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6th International Workshop – GBHI 2024  
April 16-17, 2024 - Rockville, MD**

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## **GBHI 2024 In-Person Event**

**Tuesday – Wednesday, April 16 - 17, 2024**

United States Pharmacopeia (USP) Meeting Center

[12601 Twinbrook Pkwy, Rockville, MD 20852](https://www.usp.org/locations/12601-Twinbrook-Pkwy-Rockville-MD-20852)

**Wenlei Jiang, Food and Drug Administration (FDA), US (Co-Chair)**  
**Barbara S. Schug (SocraTec R&D), Germany (Co-Chair)**

**Day 1 – Tuesday, April 16, 2024**

**8:00 AM – 5:00 PM US EDT**

**All times are in US Eastern Daylight Savings Time**

<b>8:00 - 8:30 AM</b>	<b><i>CHECK-IN/BREAKFAST</i></b>
<b>8:30 - 8:35 AM</b>	<b><i>Workshop Opening</i></b> Wenlei Jiang, Food and Drug Administration (FDA), US (Co-Chair)
<b>8:35 - 8:40 AM</b>	<b><i>Welcome and Introduction</i></b> PQRI Board Chair (Invited)
<b>8:40 - 9:00 AM</b>	<b><i>Opening Remarks</i></b> Lei Zhang (FDA), US
<b>SESSION 1: MOVING THE NEEDLE TOWARDS CONVERGENCE ON ICH M13 TOPICS</b> Session Chairs: Nilufer Tampal (FDA), US & Paulo Paixão (Infarmed), Portugal	
<b>9:00 - 9:05 AM</b>	<b><i>Summary of Preceding GBHI Discussions on ICH M13 Related Topics</i></b> Nilufer Tampal (FDA), US
<b>Part 1: Oral PBPK</b>	
<b>9:05 – 9:20 AM</b>	<b><i>Physiological Based Pharmacokinetics (PBPK) Fasted/Fed Bioequivalence (BE) – Generic Industry Perspective</i></b> Rebeka Jereb (Sandoz)
<b>9:20 – 9:35 AM</b>	<b><i>Industry Perspective on the Utility of Model-Based Approaches in BE</i></b> Filippos Kesisoglou (Merck), US
<b>9:35 – 9:50 AM</b>	<b><i>PBPK Modeling for Waiving Fed BE Study</i></b> Rodrigo Cristofolletti (University of Florida), US
<b>9:50 – 10:10 AM</b>	<b><i>PANEL DISCUSSION</i></b> Rebeka Jereb, Filippos Kesisoglou, Rodrigo Cristofolletti, Paulo Paixão, Fang Wu (FDA), US

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10:10 – 10:30 AM	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>
<b>Part 2: Narrow Therapeutic Index (NTI) Drugs And Highly Variable Drugs (HVDs)</b>	
10:30 – 10:50 AM	<b>BE Study Design for NTI Drugs and Control of Type I Error</b> Paulo Paixão (Infarmed), Portugal
10:50 - 11:10 AM	<b>Alternative BE Criteria/Approaches for NTI Products</b> Wanjie Sun (FDA), US
11:10 – 11:30 AM	<b>Deep Dive into Generic Drug Applications to Seek Data-Driven Harmonization of BE Criteria for NTI drugs</b> Wenlei Jiang (FDA), US
11:30 – 11:50 AM	<b>HVD and Type I Error</b> Helmut Schutz (BEBAC) Austria
11:50 AM - 12:10 PM	<b>Two-stage Designs and their Acceptability in the EC Area</b> Susanne Urach, European Medicines Agency (EMA), Austria
12:10 - 12:40 PM	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION</b> Paulo Paixão, Wanjie Sun, Wenlei Jiang, Helmut Schutz, Susann Urach
12:40 - 1:30 PM	<b>LUNCH</b>
<b>SESSION 2: BE CONSIDERATIONS FOR MODIFIED RELEASE (MR) DRUG PRODUCTS: SINGLE DOSE VS MULTIPLE DOSE STUDIES AND STRENGTH WAIVERS</b> Session Chairs: Barbara Schug (SocraTec R&D), Germany & John Gordon (Health Canada), Canada	
1:30 – 1:45 PM	<b>Summary of Preceding GBHI Discussions on MR Drug Products including Solid Oral MR Products, Transdermal Therapeutic Systems and Long-Acting Injectables (LAI)</b> Barbara Schug, (SocraTec R&D), Germany
<b>Part I: Single Dose vs. Multiple Dose for BE Demonstration of MR Products</b>	
1:45 – 1:55 PM	<b>Why Are Multiple-Dose Studies Considered Necessary for MR Drug Products at Risk for Accumulation – Background Information on the EMA Requirement</b> Carolien Versantvoort, Medicine Evaluation Board (MEB), The Netherlands
1:55 – 2:25 PM	<b>How PopPK Modeling Could Help Avoid Multiple Dose Studies: Industry Perspective</b> Vivek Purohit (Pfizer), US
2:25 - 2:45 PM	<b>Model-Integrated Evidence (MIE) to Demonstrate BE for LAI and Implantables</b> Yuqing Gong (FDA), US
2:45 - 3:10 PM	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION</b> Carolien Versantvoort, Vivek Purohit, Yuqing Gong, Other Panelists TBD
3:10 - 3:30 PM	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>
<b>Part 2: Studies Needed for BE Demonstration of Additional Strengths in Solid Oral MR Products</b>	
3:30 - 3:45 PM	<b>European Specificities of MR Drug Products Strength Waiver – Differentiation Between Single and Multiple Unit Dosage Forms</b> Carolien Versantvoort (MEB), The Netherlands

