

# **Application of Physiologically-based Pharmacokinetic Modeling to Support Dosing Recommendations – The US Food and Drug Administration Experience**

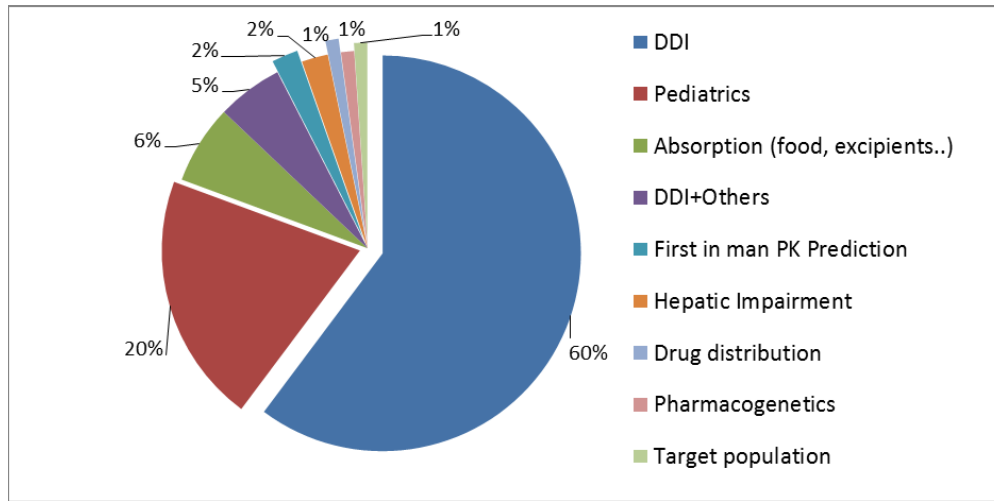
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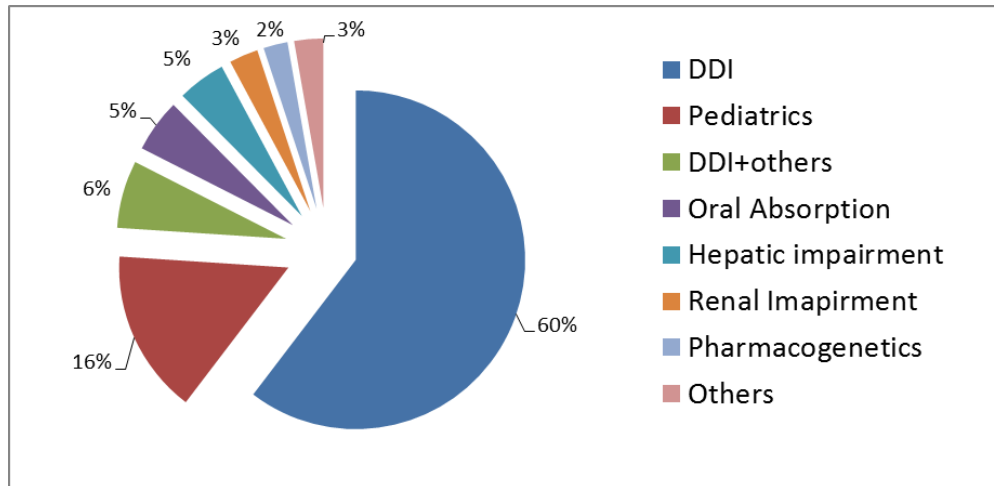
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# By sponsors, how is PBPK being utilized?



Cumulative as of June 18, 2014 (n=96)

