

## Pharmacokinetic Population Modeling Incorporating CYP2A6 Genotypes following Different Routes of Administration of Nicotine

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**Objectives:** We developed a comprehensive population pharmacokinetic model to quantify the influence of CYP2A6 genetic polymorphisms and covariates on the pharmacokinetic of nicotine following different routes of administration, and to predict individual subjects' pharmacokinetics.

**Methods:** Three groups of 278, 64 and 40 subjects received intravenous (iv), oral and patch administration of nicotine and deuterium-labeled nicotine, respectively. A multi-compartment model was developed to assess the kinetic profile of the three studies separately, including a Bayesian model for the oral and patch data. Demographic, environmental variables and genotypes of CYP2A6 (\*1A, \*1B, \*1×2, \*2, \*4, \*7, \*9 and \*10) were included in the analysis as covariates. The influence of the *in-vitro* ratios of enzyme activity of each CYP2A6 genotypes with respect to the wild-type was also evaluated.

**Results:** Nicotine pharmacokinetics after iv, oral and patch administration were adequately characterized by a multi-compartment model. Body weight and sex were significant covariates on nicotine clearance. The Asian group had a significantly lower clearance compared to other racial groups, which could be accounted for by incorporating the CYP2A6 genotype as a covariate. Smoking, marital status, education, age and body mass index did not significantly affect nicotine kinetics. A significant relationship between clearance and the *in-vitro* ratios of the enzyme activity of each CYP2A6 genotypes with respect to the wild-type was observed. The assumption that the same ratios would apply for a related *in-vivo* activity need to be further defined.

**Conclusions:** A significant relationship between CYP2A6 genotypes and clearance was observed and we confirm the influence of sex and body weight on nicotine clearance. *In-vitro* enzyme activity of CYP2A6 may provide significant predictions of nicotine pharmacokinetics.