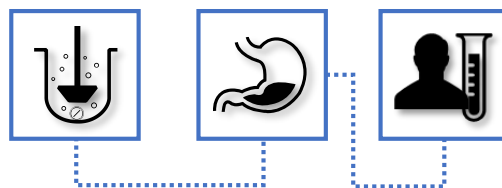


**Establishment of novel IVIVC model combined with DoE  
for the development of extended-release formulation:  
from formulation composition to in vivo pharmacokinetics**

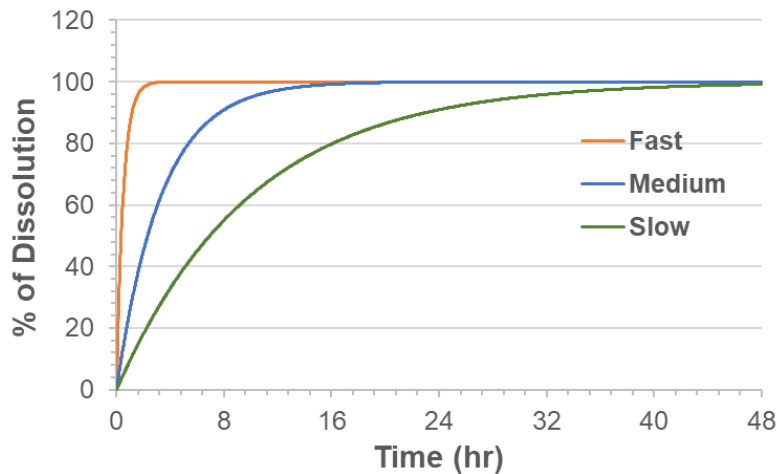


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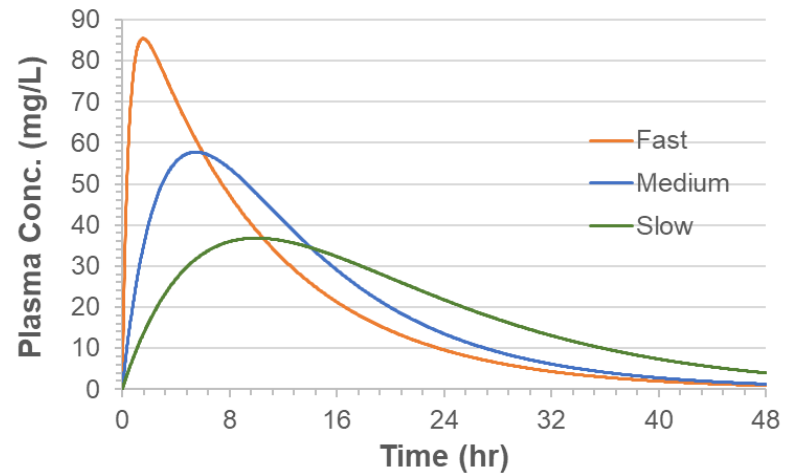
# What is “Extended Release Formulation”?

## Extended Release Formulations

Extended-release dosage formulations are dosage forms designed to release a drug at a predetermined rate in order to maintain a constant drug concentration for a specific period of time with minimum side effects.

