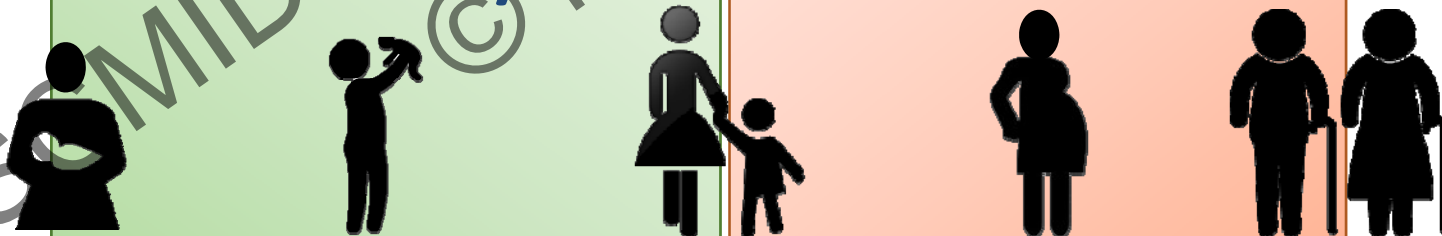


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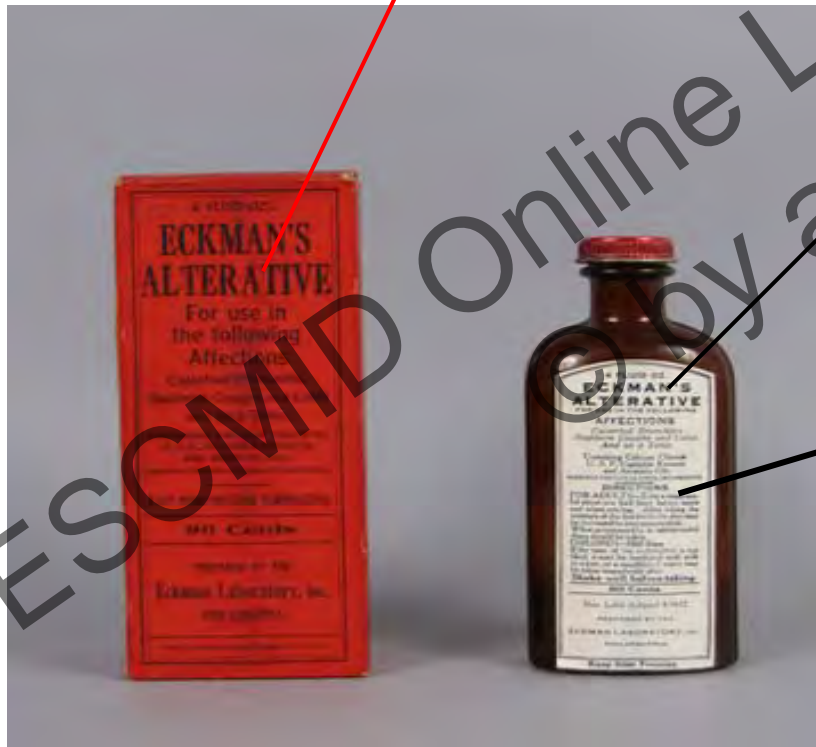
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Catarrhal Bronchitis,
Stubborn Coughs and
Colds

“Not Miniature Men and Women”

Abraham Jacobi

Contains 12% of alcohol by weight or
14% per volume. Use as a solvent



DIRECTIONS:

For adults: Take a teaspoonful about one-half hour before meals and when retiring.

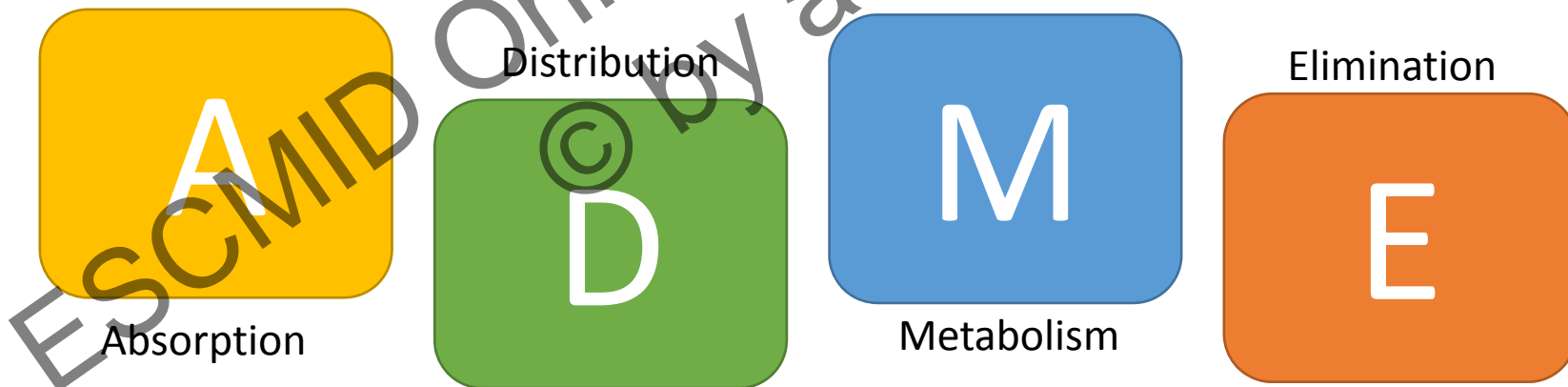
For children: Half dose. If the taste is not liked, it may be combined with a mouthful of water.

