

Outcome Prediction in Radiopharmaceutical Therapy Using PBPK/PD Modelling

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Predicting Outcome (Toxicity) in Radiopharmaceutical Therapy

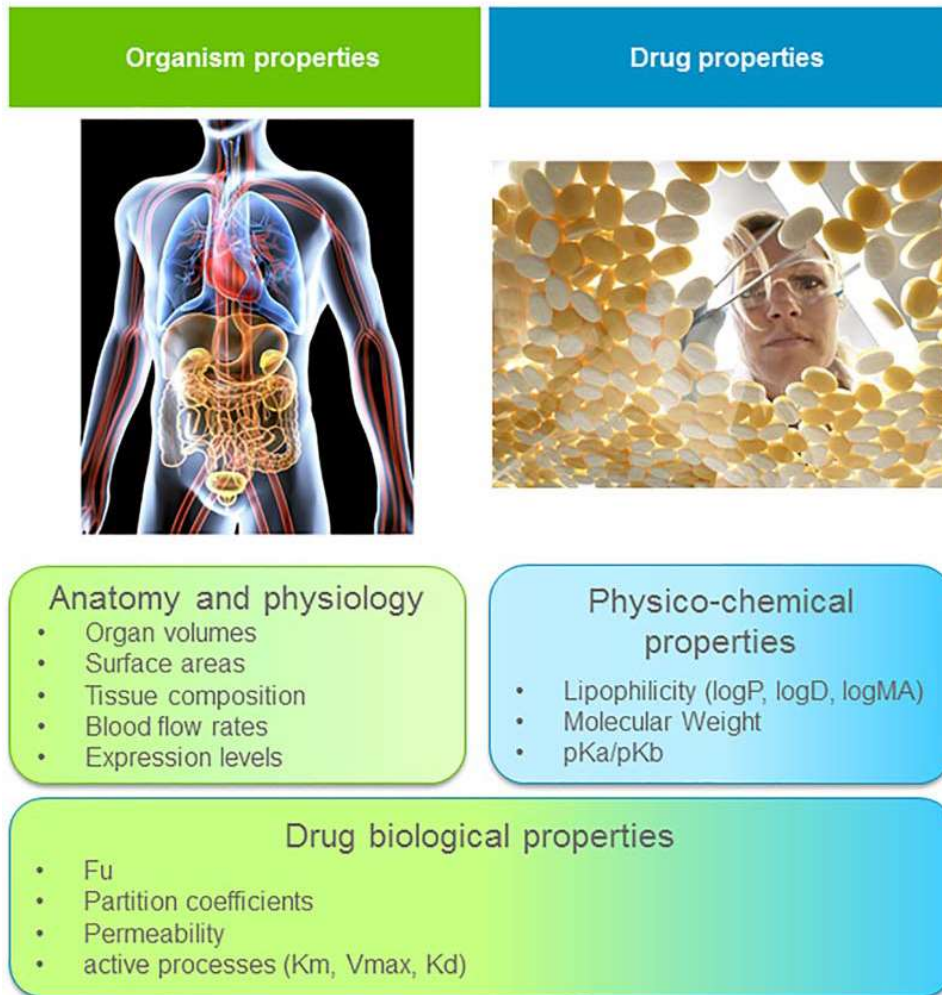
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- Pharmacokinetics
 - „What the body does to the drug“

Physiologically-based pharmacokinetic model

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Physiologically-Based Pharmacokinetic (PBPK) Model



A priori knowledge ...

Physiological models identify compartments with actual body spaces; actual transfer and flow rates are employed.

⇒ This can be described as a non-linear system of differential equations.

⇒ Implemented in a computer.