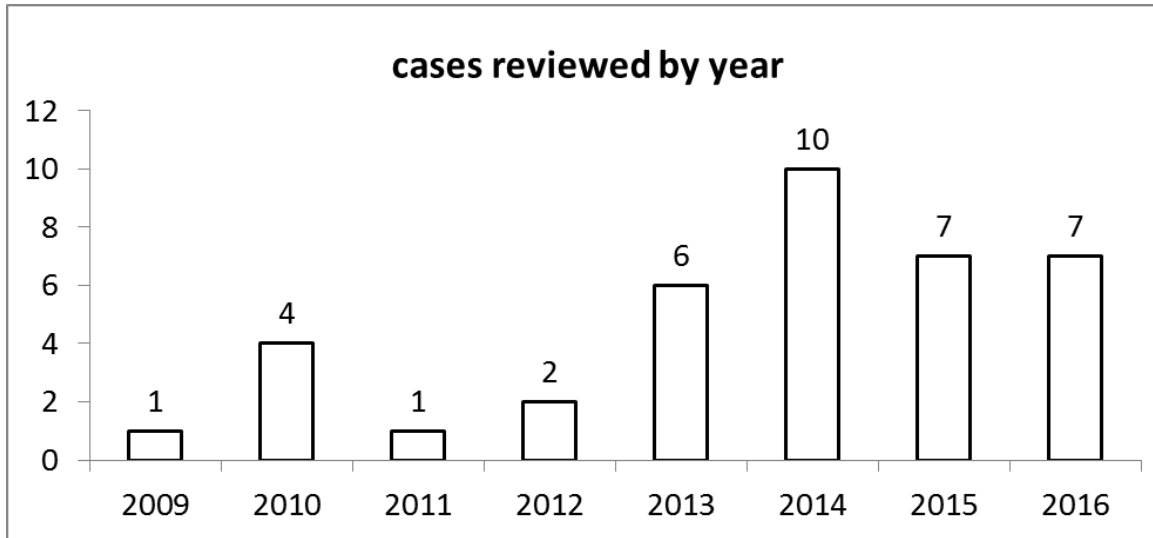
*Sinha, MHRA PBPK Workshop  
2014, London, UK*



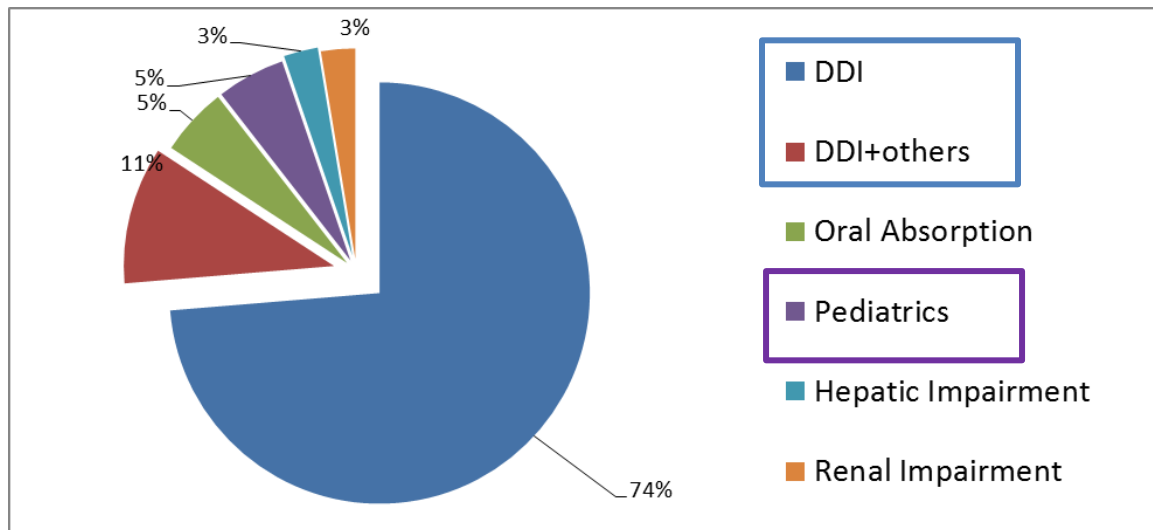
Cumulative as of Aug 1, 2016 (n=217)

**Majority related to drug-drug interactions (DDIs, ~ 60%); pediatrics ranks the second**

# PBPK supporting dosing recommendations in US prescribing information (38 cases 2009-2016)



2016: as of Aug 1



DDI/DDI+others: 32

Pediatrics: 2

# PBPK applications: current status

	Applications	Status
<b>Drug-drug Interactions</b>	<i>Drug as enzyme substrate</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Substrate/inhibitor models verified with key clinical data can be used to simulate untested scenarios and support labeling</li> </ul>
	<i>Drug as enzyme perpetrator</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use to confirm the lack of enzyme inhibition</li> <li>Additional evidence needed to confirm predictive performance for positive interactions</li> </ul>
	<i>Transporter-based</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In vitro-in vivo extrapolation not mature</li> <li>Complicated by transporter-enzyme interplay</li> <li>Predictive performance yet to be demonstrated</li> </ul>
<b>Specific populations</b>	<i>Organ impairments (hepatic and renal)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Predictive performance yet to be improved</li> <li>System component needs an update</li> </ul>
	<i>Pediatrics</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allometry is reasonable for PK down to 2 years old</li> <li>Less than 2 years old ontogeny and maturation need to be considered</li> </ul>
<b>Others with limited experiences</b>	<i>Pregnancy, ethnicity, geriatrics, obesity, disease states</i> <i>Food effect, formulation change, PH effect (including DDIs on gastric PH)</i> <i>Tissue concentration</i>	