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Factors that influence tissue drug concentrations over time include Absorption, Distribution, Metabolism and Excretion (ADME). (Formulation!)

These ADME processes differ in neonates, children, pregnancy and elderly populations with major consequences on the pharmacokinetic profile of a drug.

High VARIABILITY in ADME have direct effect on antibiotic PK/PD – concern especially in older drugs with a narrow therapeutic index

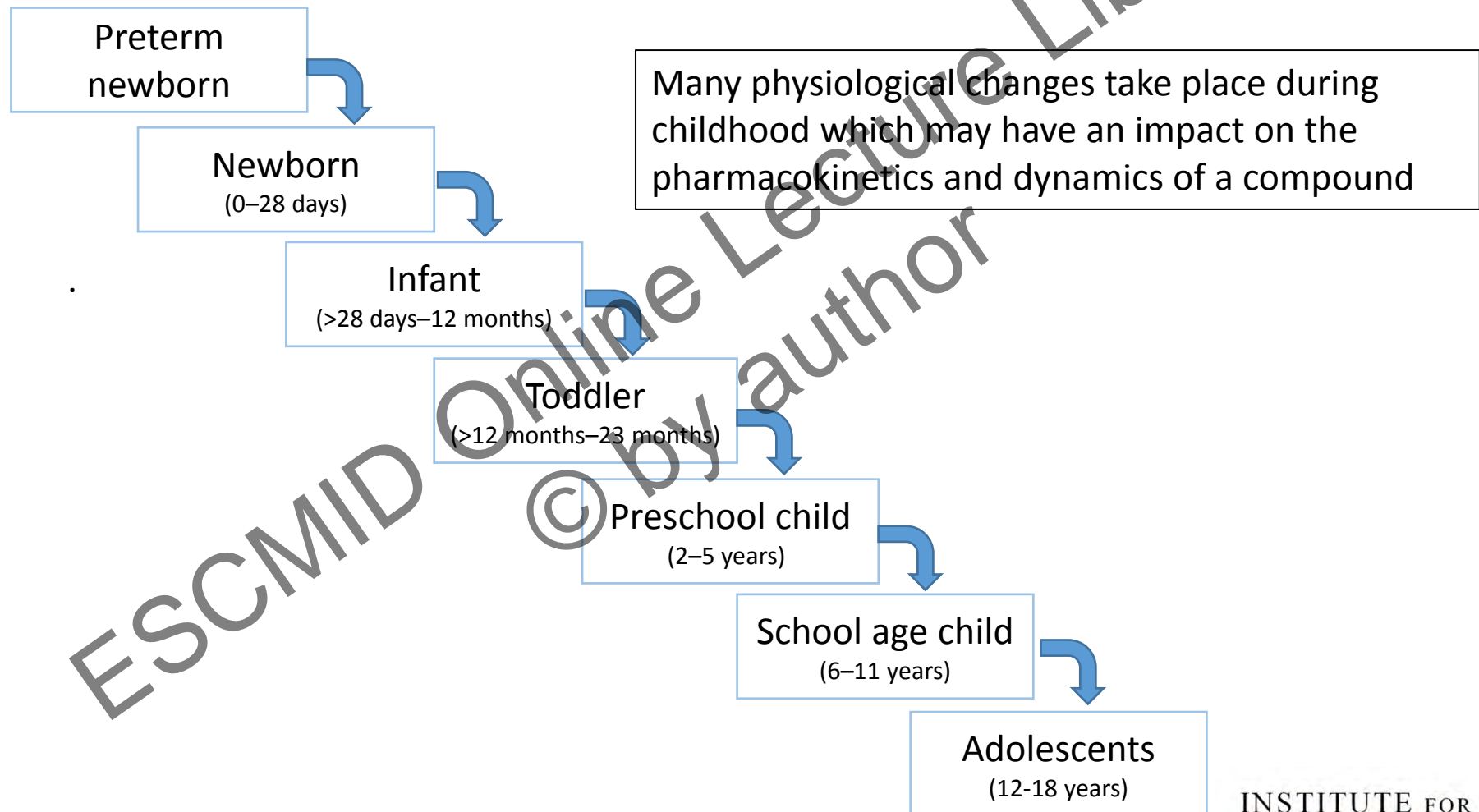


• Neonates and children

• Pregnancy

• Elderly

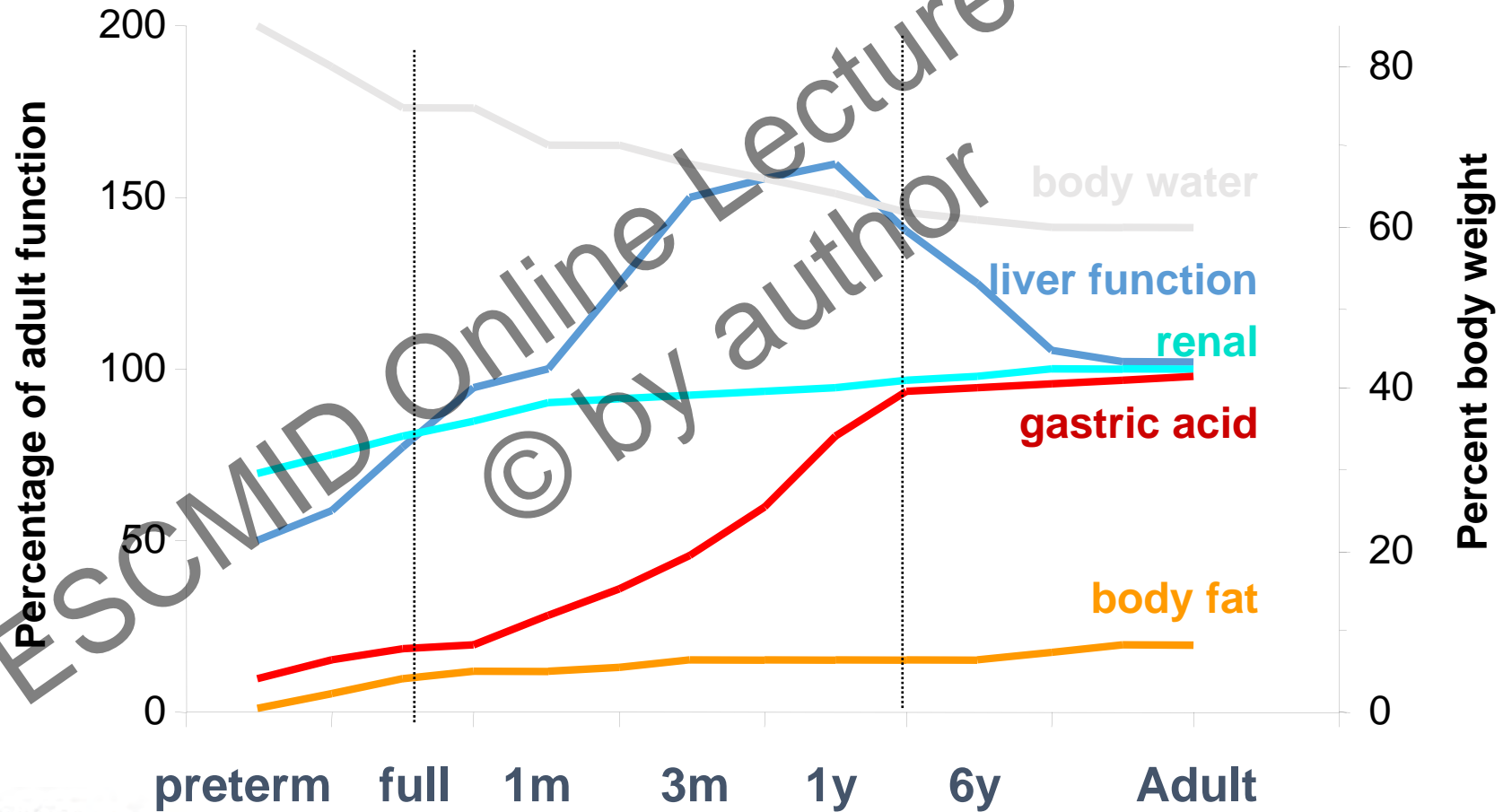
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Changes in Antimicrobial pharmacokinetics with age



Children and neonates

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Absorption

Developmental change	PK consequence
↓ Gastric pH	↑ C_{max} for weak acids
↓ Intestinal transit	↓ C_{max} and ↓ AUC
↓ Intestinal bile concentration	↓ C_{max} and ↓ AUC

