Assessing Pharmacokinetics in Clinical Studies

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How Do Antibiotics Work?

A drug must enter the organism,

bind to a specific target,

and produce an inhibitory or lethal effect.

Unless the drug is delivered to the site of infection (PK), nothing happens (PD).

Where are we now?

I thought we just gave "THE DOSE"

Giving THE DOSE implies that every patient is THE PATIENT (aka, "the average Joe").

That is the same as saying there is no such thing as inter-individual variability (IIV in POP PK language).

We have definitive proof that this is false.

So why do we keep giving THE DOSE?

Same as it ever was...
Yeah, the twister comes
Here comes the twister
Same as it ever was...

—Once in a Lifetime, Talking Heads

Same as it ever was...Same as it ever was...Same as it ever was...

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Standardized Doses of TB Drugs



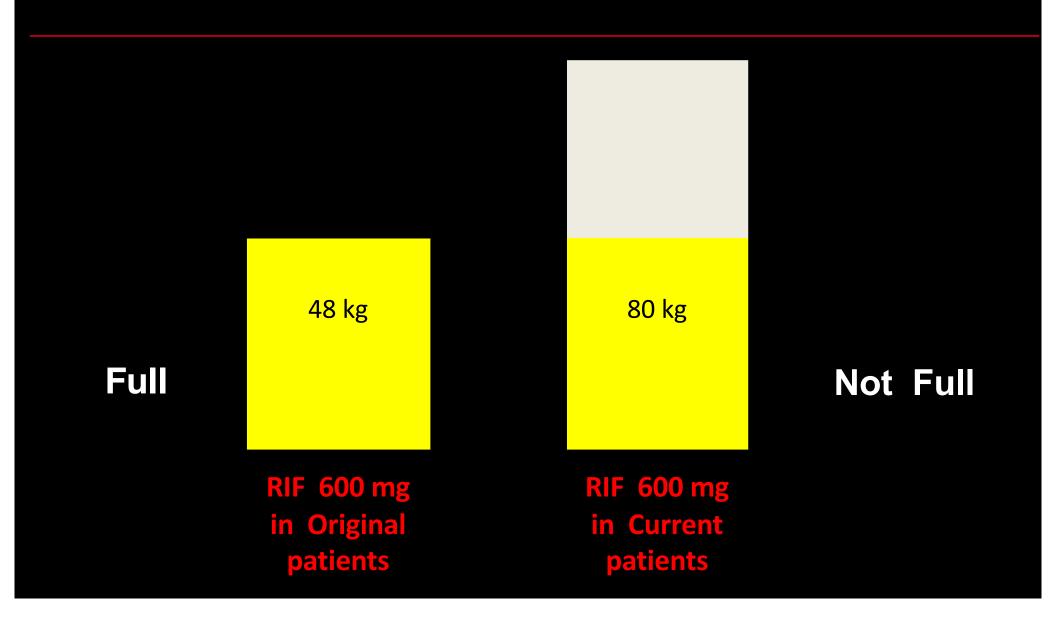
INDIVIDUALITY

ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE UNIQUE. JUST LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE.

Standardized Doses of TB Drugs

Original BMRC Dose	Current Dose	Rel. %
RIF 600 mg / 48 kg = 12.5 mg / kg	RIF 600 mg / 80 kg = 7.5 mg / kg	60%
INH 300 mg / 48 kg = 6.25 mg / kg	INH 300 mg / 80 kg = 3.75 mg / kg	60%
PZA 35 mg / kg	PZA 20 – 25 mg / kg	≤ 71%
EMB 25 mg / kg	EMB 15 mg / kg	60%

Fixed doses of INH and RIF are too small



Like putting 10 gallons of gasoline in each of these vehicles...

