BREAKOUT SESSION L DAY 3:Virtual BE Applications

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BO Expectations

- Short introduction: set the scene!
- Share knowledge and science: focus on addressing common challenges
- Discuss openly gaps in knowledge and how to address them
- Discuss examples of what works or not
- Be vocal, curious, share your opinion
- Propose ways forward: elaborate decision trees, share data/experience, propose to form working groups, work on validation exercises

Publication planned following workshop: summarize current knowledge, discussions and proposals for future work



Clear succinct summary of the BO session is essential

Virtual Bioequivalence (VBE)

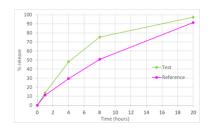
Use of physiological models to predict the outcome of a BE study comparing test and reference formulations

 Conduct "x" number of virtual trials in a model generated population in crossover manner to assess the outcome of a BE study

Applications -

- Predict outcome to support
 - Formulation changes in late-stage clinical development
 - Generic product development
 - Specification setting
 - Manufacturing site change
 - Waiver of Fed BE study
- Minimize the number of "pilot" PK studies
- Provide more confidence in the outcome of a "pivotal" BE study

Typical Workflow for VBE



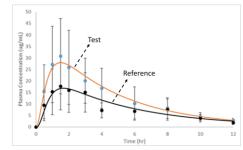
In vitro dissolution data comparing test and reference formulations



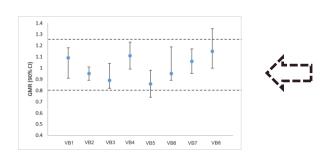
Model built & verified using available data

Conduct appropriate Parameter Sensitivity Analyses

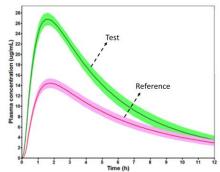




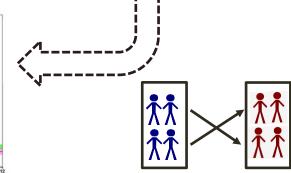
Predicted plasma PK profile and comparison with observed data



Output (GMR & 90%CI) from several VBE trials

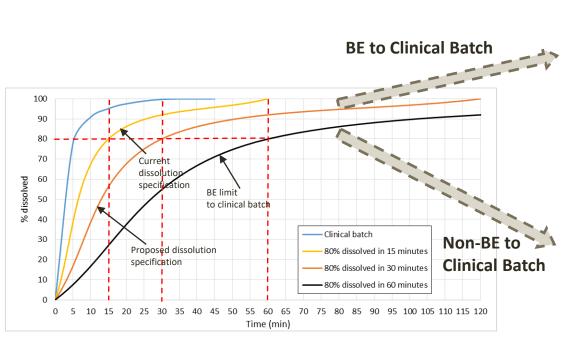


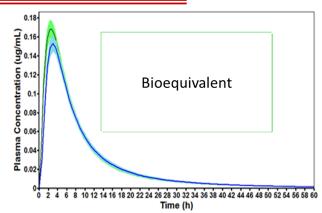
Virtual trial output comparing test and reference formulation

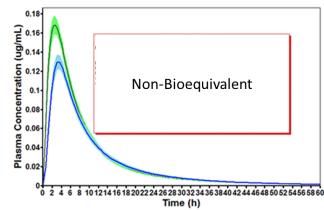


Cross-over population simulation by incorporating variability in PK parameters from previous clinical data

Safe Space Generation using VBE







Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics, 105: 307-309 (2019) AAPS Journal, 21: 29 (2019)

What are the criteria for selecting populations for VBE simulations (in terms of, sample size number of trials simulated, sex, demographics, disease state)?

Should non-BE batch be a requirement for VBE verification? What are the challenges? What are other potential options for model verification?

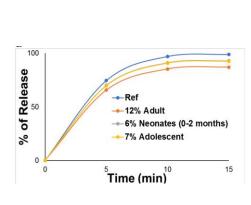
What are the experiences and challenges in applications of VBE in Post-approval changes? E.g. excipient changes for BCS 3 drug products BE

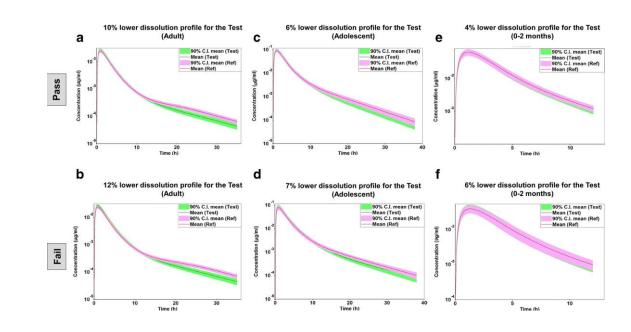
What are your experiences with regulatory acceptance of VBE based specification justifications (e.g. dissolution, API PSD)? What are feedback(s) on the model?



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Lei Miao, Youssef M. Mousa, Liang Zhao, Kimberly Raines, Paul Seo, and Fang Wu^{1,3}





What are the experiences, successes, considerations and challenges in applying VBE to pediatric population?