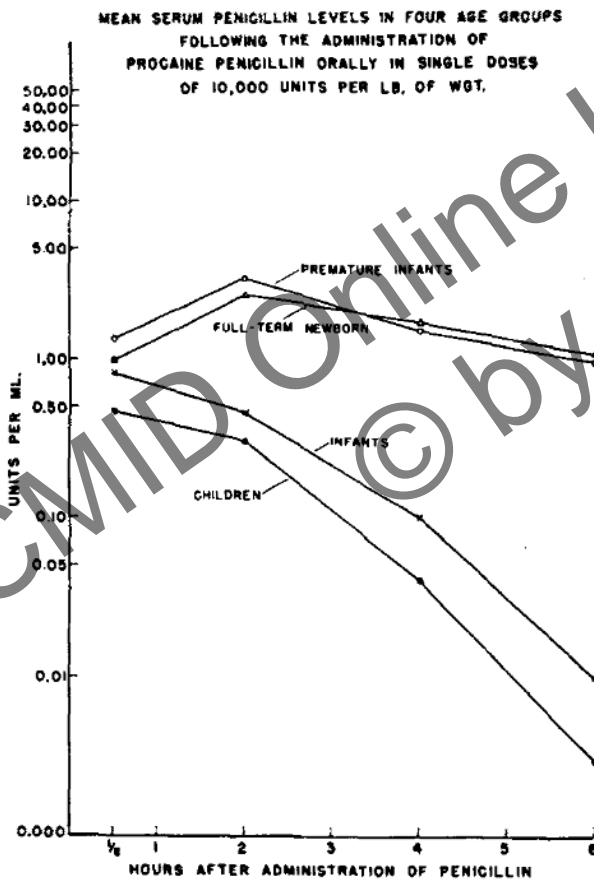
	Newborn (full-term)	Neonate (1 day–1 month)	Infant (1 month–2 years)
<i>Physiological factor</i>			
Gastric pH	1–3	> 5	~Adult
Gastric emptying time	Reduced (variable)	Reduced (variable)	Increased
Intestinal surface area	Reduced ^b	Reduced ^b	~Adult
Intestinal transit time	Reduced	Reduced	Increased
Pancreatic and biliary function	Very immature	Immature	~Adult
Bacterial flora	Very immature	Immature	Immature
Enzyme/transporter activity	Very immature	Immature	Approaching adult

Children and neonates

Comparison of serum levels following the administration of oral and parenteral preparations of penicillin to infants and children of various age groups



Absorption



This higher pH in neonates and young infants may have a protective effect on acid-labile drugs and may at least partially account for the higher bioavailability of beta-lactam antibiotics.

(Huang et al, J paediatrics 1953)

Children and neonates

D

Distribution

Developmental change	PK consequence
Body composition	$\leftrightarrow V_d$ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> neonates have relatively reduced fat infants have increased fat compared with adults extracellular water is relatively higher in neonates – Immature blood brain barrier
↓ plasma protein	↑ free fraction of drug in plasma ↑ V_d

Parameter	Neonate	Infant	Child
Total protein	Decreased	Decreased	Equivalent
Plasma albumin	Decreased	Equivalent	Equivalent
Plasma globulin	Decreased	Decreased	Equivalent
α_1-acid glycoprotein	Decreased	No data available	Equivalent
Free fatty acids	Increased	Equivalent	Equivalent
Unconjugated bilirubin	Increased	Equivalent	Equivalent

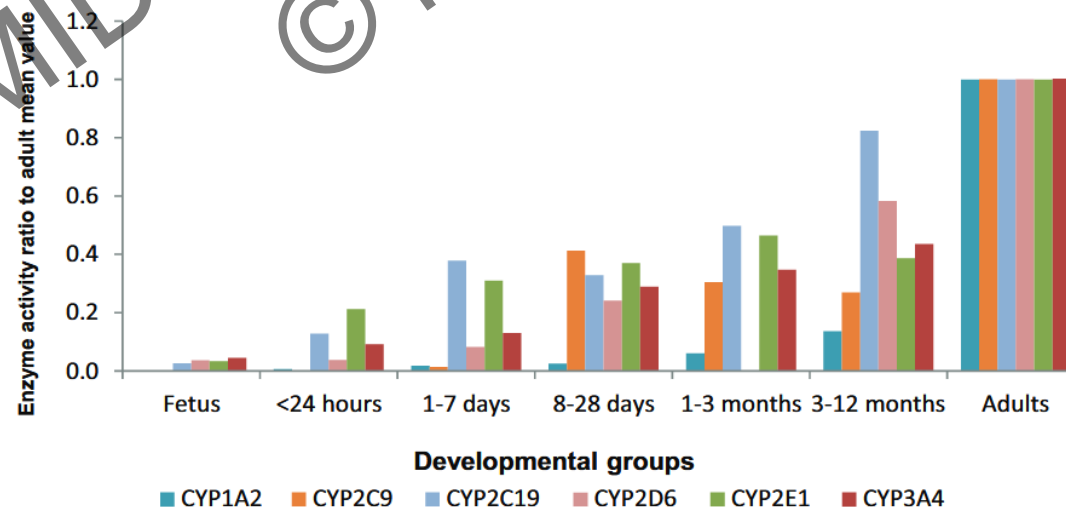
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Children and neonates