Full Not Full





"But TB Treatment is only 6 months long and it is > 95 % effective"

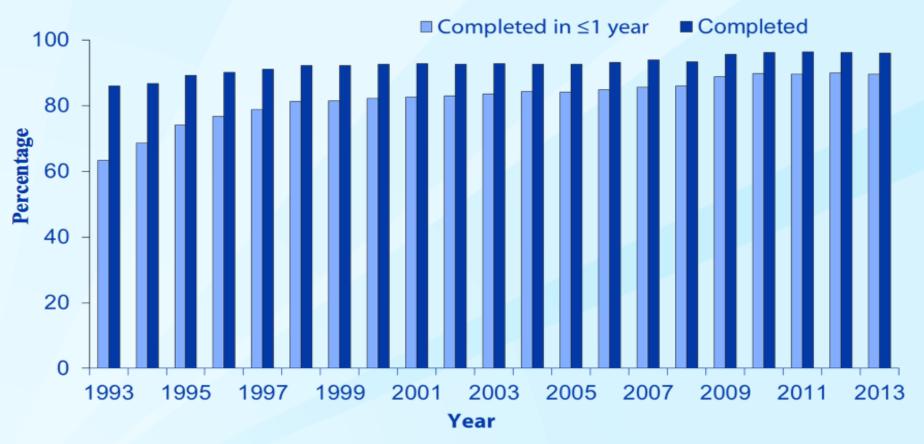
This is TB dogma.

The BMRC did show, using per protocol analyses, that rifampin – based regimens were > 95 % effective.

However, the other 20 % of the patients not in those analyses are still in your clinic.

Thus, you might predict 0.95 * 80 % = 76 % efficacy at 6 months in your clinic. Right?

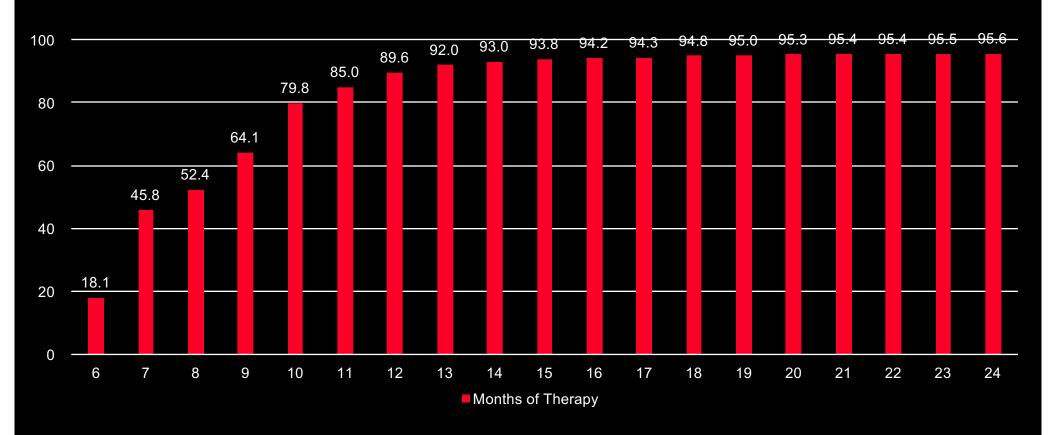
Completion of TB Treatment Therapy, United States, 1993–2013*



^{*} As of June 9, 2016; data available through 2013 only.

Note: Includes persons alive at diagnosis, with initial drug regimen of one or more drugs prescribed, who did not die within one year of initiating treatment; excludes persons with initial rifampin-resistant isolate, patients with bone and joint disease, meningeal disease, or disease of the central nervous system, or pediatric patients (ages 0–14 years) with miliary disease or positive blood culture or a positive nucleic acid amplification test on a blood specimen, and those who moved out of the country within one year of initiating treatment.

Percentage of Tuberculosis Cases Completing Therapy by Month of Completion Among Persons for Whom Therapy Was Indicated for <1 Year, United States, 2013



Source: CDC, National Tuberculosis Surveillance System, 2013

Standardized Doses of TB Drugs



Phil Hopewell, MD



"There is a fine line between dogma and dog manure."

Standardized Doses of TB Drugs

For the current regimen, we should only claim the efficacy actually delivered.