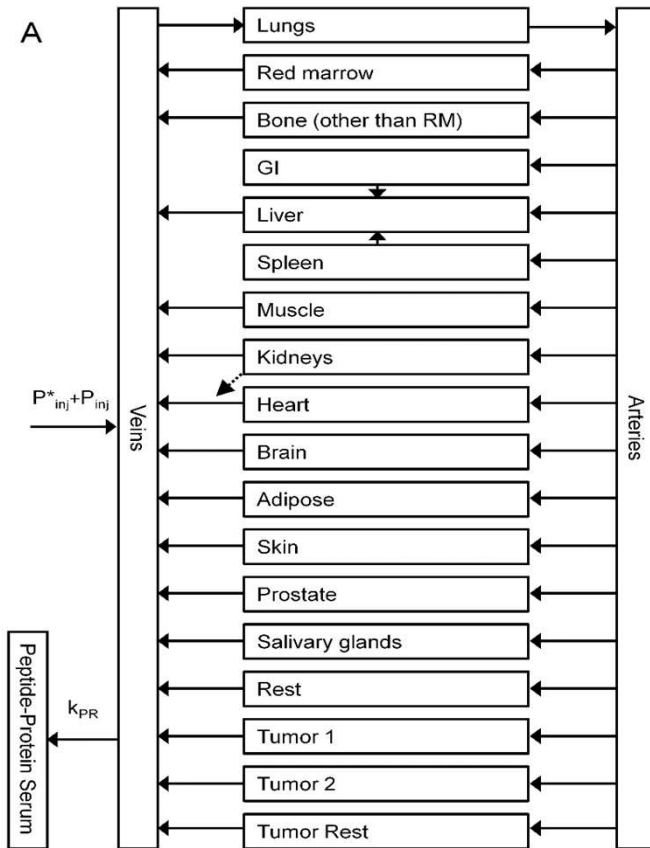
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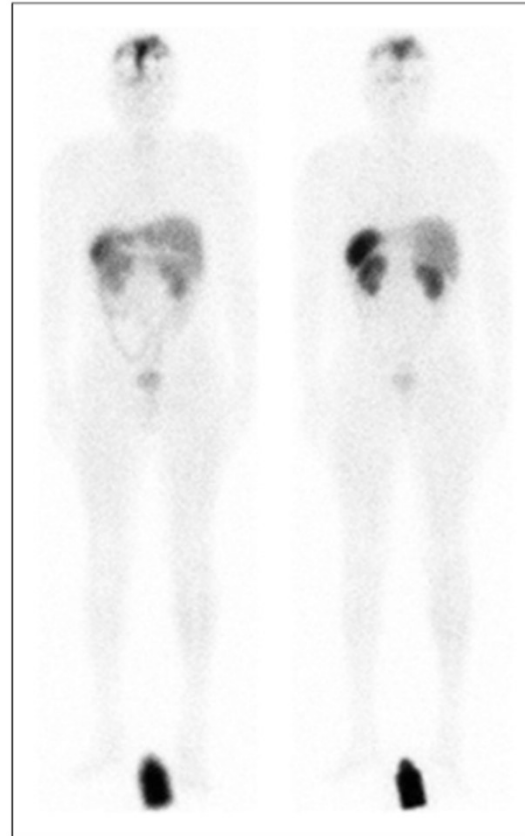
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PBPK-Model + Individual Parameters = Virtual Patient

„in silico“



+



= Virtual NET patient
 ^{177}Lu -DOTATATE

Can be used for
simulations and
predictions.

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Radiobiological Model (Dose-Effect Relationship)

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Biologically effective dose (BED)