Metabolism

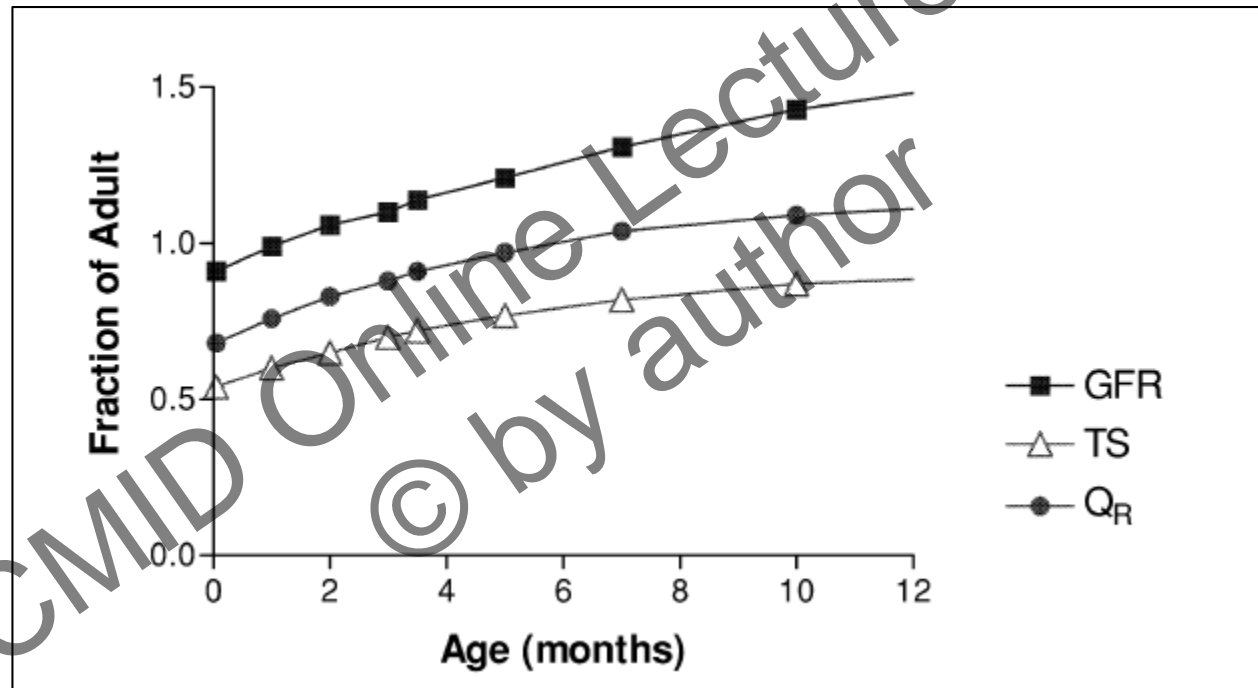
Developmental change	PK consequence
Hepatic metabolism Phase I enzyme activity ↓	Hepatic clearance
Hepatic metabolism Phase II UGT enzyme activity ↓	Hepatic clearance
Bacterial colonization of the intestine	↑C _{max} and ↑AUC



Children and neonates

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Elimination



Excretion of drugs by the kidneys is dependent on three processes, glomerular filtration (GFR), tubular secretion and reabsorption (TS/R) (colistin high TR).

They are dependent on renal blood and renal plasma flow Q , which increase with age as a result of an increase in cardiac output and a reduction in peripheral vascular resistance.