In the US, the RIPE regimen is $\sim 90 \%$ effective at 12 months.

It is < 20% effective at 6 months, and < 46 % effective at 7 months.

Where are we going?

Key Question 1

Bridging pre - clinical data to clinical data:

Focus on determining the pharmacodynamically (PD) – linked parameter: f AUC / MIC, f Cmax / MIC, or f Cmin / MIC (as an alternative to % f T > MIC).

Then, determine the dose and frequency likely to achieve a high rate of target attainment, be that for bacterial cell kill or suppression of resistance.

Bridging Pre - Clinical Data to Clinical Data

The PD – linked parameter is conserved for each drug and organism pair, although the organism may display various growth states (log – phase growth, slow growth, non – replicating persisters).

The PD driver for cell kill may not be identical to the PD driver for suppression of resistance.

Pharmacokinetics and Dosing of Levofloxacin in Children Treated for Active or Latent Multidrug-resistant Tuberculosis, Federated States of Micronesia and Republic of the Marshall Islands

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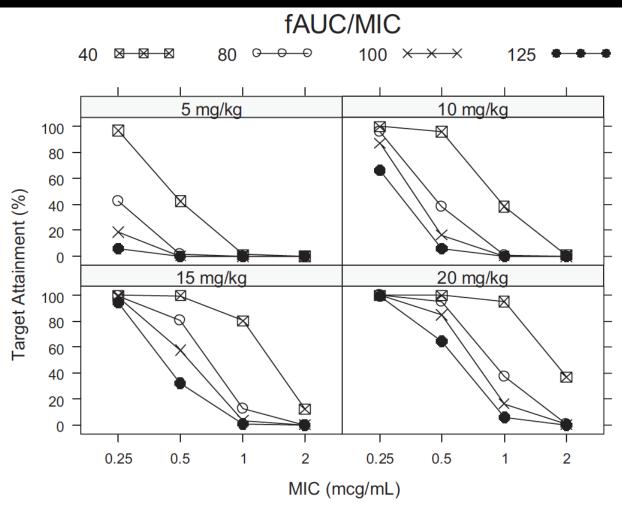


FIGURE 4. Target attainment analysis performed by applying the developed PK model to simulate 10,000 virtual children (50 children/data set \times 200 simulations) and calculate likelihood of attaining various fAUC/MIC targets (40, 80, 100 or 125) after steady-state dosing of levofloxacin (5, 10, 15 or 20 mg/kg).

Key Questions 2 & 3

How to fine tune in patients?

Answer: Measure serum concentration and adjust doses for each individual patient, a.k.a personalized medicine

Do TB patients metabolize drugs differently?

Answer: No, but their PK is more variable.

Key Question 4

Discuss PK variability / considerations across populations?

Answer: There is no single predictor of poor drug absorption. Certain patients may be *more* likely than others to malabsorb drugs, but there are many exceptions.

Examples: HIV / AIDS patients, diabetic patients, acutely ill and cachectic patients

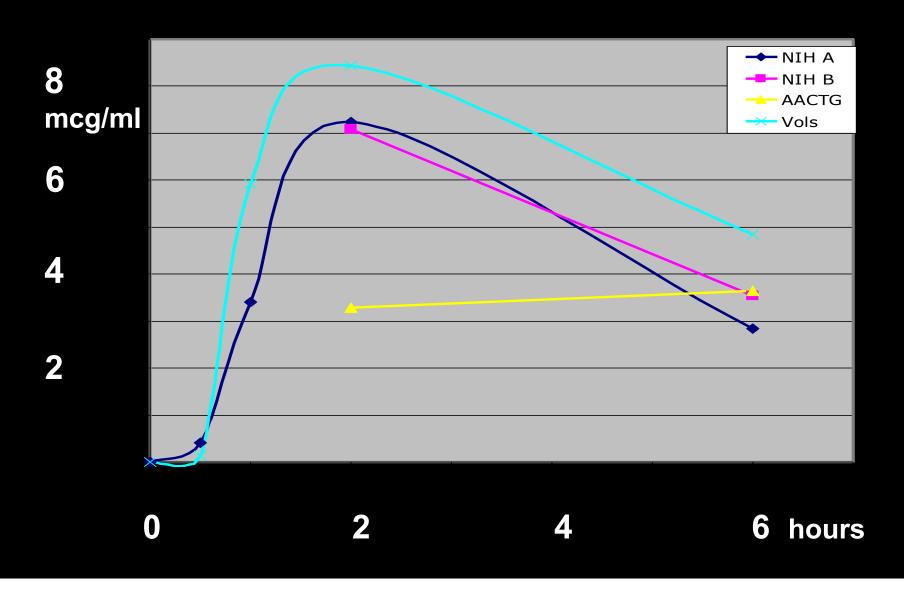
The Clinical Pharmacokinetics of Rifampin and Ethambutol in HIV-Infected Persons with Tuberculosis