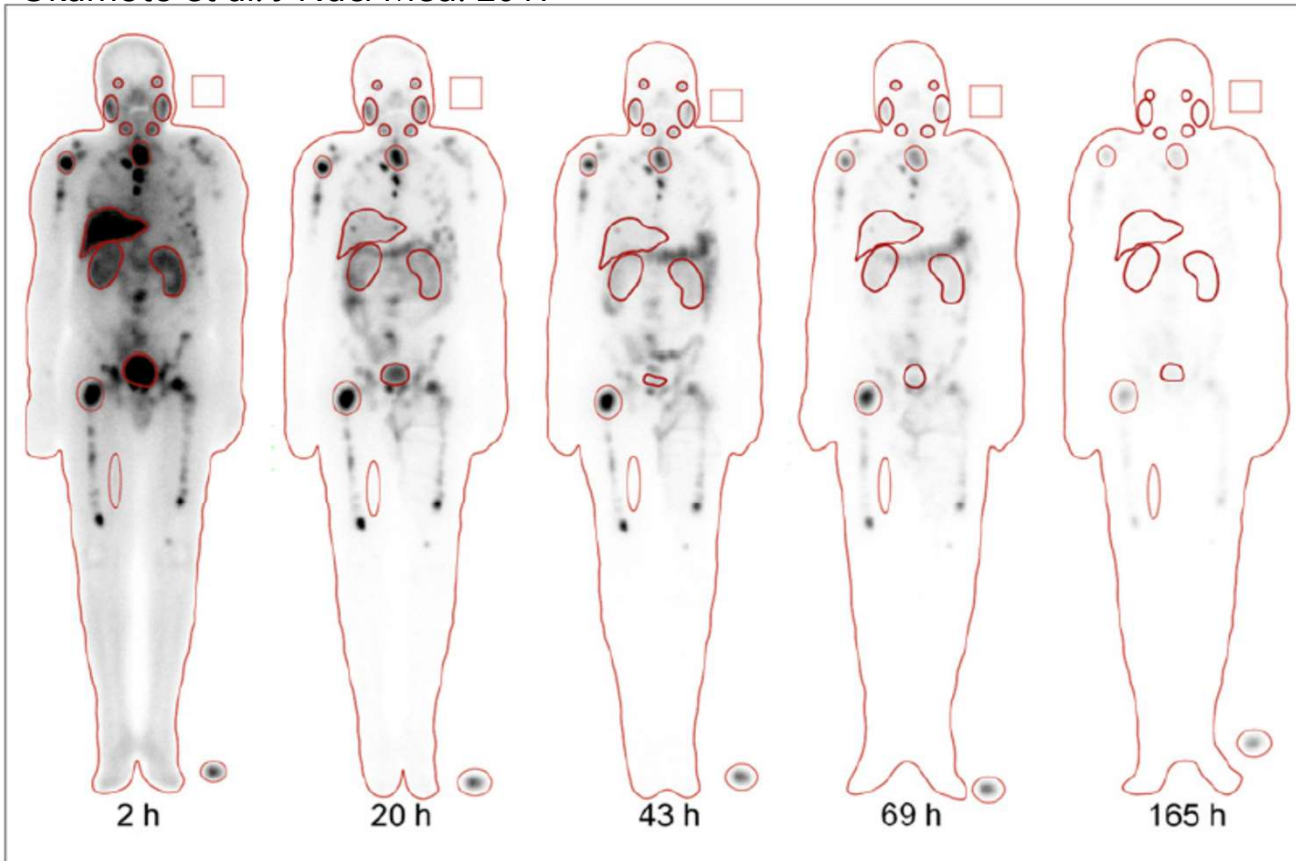
- Linear-quadratic model (alpha and beta parameters)
- Repair rate μ

- Tumour growth model

Strigari L, Konijnenberg M, Chiesa C, Bardies M, Du Y, Gleisner KS, *et al.* The evidence base for the use of internal dosimetry in the clinical practice of molecular radiotherapy. *Eur J Nucl Med Mol Imaging* **2014**;41:1976-88

Example: ^{177}Lu -PSMA I&T

Okamoto et al. J Nucl Med. 2017



Metastatic Castration-Resistant Prostate Cancer

It would be good to identify in advance those patients who will not profit from the treatment
=> outcome prediction

FIGURE 1. ^{177}Lu -PSMA I&T whole-body scintigraphy images obtained at 2, 20, 43, 69, and 165 h after administration. Regions of interest were drawn on liver, kidneys, parotid glands, submandibular glands, lacrimal glands, and lesions in right humerus, thoracic vertebrae, and right femur. 2022