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3:45 - 4:00 PM	<b><i>Current FDA Consideration and Practices for BE Demonstration of Additional Strengths in Solid Oral MR Products</i></b> Rong Wang (FDA), US
4:00 - 4:25 PM	<b><i>Industry Examples on BE Demonstration of Additional Strengths in Solid Oral MR Products</i></b> Yihong Qiu (QPD Solutions LLC), US
4:25 - 4:50 PM	<b><i>PANEL DISCUSSION</i></b> Carolien Versantvoort, Rong Wang, Yihong Qiu, Heather Boyce (FDA), USA; other panelists TBD
ADJOURN DAY 1	<b><i>Workshop Closing</i></b> USP Representative
6:00 – 7:30 PM	<b><i>Networking Reception</i></b> <a href="#"><u>Hilton Washington DC/Rockville Hotel &amp; Executive Meeting Center</u></a> <a href="#"><u>1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD</u></a>

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**Tuesday – Wednesday, April 16-17, 2024**

Day 2 – Wednesday, April 17, 2024 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM US EDT All Times in US Eastern Daylight Savings Time	
8:00 - 8:15 AM	<b>BREAKFAST</b>
<b>SESSION 3: Partial AUC (pAUC) for Bioequivalence Demonstration</b> Session Leads: Meहुल Mehta (FDA), US & Jan Welink (MEB), The Netherlands	
<b>Part 1: Regulatory Overview</b>	
8:15 - 8:35 AM	<b>FDA Current Rationales to Recommend pAUC and Practice for Product Evaluation</b> Lucy Fang (FDA), US
8:35 - 8:50 AM	<b>EMA Current Practice</b> Jan Welink, (MEB), Netherlands
8:50 - 9:00 AM	<b>Health Canada Current Practice</b> John Gordon (Health Canada), Canada
9:00 - 9:15 AM	<b>ANVISA Current Practice</b> Eduardo Agostinho Freitas Fernandes (ANVISA), Brazil
<b>Part 2.: Academic Overview</b>	
9:15 - 9:50 AM	<b>Advantages and Challenges of Partial AUC: Insights from GI Physiology, Pharmacokinetics, and Drug Dissolution in the GI Tract</b> Duxin Sun (University of Michigan), US
<b>Part 3: Industry Viewpoint</b>	
9:50 - 10:05 AM	<b>Innovator Industry Experiences on pAUC</b> Jack Cook (A2-Ai), US
10:05 - 10:20 AM	<b>Application of pAUC for Evaluation of MR Products: Generic Perspectives</b> Russell Rackley, Viatris, US
10:20 - 10:35 AM	<b>Early Exposure in IR Products: pAUC and Alternative Approaches – View from the Generic Industry</b> Susana Almeida (IGBA), Switzerland
10:35 - 10:55 AM	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>
10:55 - 11:50 AM	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION</b> Lucy Fang, Jan Welink, John Gordon, Duxin Sun, Jack Cook, Russell Rackley, Susana Almeida, Eduardo Agostinho Freitas Fernandes, Hao Zhu (FDA), USA, Junya Makino (PMDA), Japan
11:50 AM- 12:50 PM	<b>LUNCH</b>

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<b>SESSION 4: BE STUDY CONSIDERATION FOR ORALLY INHALED DRUG PRODUCTS (OIDPs)</b>	
<b>Session leads: Wenlei Jiang (FDA), US &amp; Gerald Beuerle (Teva), Germany</b>	
<b>12:50 - 12:55 PM</b>	<b><i>Summary of Preceding GBHI Discussion on OIDPs</i></b> Gerald Beuerle (Teva), Germany
<b>Part 1: Regulatory Session</b>	
<b>12:55 - 1:10 PM</b>	<b><i>EMA Current Practices for BE Evaluation of OIDPs</i></b> Alfredo García Arieta (AEMPS), Spain
<b>1:10 - 1:25 PM</b>	<b><i>PMDA Current Practices for BE Evaluation of OIDPs</i></b> Junya Makino (PMDA), Japan
<b>1:25 - 1:40 PM</b>	<b><i>FDA Current Practices for BE Evaluation of OIDPs</i></b> Ke Ren (FDA), US
<b>1:40 - 2:00 PM</b>	<b><i>PANEL DISCUSSION</i></b> Alfredo García Arieta, Junya Makino, Ke Ren, Eduardo Agostinho Freitas Fernandes
<b>2:00 - 2:20 PM</b>	<b><i>COFFEE BREAK</i></b>
<b>Part 2: Scientific Session</b>	
<b>2:20 - 2:45 PM</b>	<b><i>Progress Made in Alternatives to Comparative Pharmacodynamic and Clinical Endpoints for BE Demonstration of OIDPs</i></b> Bryan Newman (FDA), US
<b>2:45 - 3:10 PM</b>	<b><i>Identify Key in vitro Comparative Tests &amp; Propose Optimal Data Analysis Method for in vitro Tests</i></b> Anthony Hickey (Research Triangle Institute), US
<b>3:10 - 3:35 PM</b>	<b><i>Systemic Pharmacokinetic BE studies With and Without Blocked GI Absorption to Predict Regional Lung Exposure</i></b> Barbara Schug (SocraTec R&D), Germany
<b>3:35 - 4:00 PM</b>	<b><i>Recommended Studies to Support Different Levels of Post Approval Changes of OIDPs</i></b> Xian-Ming Zeng (TranspireBio), US
<b>4:00 - 4:40 PM</b>	<b><i>PANEL DISCUSSION</i></b> Bryan Newman, Barbara Schug, Xian-Ming Zeng, Anthony Hickey
<b>4:40 - 4:50 PM</b>	<b><i>Day 2 Closing Remarks</i></b> Barbara S. Schug (SocraTec R&D), Germany (Co-Chair)

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