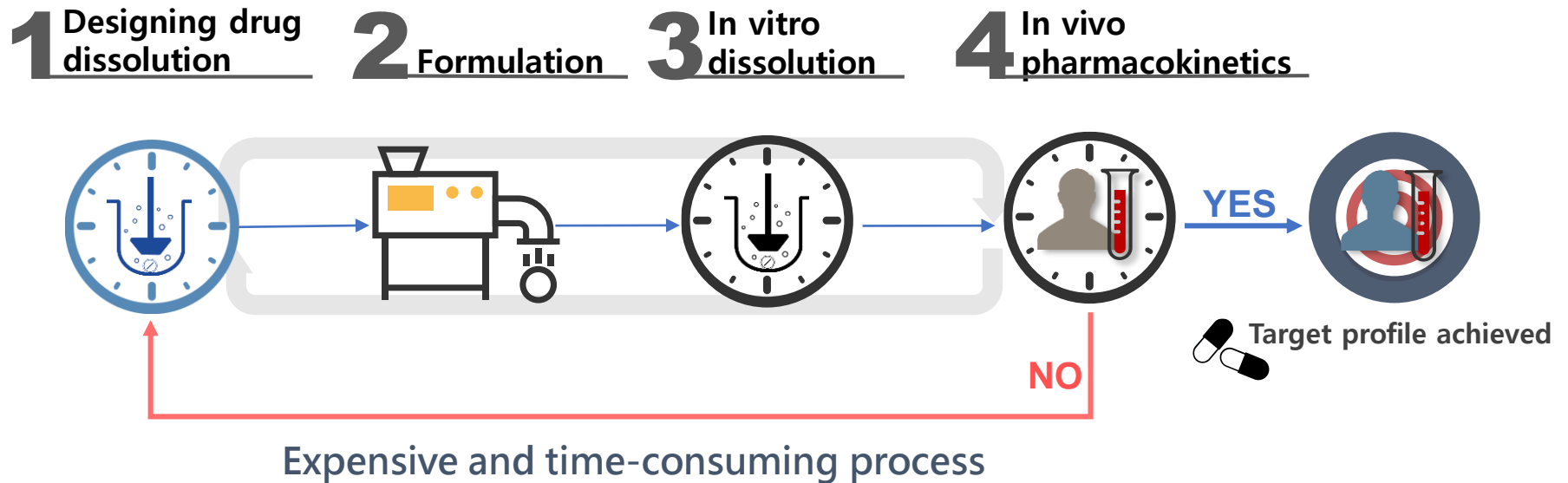


Dissolution profiles  
**in vitro**



Plasma concentration vs. time profiles  
**in vivo**

# Development process of the extended release (ER) formulations



## Formulation strategies of ER formulations

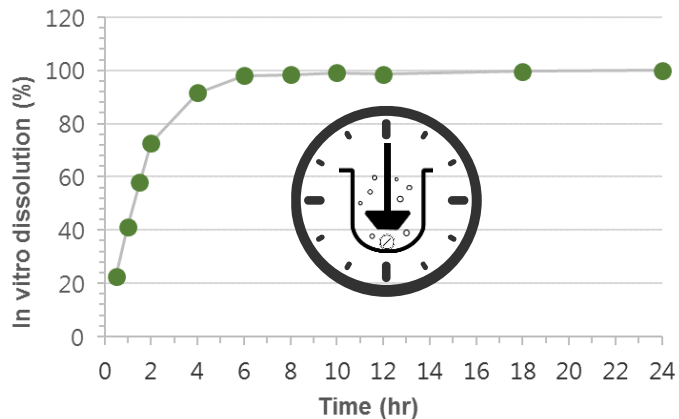
- Hydrophilic/inert matrix system (HPMC)
- Coated particles
- Osmotic pump
- Ion-exchange resins



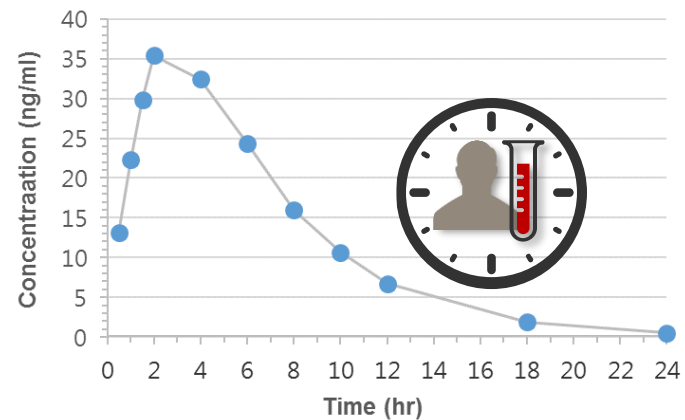
# What is “In Vitro-In Vivo Correlation (IVIVC)”?

“**US FDA definition of IVIVC**  
A predictive mathematical model describing the relationship between an **in-vitro property** of a dosage form and an **in-vivo response**”