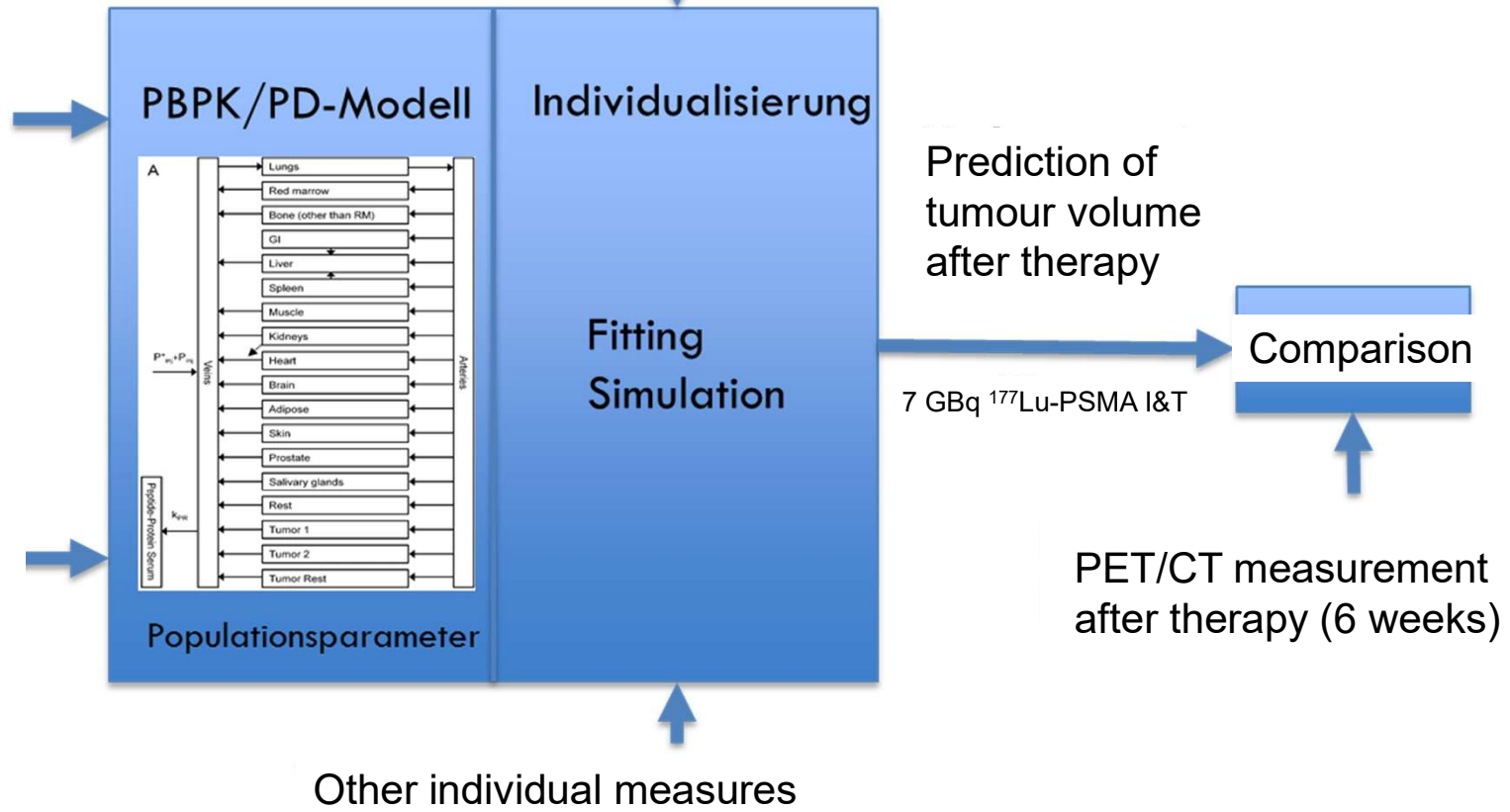


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Modelling and Prediction of Tumour Response in RLT