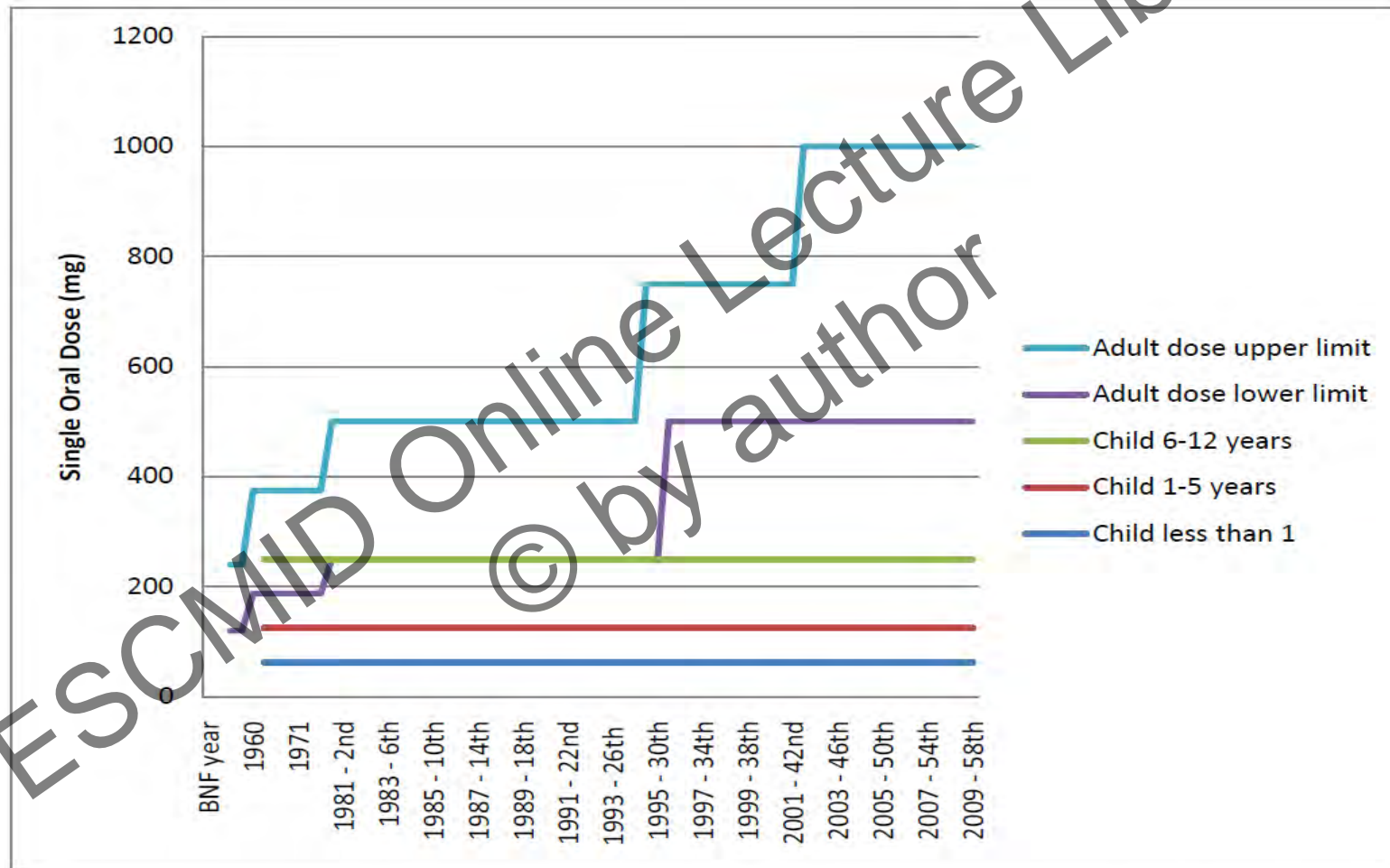


Figure 1: Timeline showing changes in the single oral child and adult dose of penicillin V

Dosing of oral penicillins in children: is big child=half an adult, small child=half a big child, baby=half a small child still the best we can do? Ahmed U et al, BMJ 2011

PK methods: why population PK?

Traditional PK

Rich sampling

Ethical issues

Practical challenges

Recruitment issues

Generalisability varies

Population PK studies

Sparse sampling

Between subject variability

Explain drug disposition

Modelling and simulation (M&S)

Now standard in paediatrics

PK-PD Dosing Issues in Special Patient Populations *Challenges to studies with children and neonates*



Neonatal and Paediatric Pharmacokinetics of Antimicrobials Study

- Recruited **216 neonates and 212 children**
- PopPK successfully integrated into routine care
- Opportunistic (and optimal) sampling strategies
- Methods feasible in NHS setting

NAPPA



An open label, multicenter, pan-European, randomised active-comparator controlled phase III superiority trial



Neomero

- European multicenter network to evaluate pharmacokinetics, safety and efficacy of Meropenem in neonatal sepsis and **meningitis**
- Recruited **272 neonates**

NeoVanc-1- Hollow fibre infection and rabbit models

NeoVanc-2 - Population PK meta-analysis of previous neonatal, vancomycin pharmacokinetics data



neoVanc

NeoVanc-3 Open label European, multi-centre, Phase IIb, randomised, active control, parallel group, non-inferiority trial

- Compare the efficacy, safety and pharmacokinetics of an optimised dosing to a standard dosing regimen of vancomycin
- **300 participants** is planned to be enrolled from five EU countries

• Children and neonates

• **Pregnancy**

• Elderly

Pregnancy (maternal sepsis)

Change in Pregnancy

↓ gastric acidity
Slower gastric emptying

↑ Increased oro-cecal
transit time in third
trimester

Change in Pregnancy

Cardiac output ↑ 30%-50%
↑ respiration rate

↑ in stroke volume and heart rate

↓ functional reserve capacity

GFR ↑ 50%

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Change in Pregnancy

↑ Plasma volume

↓ Albuminemia

↑ Hepatic blood flow

Changes to regional blood flow

↓ serum creatinine and urea

↑ activity of renin-angiotensin
system

Change in Pregnancy

Increased levels of estrogen and
progesterone modulate enzymatic:
CYP P450 activity which can be ↑ (ie,
CP3A and CYP2A6) or **↓** (ie, CYP1A2)

Increased hepatic blood flow



panna

A European clinical pharmacology network to investigate the Pharmacokinetics of ANtiretroviral agents in HIV-infected pregNAnt women

- Was almost no data on ARVs in pregnancy – critical to optimise dosing to reduce MTCT
- PENTA network developed for PK of mothers taking ARVs in pregnancy
- Combination antiretroviral treatment (cART): 2 NRTI's and integrase inhibitor, protease inhibitor/r, or NNRTI now have optimal doses
- Could be adapted for antimicrobials

Feasible



The pharmacokinetics, safety and efficacy of tenofovir and emtricitabine in HIV-1-infected pregnant women

AIDS 2013, **27**:739–748

Maraviroc Pharmacokinetics in HIV-1-Infected Pregnant Women

CID 2015:61 (15 November)

Raltegravir in HIV-1-Infected Pregnant Women: Pharmacokinetics, Safety, and Efficacy

HIV/AIDS • CID 2015:61 (1 September)

AIDS 2014, Vol 28 No 2

Pharmacokinetics, safety and transplacental passage of rilpivirine in pregnancy: two cases

J Antimicrob Chemother 2015; **70**: 534–542
doi:10.1093/jac/dku400 Advance Access publication 17 October 2014

Journal of
Antimicrobial
Chemotherapy

Pharmacokinetics of total and unbound darunavir in HIV-1-infected pregnant women

Antiviral Therapy 2015; **20**:57–64 (doi: 10.3851/IMP2820)