## Application 1: Prediction of PK profile from dissolution pattern



**In vitro property: Dissolution**



**In vivo response: PK profile**

Application 2: Design the optimal dissolution pattern for the desired PK profile

# Application of IVIVC for the development of extended release (ER) formulations

Increases success rate, Saves time and cost

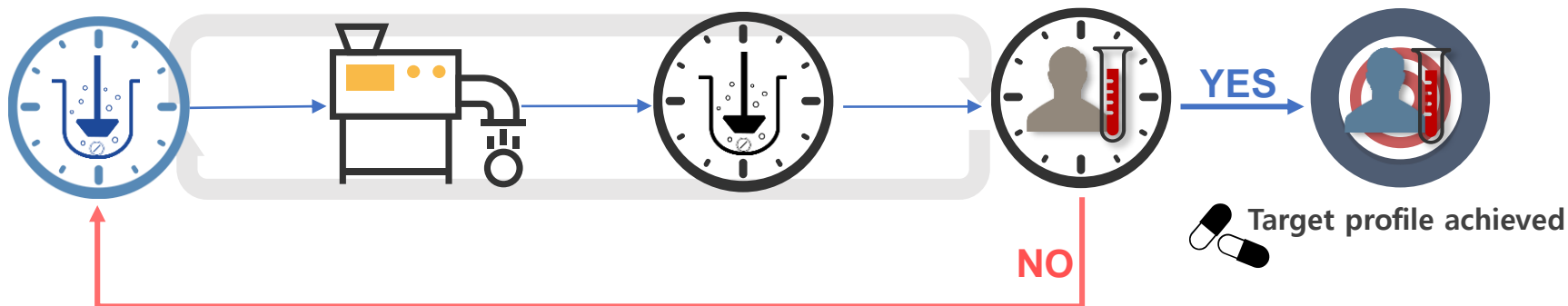


**1** Designing drug dissolution

**2** Formulation

**3** In vitro dissolution

**4** In vivo pharmacokinetics

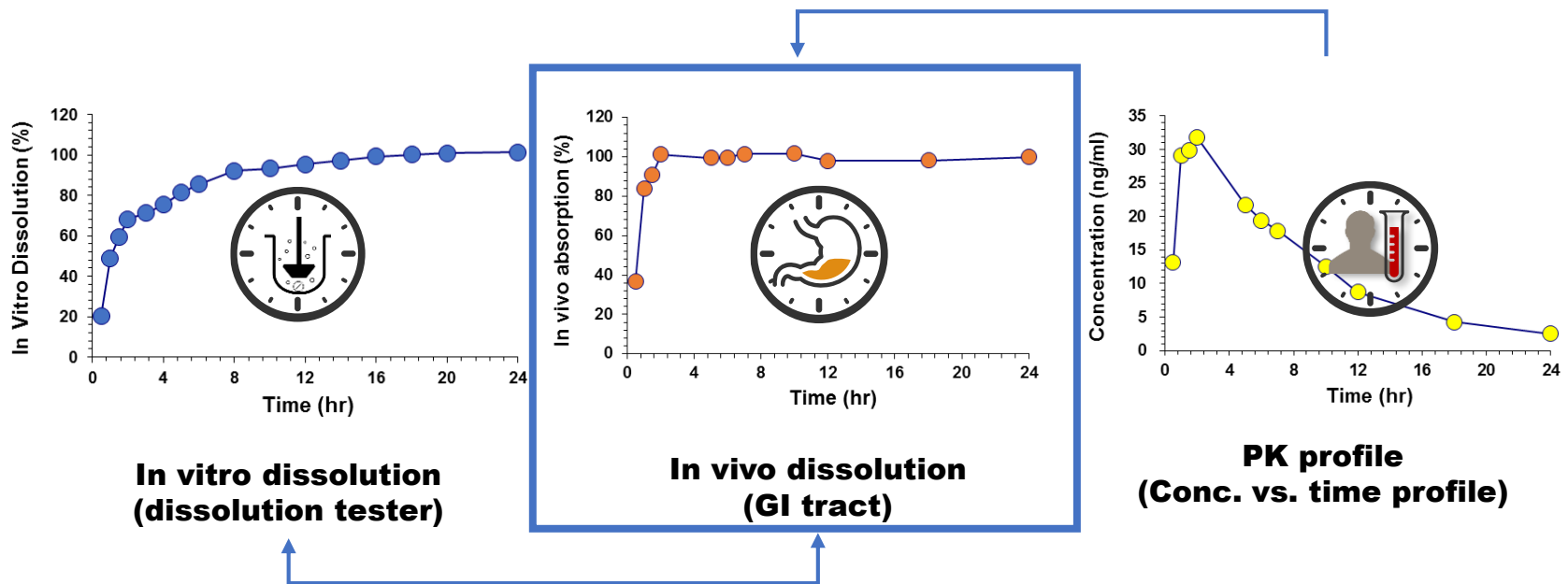


Expensive and time consuming process

# Process of establishing in vitro-in vivo correlation (IVIVC)

**Step 1.** Prediction of in vivo dissolution profile in the GI tract from plasma concentration-time profile

- Wagner-Nelson
- Loo-Riegelman
- Numeric deconvolution



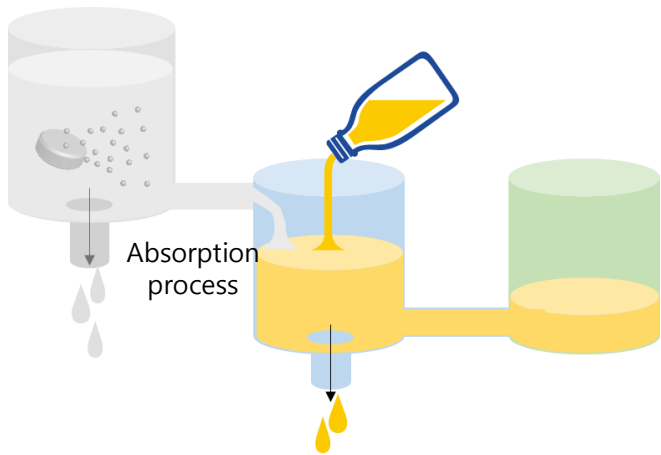
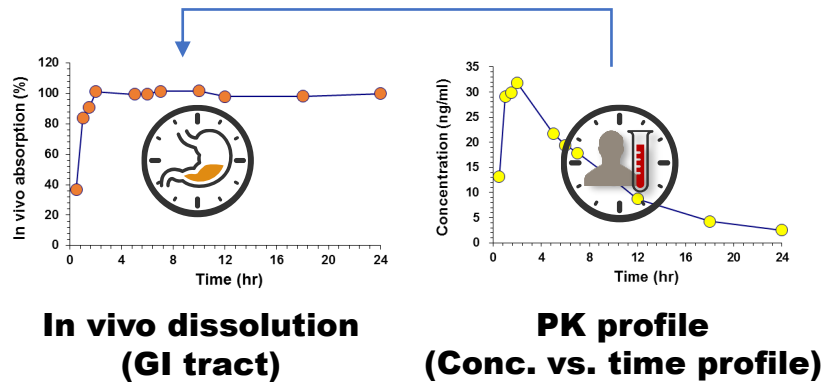
**Step 2.** Correlation between in vitro dissolution and in vivo dissolution

- Mathematical conversion (in vivo dissolution  $\leftrightarrow$  in vitro dissolution)
- Optimize the in vitro dissolution condition to mimic in vivo condition in the GI tract

# Limitation of the conventional IVIVC approach

## Step 1. (The most critical step)

Prediction of in vivo dissolution profile in the GI tract from plasma concentration-time profile