^{68}Ga -PET/CT
measurement
before therapy

Physiology,
anatomy and
ligand properties



Prediction of
tumour volume
after therapy

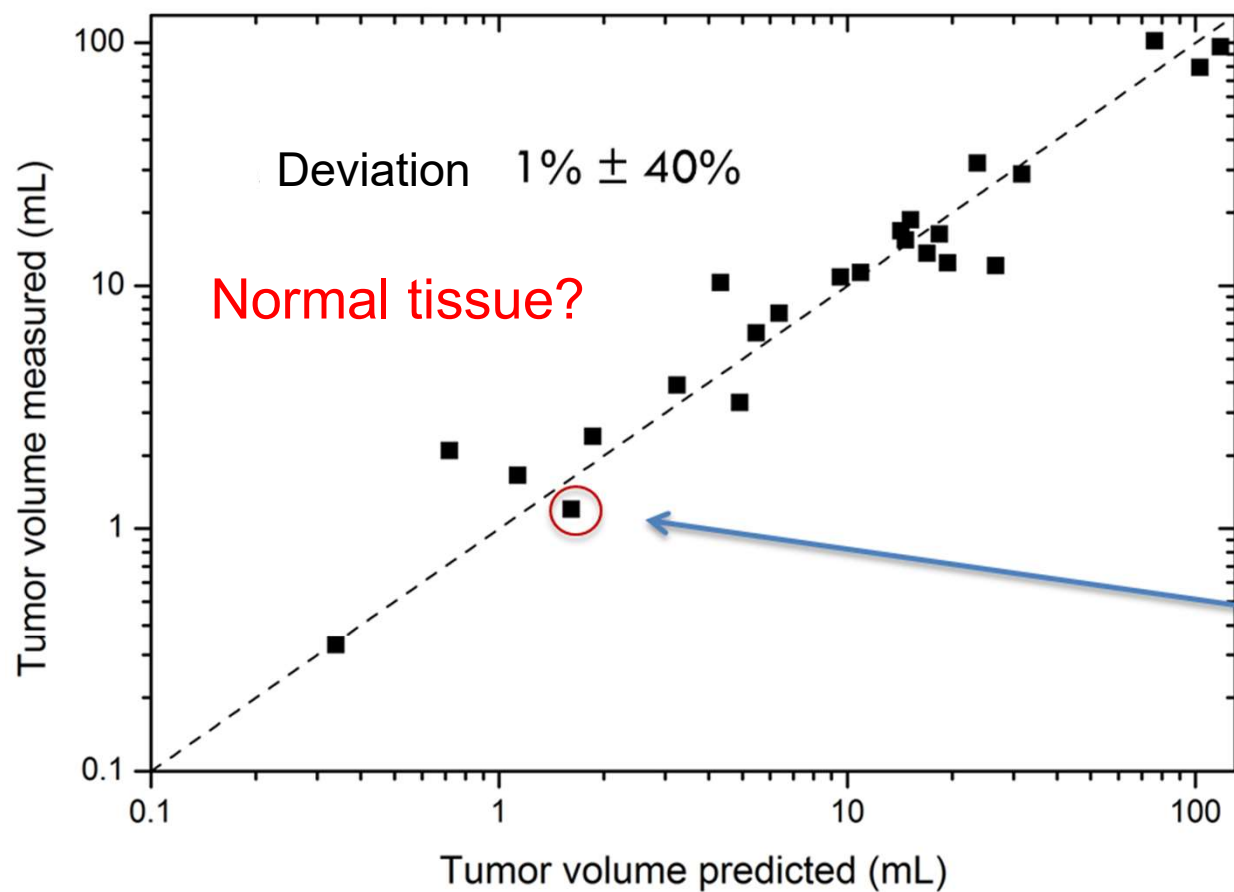
Comparison

7 GBq ^{177}Lu -PSMA I&T

PET/CT measurement
after therapy (6 weeks)

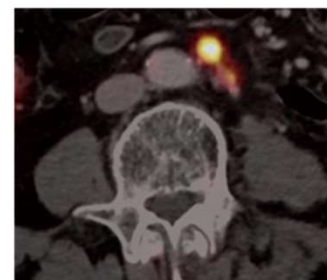
Other individual measures

PET/CT-Based „Outcome“ Prediction (Tumour Volume)

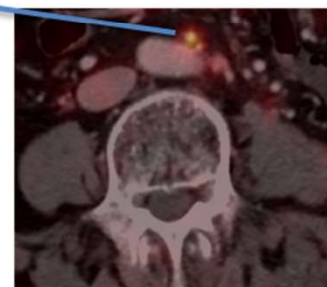


Summary:

- Combination of PK and PD
- Prediction good in average
- Improvements are needed



Before therapy



After therapy

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