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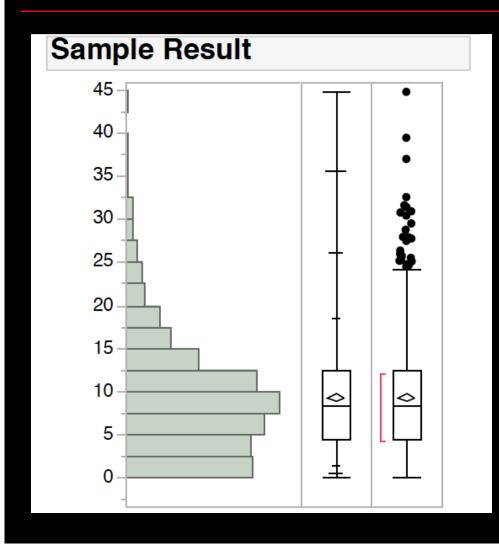
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Rifampin Plasma Concentrations

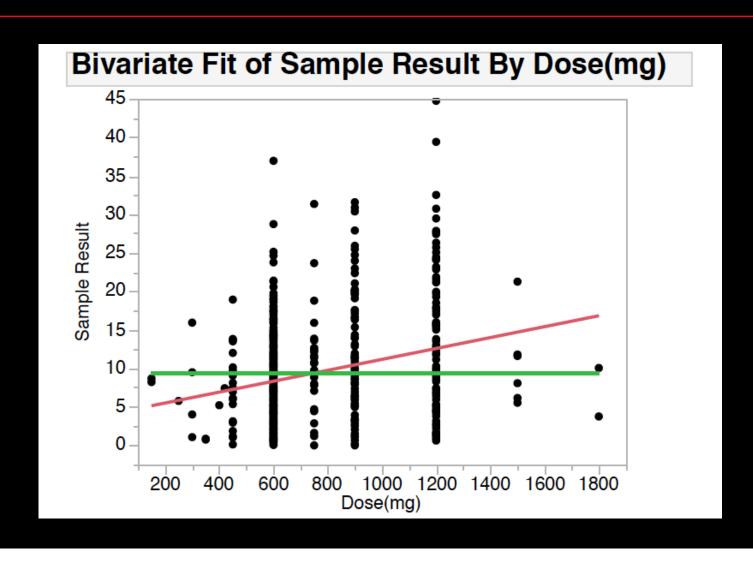


Rifampin 2 hour Sample Variability, 2016



Quantiles		
	maximum	44.72
99.5%		35.62
97.5%		26.11
90.0%		18.50
75.0%	quartile	12.40
50.0%	median	8.43
25.0%	quartile	4.41
10.0%		1.46
2.5%		0.51
0.5%		0.00
0.0%	minimum	0.00

Rifampin 2 hour Sample Variability, 2016



Therapeutic Drug Monitoring (TDM)

The decision to use TDM is the same as the decision to check a CBC with diff., or the decision to get a CT or MRI.

None of these guarantees the outcome of Tx. However, all of these inform the clinician prior to making clinical decisions.



The Role of Therapeutic Drug Monitoring in Mycobacterial Infections

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Why Use TDM?