Assuming complete absorption of the drug after dissolution without absorption process

- Conventional methods assume all dissolved drug is completely absorbed without any limitation  
→ thus only can be applied for BCS I and II drugs,  
→ cannot describe complex physiological absorption process.
- Conventional IVIVC method cannot describe complex systemic drug disposition such as nonlinear PK or EHC which are frequent cases.

! Novel IVIVC approach may be necessary to improve predictability of in vivo drug performance and to expand application of IVIVC

# Development of novel physiologically relevant IVIVC model

## Case study 1 (Loxoprofen)

- NSAID used for the treatment of pain or inflammation
- Orally administered three times a day
- The extended release, once a day formulation is not available

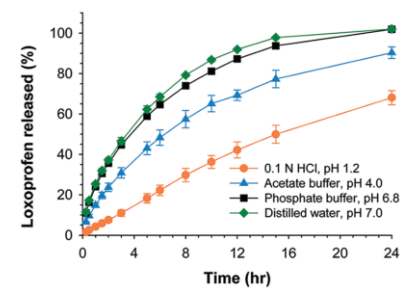
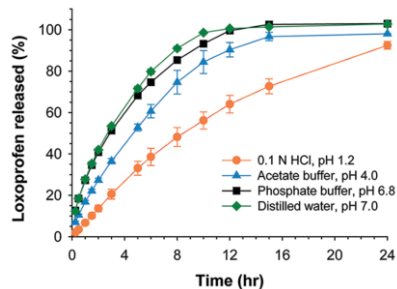
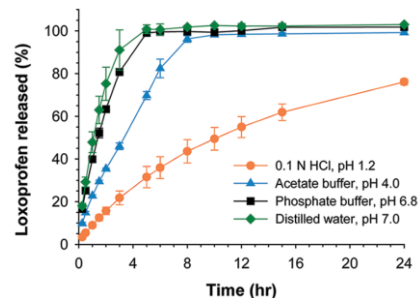


## Composition of Loxoprofen ER tablet Formulations

substances	ER-A	ER-B	ER-C
loxoprofen	37.5 (180 mg)	37.5 (180 mg)	37.5 (180 mg)
microcrystalline cellulose	53.1	20.25	20.25
polyvinylpyrrolidone K90	3.75	3.75	3.75
HPMC-100 cps	4.65	32.5	
HPMC-4000 cps		5.0	5.0
HPMC-15000 cps			32.5
Mg stearate	1.0	1.0	1.0
total	100.0	100.0	100.0