Original article

Atazanavir exposure is effective during pregnancy regardless of tenofovir use

First reported use of elvitegravir and cobicistat during pregnancy

AIDS 2016, **30**:807–812

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• Children and neonates

• Pregnancy

• **Elderly**

PK-PD Dosing Issues in Special Patient Populations Elderly

(dose adjustment, toxicity, polypharmacy)

Change in elderly

- ↓ gastric acidity
- ↓ due to certain comorbidities (e.g., diabetes, Parkinson's Disease) and certain medications (e.g., anticholinergics and opioids)

Change in elderly

- ↓ renal function is common in older adults
- ↓ in stroke volume and heart rate
- ↓ functional reserve capacity
- ↓ GFR

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Change in elderly

- ↓ muscle mass
- ↓ body fat
- ↓ total body water

↓ in plasma albumin (further reduction may be due to age-related chronic conditions) α₁-acid glycoprotein may be increased (due to acute illness or chronic inflammatory disease states)

↓ first-pass metabolism due to reduced liver blood flow and mass

Change in elderly

↓ Metabolizing capacity, PHASE 1: mostly due to reduced hepatic blood flow and mass and reduced oxygen availability

THE FUTURE

PK STUDIES of **NEW AB** for the PAEDIATRIC POPULATION

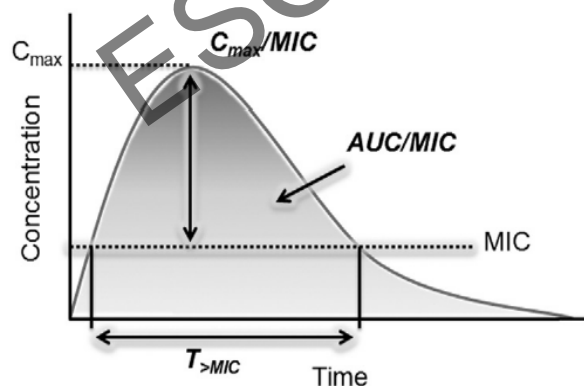
- **Populations to cover and age groups:**

- 12-18 years
- 2-11 years (could be divided into 2-5 years and 6-11 years)
- PMA >44 weeks to 2 years
- PMA <44 weeks (important to include VLBW and ELBW)

studies from **2-18 years** could be **conducted in parallel**

- **Study design:**

- **Sample size** justified **according to expected variability in PK** using **adult** and or **PBPK extrapolation – POSSIBLY ONLY SINGLE/MULTIPLE DOSE PK..**
 - 7-9 evaluable patients per age cohort is usually the **minimum requirement**
 - 50 time-points at different times are needed in sparse sampling studies



- **Data analysis:**

- **Population PK models** should be developed first **from adult data to support extrapolation**, and then **updated to cover all studied paediatric age groups**
- **Probability of target attainment (PTA)** should be **simulated for all age groups – RE-CONSIDER PD TARGETS IN SPECIAL POPULATIONS...**



GARDP

Global Antibiotic Research
& Development Partnership

PK-PD Dosing Issues in Special Patient Populations

NeoAMR

TPP1



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Indication	Empiric treatment of neonatal sepsis, including meningitis (premature and term, early and late onset)
Patient Population	Neonates with pSBI in settings of high prevalence of resistance to first line WHO empiric therapy
Route of Administration	i.v. (intravenous), 30-120 min infusions
Dosing Schedule	2-4 x daily
Efficacy	Comparable clinical activity to amoxicillin/gentamicin or ceftriaxone/gentamicin in claimed indication Clinical activity in pathogens resistant to amoxicillin/gentamicin or ceftriaxone/gentamicin
Treatment duration	5-28 days
Safety / Tolerability	Low propensity for resistance development, large therapeutic window concerning hepatotoxicity, nephro- and CNS-toxicity, no QT-prolongation
Drug Interactions	Comparable to competitors
Key Countries	Europe, the Americas, Asia, Africa
Price / Day of Therapy	Average ex-factory price at launch: low/DOT (directly observed therapy)
Pharmacoeconomics	Reduction of intensive care unit and hospitalization days (modelling). Reimbursable

NeoFosfo

Objectives

assess the **safety** of IV fosfomycin with regard to possible elevation of **sodium, calcium and creatinine** at **Day 2 and 7** in neonates

estimate the **PK of IV fosfomycin** in neonates

estimate the **oral bioavailability** of fosfomycin in neonates

Treatment

Randomised to Amp/Gent (SoC) vs Amp/Gent plus a 7-day course of fosfomycin

48 hours (or more) IV fosfomycin, followed by up to 5 days of oral fosfomycin.

Neonates will move to oral fosfomycin once they are tolerating oral feeds.