High

Light



Low

Heavy

## Can PBPK PROSPECTIVELY predict the effect of CYP modulation?

### PBPK Model Describes the Effects of Comedication and Genetic Polymorphism on Systemic Exposure of Drugs That Undergo Multiple Clearance Pathways

MdLT Vieira<sup>1</sup>, M-J Kim<sup>1</sup>, S Apparaju<sup>1</sup>, V Sinha<sup>1</sup>, I Zineh<sup>1</sup>, S-M Huang<sup>1</sup> and P Zhao<sup>1</sup>

*Clin Pharmacol Ther*, 2014

### **Predicting the Effect of Cytochrome P450 Inhibitors on Substrate Drugs: Analysis of Physiologically Based Pharmacokinetic Modeling Submissions to the US Food and Drug Administration**

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Vikram Sinha · Ping Zhao

*Clin Pharmacokinet* 2015

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# Can PBPK PROSPECTIVELY predict the effect of CYP modulation?

$$R_{pred,obs} = \frac{\text{Pred. Exposure Ratio}}{\text{Obs. Exposure Ratio}}$$

	<b>CYP Inhibition (Vieira, 2014)</b>	<b>CYP Inhibition (Wagner/Pan, 2015)</b>	<b>CYP Induction (Wagner, 2015)</b>
<b>Substrates evaluated</b>	4	15	11
<b>DDI cases to predict</b>	20	26	13
<b>Organization</b>	FDA	9 sponsors	6 sponsors
<b>Substrate model predicts base PK <math>\leq</math> 2-fold of obs. CL</b>	100%	87%	91%
<b><math>0.80 \leq R_{pred/obs} \leq 1.25</math></b>	72% AUC; 70% Cmax	81% AUC; 77% Cmax	77 % AUC; 83% Cmax
<b><math>0.50 \leq R_{pred/obs} \leq 2.00</math></b>	100%	100%	77% AUC; 92% Cmax
<b><math>R_{pred/obs} &gt; 2.00</math></b>	0	0	23% AUC; 8% Cmax