## pH-dependent in vivo dissolution

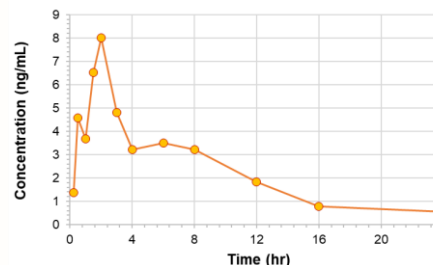
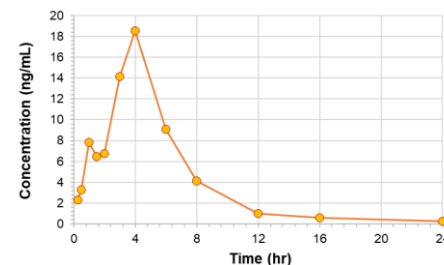
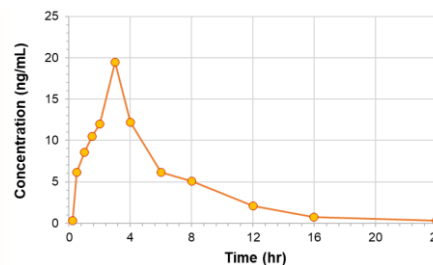
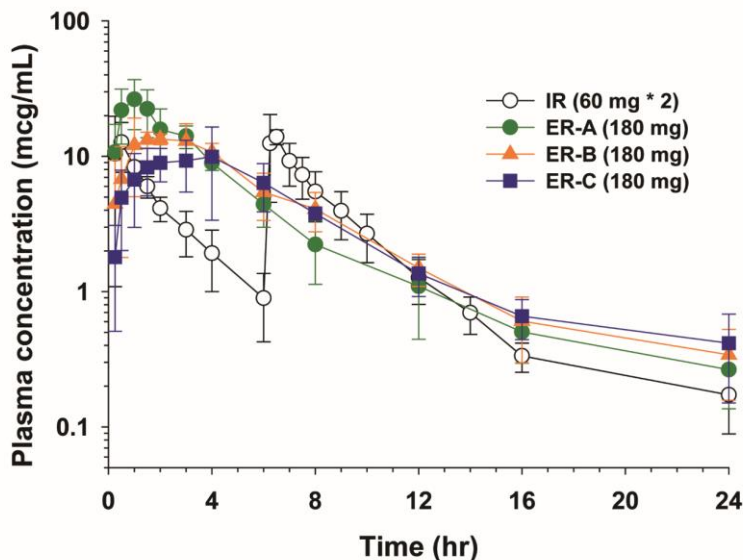
The dissolution rate was significantly altered depending on the dissolution medium pH





# Development of novel physiologically relevant IVIVC model

## Characteristics of in vivo pharmacokinetics



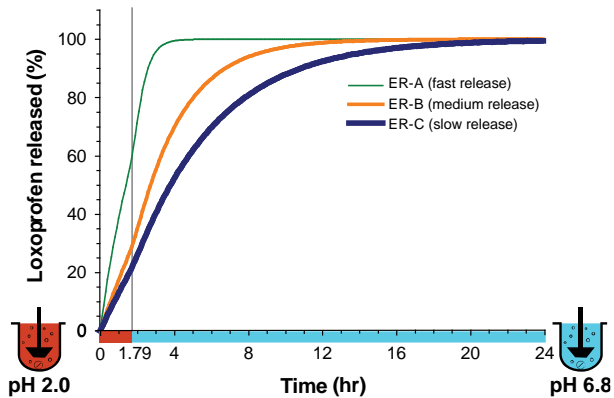
- Double peak was observed
  - Relative oral bioavailability was reduced by the extend of dissolution rate
- indicating the presence of regional absorption windows

Parameters	IR (n = 6)	ER-A, fast (n = 4)	ER-B, medium (n = 4)	ER-C, slow (n = 4)
Dose (mg)	60 mg × 2 (BID)	180	180	180
$t_{1/2}$ (h)	4.1 ± 1.0	5.5 ± 1.3	5.5 ± 3.0	5.6 ± 1.2
$T_{max}$ (h)	0.4 ± 0.1	0.9 ± 0.4	1.7 ± 0.9	2.6 ± 1.3
$C_{max}$ (µg/mL)	18.1 ± 4.1	29.8 ± 6.5	17.2 ± 3.3	12.1 ± 4.4
$AUC_{infinity}$ (µg·h/mL)	72.2 ± 17.5	99.1 ± 20.9	92.8 ± 7.9	81.9 ± 20.1
$V_z/F$ (L)	9.8 ± 4.6	14.4 ± 5.4	15.5 ± 7.9	17.7 ± 7.5
CL/F (mL/min)	27.7 ± 7.3	30.3 ± 6.6	32.3 ± 2.8	36.6 ± 9.8
Relative BA (%)	-	99.2 ± 21.0	92.9 ± 7.9	82.0 ± 20.2

