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Assessing the role of local heart tissue concentration in bottom-up mechanistic prediction of QT prolongation by moxifloxacin using PBPK-QSTS modeling

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# **Objectives**

- 1. Bottom up prediction of QT prolongation and TdP risk for moxifloxacin (MOXI)
- 2. Estimate the relevant exposure in bio-phase
- 3. Translate *in vitro* hERG  $IC_{50}$  to clinical ECG level with QSTS model
- 4. To study the impact of uncertainty/lab-to-lab variability in *in* vitro hERG IC<sub>50</sub> value on model outcome
- 5. To verify the model performance to simulate the torsade de pointes (TdP) event



# **PBPK Model including Mechanistic Absorption model**



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### **PBPK-QSTS Approach for QT prolongation/TdP risk assessment**





# What is reference point?



60 45 **ΔΔQTcF** 30 Considered bio-relevant measurement range 15 0 50 250 0 100 300 150 200 I<sub>Kr</sub> IC<sub>50%</sub> (μM) 

Variability in reported QT prolongation after 400mg Moxifloxacin oral dose

Impact on in vitro hERG IC50 on model outcomes

Uncertainty/variability in in vitro input could affect interpretation

Strong need to standardise or select a common reference *in vitro* protocol to move forward

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# Predicted QT prolongation with various bio-phase inputs



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# Impact of QST model selection



- ten Tusscher 2006 model shows unbound heart tissue exposure as bio-relevant
  O'hara-Budy 2011 model shows total plasma exposure as bio-relevant
- O'hara-Rudy 2011 model shows total plasma exposure as bio-relevant

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# **TdP is multi-factorial event**



FAERS database mining indicates almost all TdP cases where MOXI was involved were multi-factorial and TdP occurred when combined with other risk factors e.g. hypokalemia and abnormal heart rate.

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Increasing clinical knowledge of the drug, more model verification and confidence in prediction

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**Reducing model assumptions and uncertainty** 

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