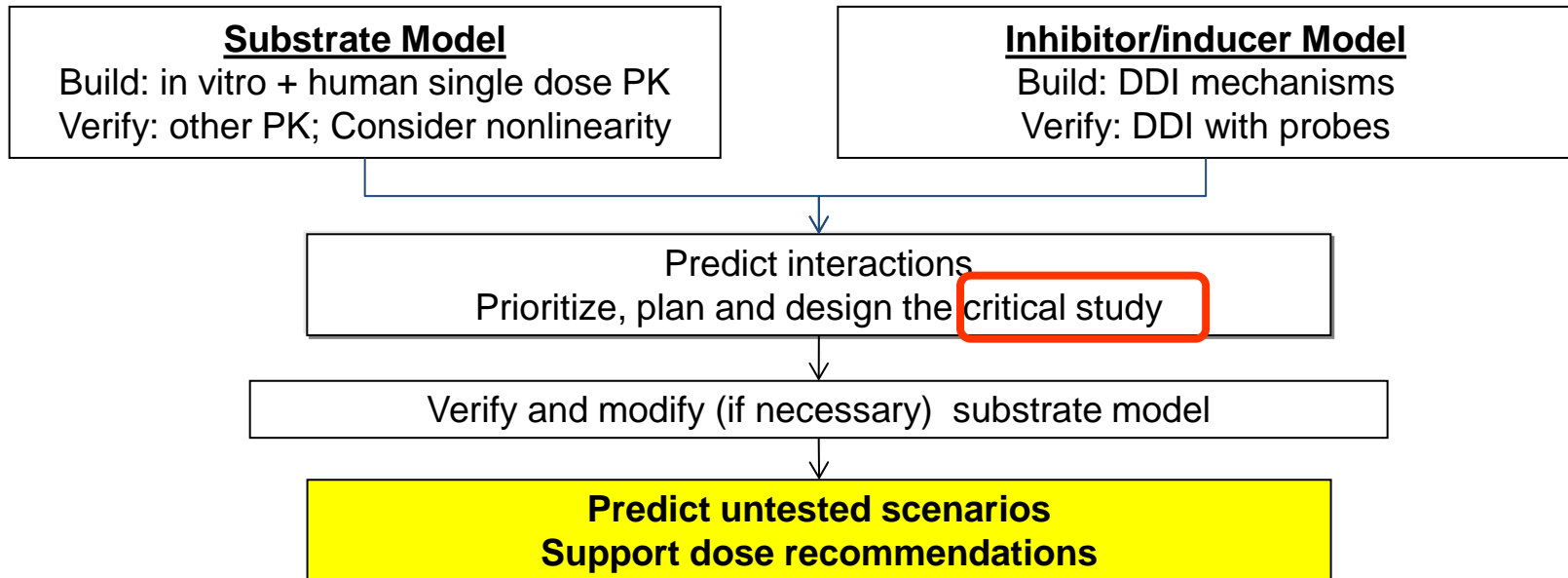
*Cut-off values are arbitrary*

# PBPK prediction of CYP modulation

- Predictive performance demonstrated

*Vieira, Clin Pharmacol Ther, 2014; Wagner, Clin Pharmacokinet 2015, 2016*

- Workflow proposed



## Eliglustat (CERDELGA, approved 2014)

- ❑ Rare disease, priority review
- ❑ Metabolized by CYP2D6 (~80%) and CYP3A (~20%)
- ❑ High clearance, nonlinear PK: time-dependent CYP2D6 inhibitor
- ❑ Clinical drug interaction studies
  - *With strong CYP2D6 inhibitor paroxetine: AUC increased by ~8-fold*
  - *With strong CYP3A inhibitor ketoconazole: AUC increased by ~4-fold*
- Pharmacogenetic effects: AUC ratio poor metabolizers/extensive metabolizers (PM/EM) ~ 8-fold

**What are exposure changes with various CYP inhibitors in subjects with different CYP2D6 genotypes?**



# Eliglustat Label – Section 7.1

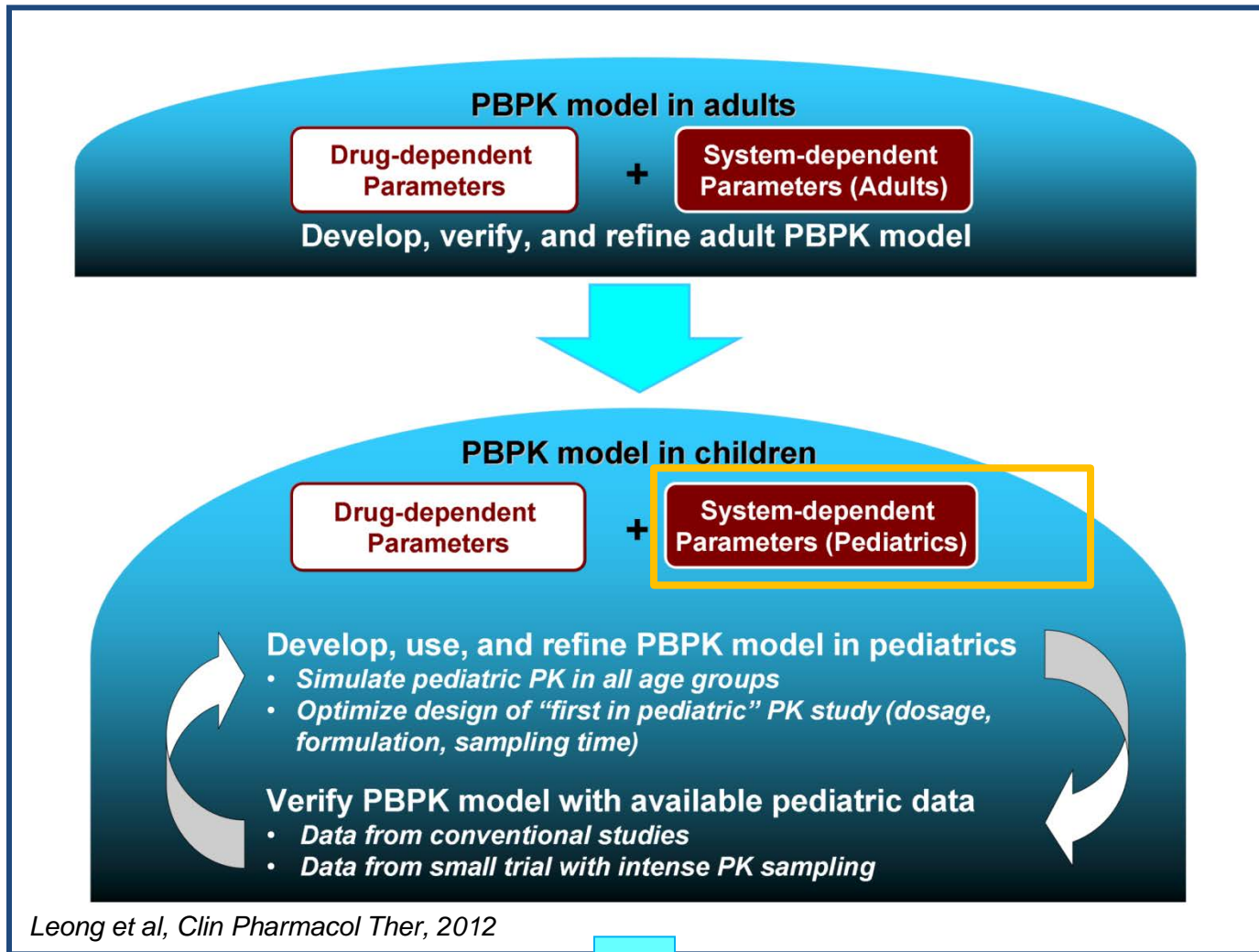
**Table 3: Established and Other Potentially Significant Drug Interactions: Alteration in CERDELGA Dosage May Be Recommended Based on Drug Interaction Studies or on Predicted Interaction in EMs and IMs**