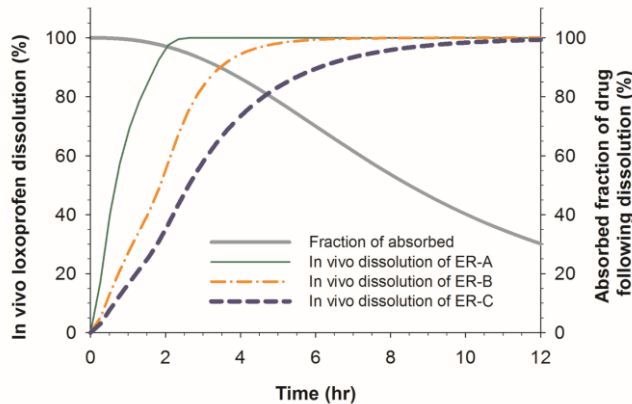
# Development of novel physiologically relevant IVIVC model

## IVIVC model structure

### ! pH dependent dissolution

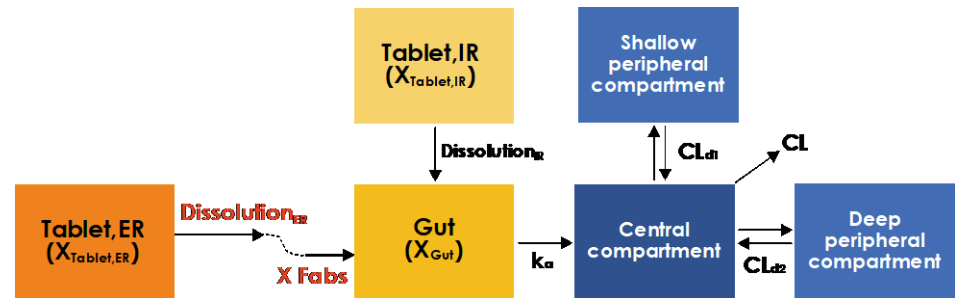


### ! Site dependent absorption



$$V_{max}(t) = V_{max}(0) \left[ 1 + \frac{E_{max} \cdot \text{time}^{10}}{(T_{change50}^{10} + \text{time}^{10})} \right]$$

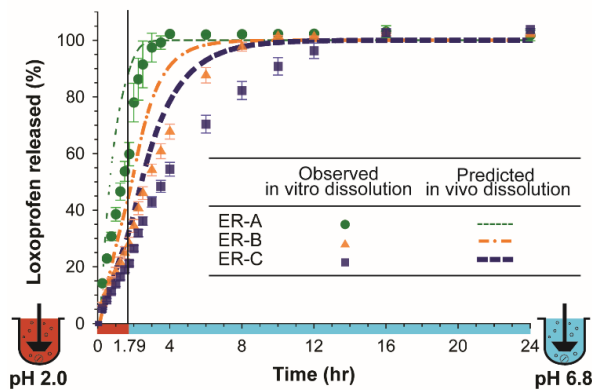
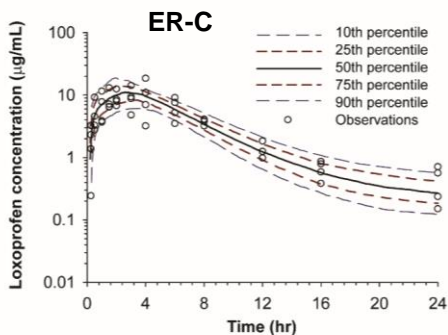
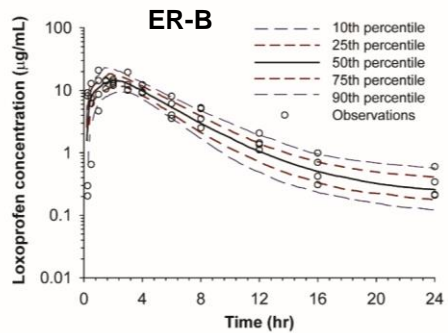
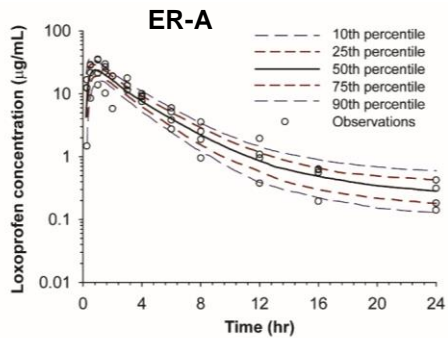
$$\frac{dX_{solid}}{dt} = - \frac{V_{max}(t)}{AM_{50} + X_{solid}} \cdot X_{solid}$$