In the end, knowing is better than guessing.

Determine the individual MIC.

Determine the individual PK.

Optimize the individual treatment.



Smart Bomb



Dumb Bomb

Key Question 5

How does PK change in TB patients over the course of months, esp. considering drug toxicities, etc.?

Answer:

- Rifamycins undergo auto induction
- Isoniazid absorption can improve once the patient starts improving
- Ethambutol, levofloxacin, cycloserine vary with renal function

Key Question 6

How much confidence in Epithelial Lining Fluid (ELF) data?

Answer: Not well studied with TB drugs. The alternative is to measure drug in cavitary lesions.

Cavitary Penetration of Levofloxacin among Patients with Multidrug-Resistant Tuberculosis

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Antimicrob Agents Chemother 2015; 59: 3149 –3155.

TABLE 3 Comparison of free serum and cavitary levofloxacin concentrations among patients with multidrug-resistant pulmonary tuberculosis

Subject ^a	Serum concn at time of resection ^b (μg/ml)	Cavitary concn (µg/ml)	Cavitary/serum concn ratio
1	0.74	0.46	0.63
2	4.40	9.59	2.18
3	3.03	5.31	1.75
4	6.66	8.82	1.32
5	1.21	2.85	2.36
7	1.31	2.07	1.58
8	5.50	2.70	0.49
9	5.21	5.55	1.07
10	9.23	7.83	0.85
11	6.28	4.36	0.69
12	0.99	1.78	1.80
Median	4.40	4.36	1.33

^a No cavitary concentration was available for subject 6.

^b Free serum concentration = measured levofloxacin concentration \times 0.75.

Key Questions

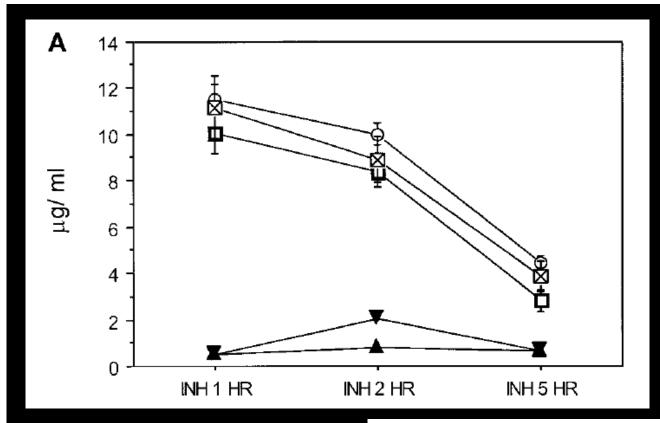
PK specific predictors for drug dosages from previous TB trials

Low Isoniazid Concentrations and Outcome of Tuberculosis Treatment with Once-Weekly Isoniazid and Rifapentine

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Am J Respir Crit Care Med. 2003; 167: 1341-1347.



Lowest INH concentrations associated with acquired rifamycin resistance.

Figure 1. Drug concentrations in 154 patients with failure/relapse or cure compared with 2 patients with acquired rifamycin-resistant relapse. (A) Mean isoniazid concentrations (\pm SE μg/ml) are depicted 1, 2, and 5 hours after oral dosing from patients (n = 111) with cure (open circle); with drug-susceptible failure/relapse (n = 24) treated once per week with rifapentine/isoniazid(square); with drug-susceptible failure/relapse (n = 17) treated twice per week with rifampin/isoniazid (square with X); and from two patients with acquired rifamycin-resistant relapse (triangle, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)–seropositive and inverted triangle, HIV-seronegative). (B) Mean rifampin concentrations (\pm