	Recommended CERDELGA Dosage, by CYP2D6 Metabolizer Status		Simulated conditions
	EM	IM	
<b>CYP450 Inhibitors</b>			
✓ Strong or Moderate CYP2D6 inhibitors concomitantly with Strong or Moderate CYP3A inhibitors	Contraindicated	Contraindicated	2x2x2=8
✓ Strong CYP2D6 inhibitors e.g., paroxetine	84 mg once daily	84 mg once daily	Obs
Moderate CYP2D6 inhibitors e.g., terbinafine	84 mg once daily	84 mg once daily	1x2=2
Strong CYP3A inhibitors e.g., ketoconazole	84 mg once daily	Contraindicated	Obs
✓ Moderate CYP3A inhibitors e.g., fluconazole	84 mg once daily	Not recommended	1x2=2

**Table 4: Established and Other Potentially Significant Drug Interactions: Alteration in CERDELGA Dosage May Be Recommended Based on Predicted Interaction in PMs**

	Recommended CERDELGA Dosage for PMs	Simulated conditions
✓ Strong CYP3A inhibitors e.g., ketoconazole	Contraindicated	1
✓ Moderate CYP3A inhibitors e.g., fluconazole	Not recommended	1
✓ Weak CYP3A inhibitors e.g., ranitidine	Not recommended	1

# Pediatrics: Is current workflow adequate?



Inform dosing in pediatrics in lieu of PK study

# Valganciclovir hydrochloride (Valcyte) Efficacy Supplement (2015)

cytomegalovirus (CMV) nucleoside analogue DNA polymerase inhibitor

*Label update (Sec 8.4): "...A physiologically based pharmacokinetic (PBPK) model was developed based on the available pharmacokinetic data from pediatric and adult patients to support dosing in heart transplant patients less than 1 month of age. However, due to uncertainty in model predictions for neonates, VALCYTE is not indicated for prophylaxis in this age group."*

[http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/drugsatfda\\_docs/label/2015/022257s005,021304s011lbl.pdf](http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/drugsatfda_docs/label/2015/022257s005,021304s011lbl.pdf)



# Summary

- **PBPK analyses are routinely submitted to the FDA**
- **Confidence varies, depending on predictive performance for intended purposes**
- **Establishing confidence in physiology (drug independent) model is crucial for effective use of PBPK**