$$F_{abs} = 1 - \frac{\text{Time}^\gamma}{TW_{50}^\gamma + \text{Time}^\gamma}$$

# Development of novel physiologically relevant IVIVC model

## Extraction of in vivo dissolution



SR-Tablet	$V_{max}(0)$ , in vitro	$V_{max}(0)$ , in vivo
ER-A tablet (fast)	6.1839	30.2112
ER-B tablet (medium)	2.4110	8.7297
ER-C tablet (slow)	1.8277	4.9057



$$V_{max}(0)_{in\ vivo} = 5.77 \cdot V_{max}(0)_{in\ vitro} - 5.42$$

parameter	symbol	unit	population mean (BSV)
volume of distribution of the central compartment	$V_1$	L	0.87 (0.457)
volume of distribution of the shallow peripheral compartment	$V_2$	L	21.5 (0.286)
volume of distribution of the deep peripheral compartment	$V_3$	L	3.49 (0.161)
systemic clearance	CL	L/h	1.69 (0.15)
distribution clearance to the shallow peripheral compartment	CLd	L/h	0.459 (0.439)
distribution clearance to the deep peripheral compartment	CLd2	L/h	3.84 (0.183)
rate constant for absorption from gut	$k_a$	1/h	10.9 (1.38)
rate constant for absorption from gut for the 2nd dose	$k_{a2}$	1/h	7.77 (0.61)
time for half maximal bioavailability	$T_{window50}$	h	8.5 (0.242)
Hill coefficient	$\gamma$		2.44 (0.281)
time point at which $V_{max}$ in vivo changed by 50%	$T_{change50}$ in vivo	h	1.79 (0.53)
maximum fold change in $V_{max}$			
amount of loxoprofen in the s			
initial $V_{max}$ in vivo for IR tablets	$V_{max}(0)$		
initial $V_{max}$ in vivo for ER-A tablets	$V_{max}(0)_{ER-A}$ in vivo/dose	1/h	30.2 (0.435)
initial $V_{max}$ in vivo for ER-B tablets	$V_{max}(0)_{ER-B}$ in vivo/dose	1/h	8.73 (0.276)
initial $V_{max}$ in vivo for ER-C tablets	$V_{max}(0)_{ER-C}$ in vivo/dose	1/h	4.91 (0.387)
lag time for ER dissolution	$T_{lag}$	h	0.11 (0.455)
SD of additive residual error	SD <sub>in</sub>	ng/mL	0.00216 (0)
proportional residual error	SD <sub>sl</sub>		0.239 (0)

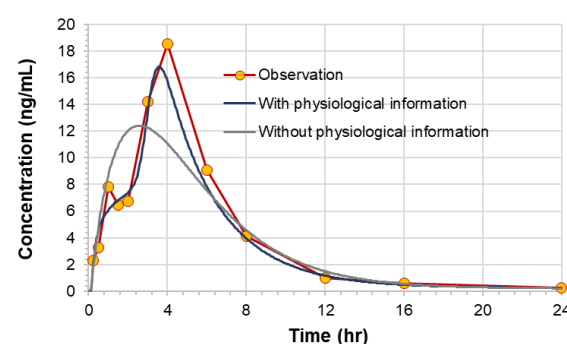
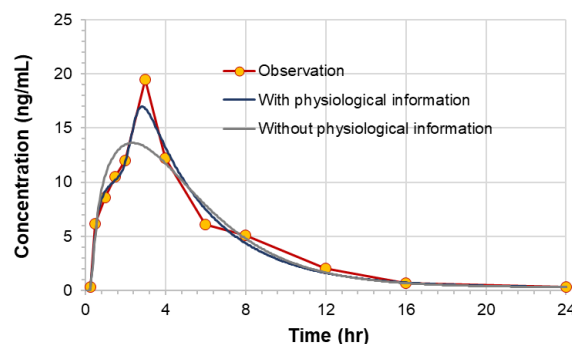
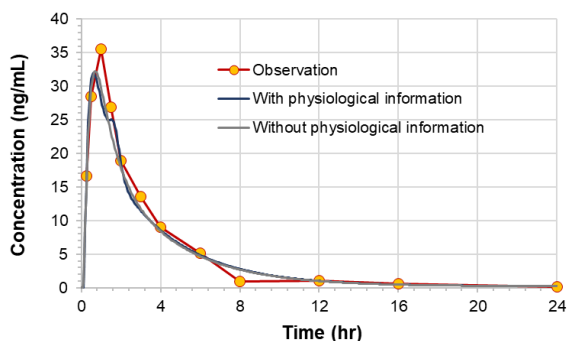
$$V_{max}(t) = V_{max}(0) \left[ 1 + E_{max} \cdot time^{10} / (T_{change50}^{10} + time^{10}) \right]$$