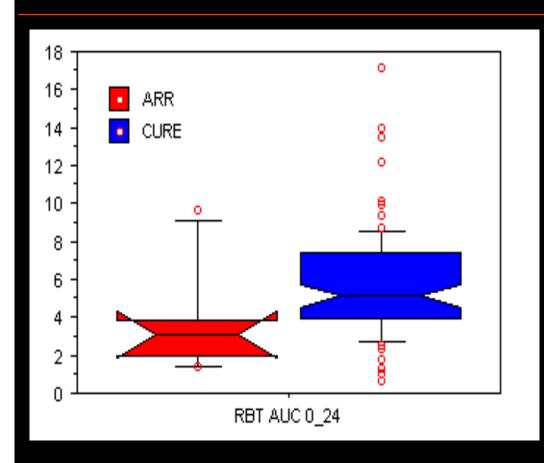
Association between Acquired Rifamycin Resistance and the Pharmacokinetics of Rifabutin and Isoniazid among Patients with HIV and Tuberculosis

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Clinical Infectious Diseases 2005; 40: 1481-91.

Lower rifabutin AUC associated with failure, relapse, and acquired rifamycin resistance



Group	No.	Dose mg/kg Med (IQC)	AUC ₀₋₂₄ Med (IQC)	P- Value*
ARR	6	4.6 (3.5 - 5.7)	3.1 (2.0 - 3.8)	
CURE	82	4.8 (4.2 – 6.2)	5.1 (4.0 - 7.4)	0.04

- P for RBT AUC ARR vs. cure, Mann-Whitney
- Odds ratio for CD4 count 1.01
- Odds ratio for RBN AUC 23

Clin Infect Dis 2005; 40: 1481 - 1491., slide by Dr. Weiner

Treatment Practices, Outcomes, and Costs of Multidrug-Resistant and Extensively Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis, United States, 2005–2007

Suzanne M. Marks, Jennifer Flood, Barbara Seaworth, Yael Hirsch-Moverman, Lori Armstrong, Sundari Mase, Katya Salcedo, Peter Oh, Edward A. Graviss, Paul W. Colson, Lisa Armitige, Manuel Revuelta, Kathryn Sheeran, and the TB Epidemiologic Studies Consortium

Emerg Infect Dis. 2014; 20: 812 - 821.

Cost of Developing MDR - TB

Direct costs, mostly covered by the public sector, averaged \$134,000 per MDR TB, and \$430,000 per XDR TB patient.

In comparison, estimated cost per non-MDR TB patient is \$17,000.

Drug resistance was extensive, care was complex, treatment completion rates were high, and treatment was expensive.

A Dose-Ranging Trial to Optimize the Dose of Rifampin in the Treatment of Tuberculosis

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Am J Respir Crit Care Med. 2015; 191; 1058–1065.

Dose Ranging Trial to Optimize the Dose of Rifampin

Maximum tolerated dose study:

RIF 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 mg/kg for 14 days in patients with drug – susceptible TB [70 kg * 35 mg/kg = 2,450 mg, round to 2,400 mg]

More – than proportional increases in Cmax and AUC occurred as doses increased.

Am J Respir Crit Care Med 2015; 191: 1058 - 1065.

Dose Ranging Trial to Optimize the Dose of Rifampin

Maximum tolerated dose study:

High inter—individual variability in Cmax and AUC within any given dose (an argument for TDM).

Greatest reduction in sputum colony counts of Mtb were seen with the highest AUC.

Am J Respir Crit Care Med 2015; 191: 1058 - 1065.

Daily Rifapentine for Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis

A Randomized, Dose-Ranging Trial

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Am J Respir Crit Care Med. 2015; 191: 333-343.

Daily Rifapentine for Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis

High inter-individual variability in Cmax and AUC within any given dose (an argument for TDM).

High RPNT exposures (AUC) were associated with high levels of sputum sterilization at the completion of 8 weeks of treatment (end of intensive phase)

Dorman et al. Am J Respir Crit Care Med 2015; 191: 333 - 343.

Role for PK in Treating TB

TDM allows you to individualize therapy.

TDM allows you to <u>optimize</u> the pharmacodynamically - linked variable [typically Cmax or AUC].



"But that is SO EXPENSIVE"

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10,000 patients times (> all US TB patients)
$70 per test times
8 tests per patient
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\$5,600,000

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