Summary

- Model-based analysis of *in vitro* data is helpful to derive fundamental input parameters for PBPK models;
- Generalization of first-order precipitation rate across different doses is not straightforward;
 - Dose-dependent precipitation
- Forward translation of *in vitro* precipitation data using Lindfors model requires further research;
- Gaining experience in the translatability of drug-specific parameters is needed to inform forward projections;
- We were able to recapitulate the impact of HIV infection on ketoconazole oral absorption;
 - Model performance may be limited by knowledge gaps related to system parameters
- PBPK modeling may be useful to gain mechanistic insights on the impact of comorbid conditions on the exposure of the investigational drug and help assessing the risks related to enhancing diversity of clinical trial populations

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