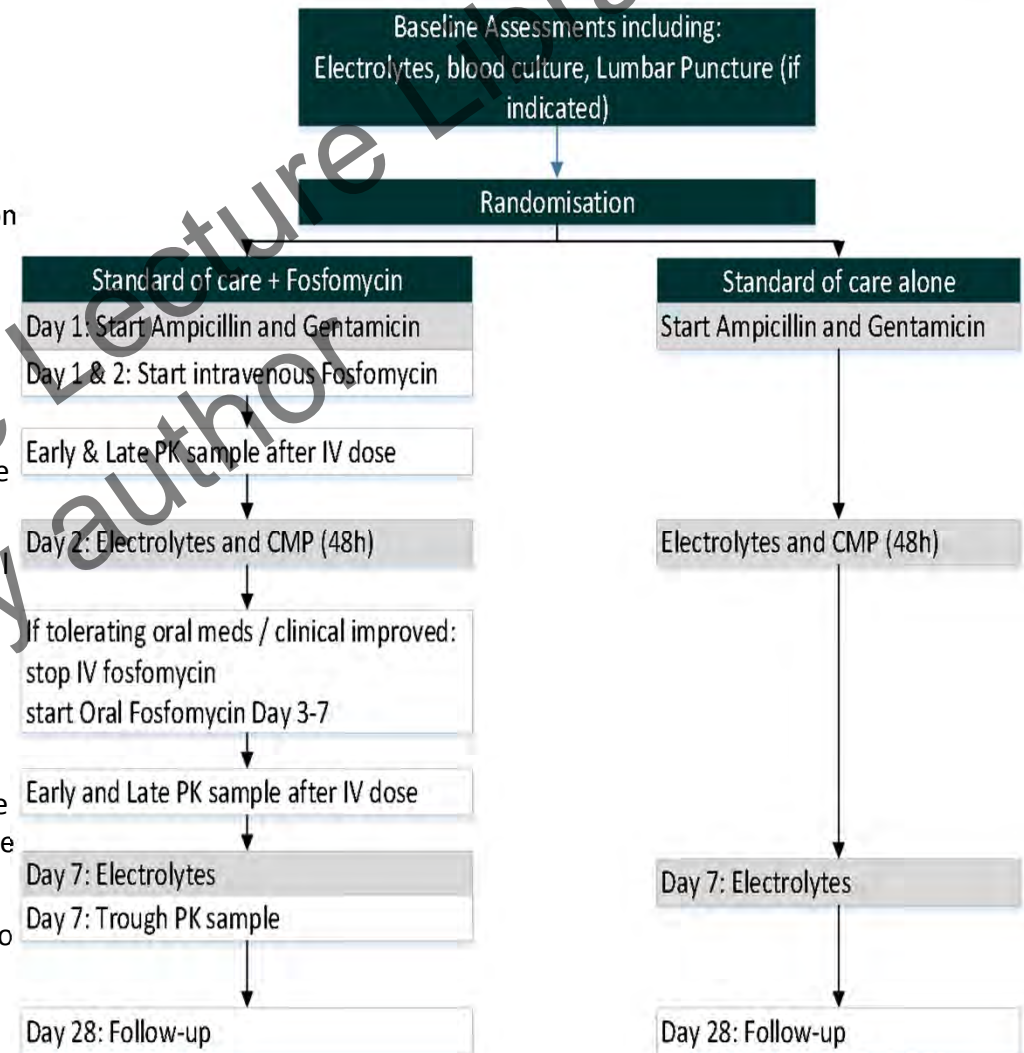
PK and Safety Sampling

Two PK samples will be taken after the first IV and oral doses; the sampling times will be randomly allocated to one of three possible early and late time points

blood sampling for electrolytes including sodium at Day 2 and 7 to assess fosfomycin safety

Statistics

Sample size: 60 babies to get 45 with complete PK



PK-PD Dosing Issues in Special Patient Populations

NeoAMR

TPP2

Indication	Neonatal sepsis, where MDR Gram-negative pathogens have been demonstrated, including K. pneumoniae, P. aeruginosa or Acinetobacter spp. Including CROs Neonatal meningitis
Patient Population	Hospitalized neonates with severe infections, failure on optimal current treatment and proven microbiology
Route of Administration	i.v., 30-120 min infusions
Dosing Schedule	2-4 x daily
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Main Competitors	Colistin monotherapy



OPTIONS FOR IMPROVING THE PHARMACOVIGILANCE OF NEONATAL AND PAEDIATRIC AB POST MARKETING APPROVAL



- The reporting of pharmacovigilance data on antibiotics in neonates and children is currently limited.
- PENTA has collected extensive PV data through the establishment of a European Paediatric Registry – EPPICC.
- A similar approach could use a Sentinel Survey approach in a network of major children's hospitals, collecting clinical, safety and outcome data on children prescribed specific ABs.
- Post Marketing Authorisation registry data should become an increasingly important component of Paediatric AB DD programs

PK PD IN SPECIAL POPULATIONS

- High unmet clinical need – 2 billion children – quarter global population – 130 million newborns
- Complex PK, but improved study design, M+S, make studies much more feasible
- Continuing need to accelerate studies of new AB...continued pragmatism required – some data better than no data..including neonatal PK
- Major programme to define optimal old AB combinations for MDR infections in pregnancy, neonates and children – GARDP
- Further consideration about PD in special populations..
- Manage risk – inaction is not an option