# Development of novel physiologically relevant IVIVC model

Interval validation

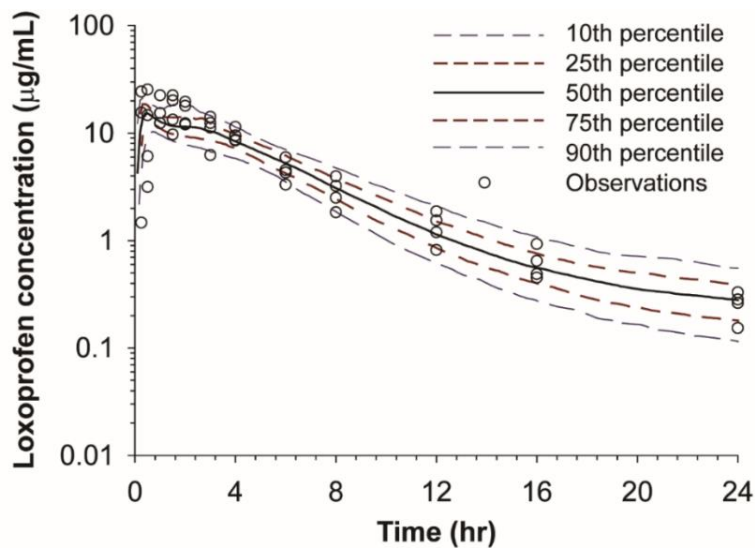
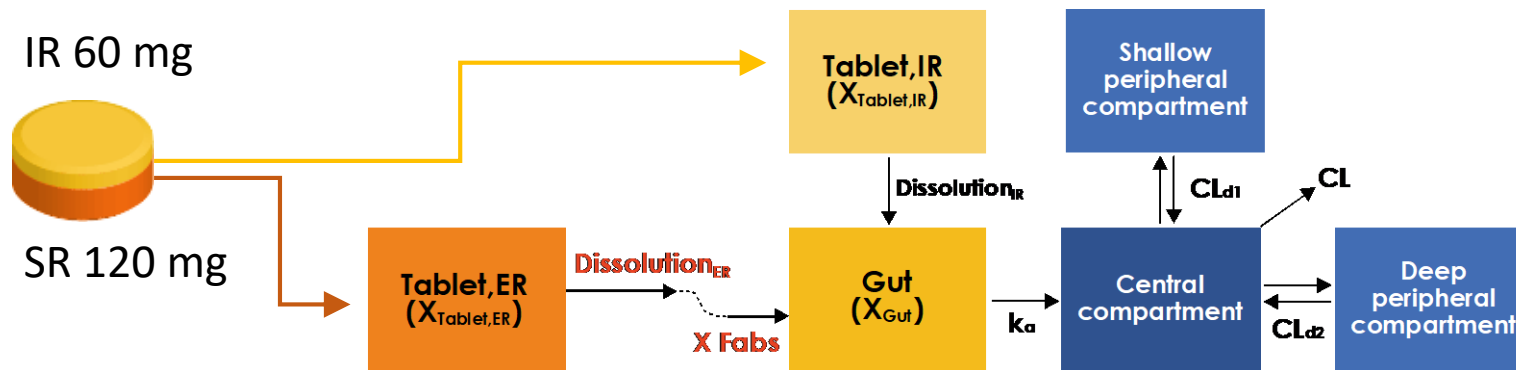


Model	Formulation	$C_{max}$			$AUC_{0-24h}$		
		Obs. ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ )	Pred. ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ )	PE (%)	Obs. ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ )	Pred. ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ )	PE (%)
<b>Model 1</b> (Conventional IVIVC model)	ER-A	29.82	22.92	23.1	96.95	84.39	12.9
	ER-B	17.17	15.07	12.2	89.35	83.80	6.2
	ER-C	12.06	9.32	22.7	78.07	82.72	6.0
<b>Model 2</b> (pH dependent dissolution)	ER-A	29.82	25.16	15.6	96.95	84.17	13.2
	ER-B	17.17	16.29	5.1	89.35	86.38	3.3
	ER-C	12.06	13.85	14.8	78.07	84.07	7.7
<b>Model 3</b> (pH-dependent dissolution, site-dependent absorption)	ER-A	29.82	27.95	6.3	96.95	88.86	8.3
	ER-B	17.17	17.32	0.9	89.35	83.56	6.5
	ER-C	12.06	12.66	4.9	78.07	75.14	3.8



# Development of novel physiologically relevant IVIVC model

## External validation and application




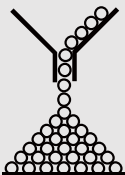










Parameter	Observed	Predicted	PE (%)
$C_{max}$ ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ )	18.79	17.29	8.0%
$AUC_{0-24h}$ ( $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{h/mL}$ )	87.93	81.87	6.9%

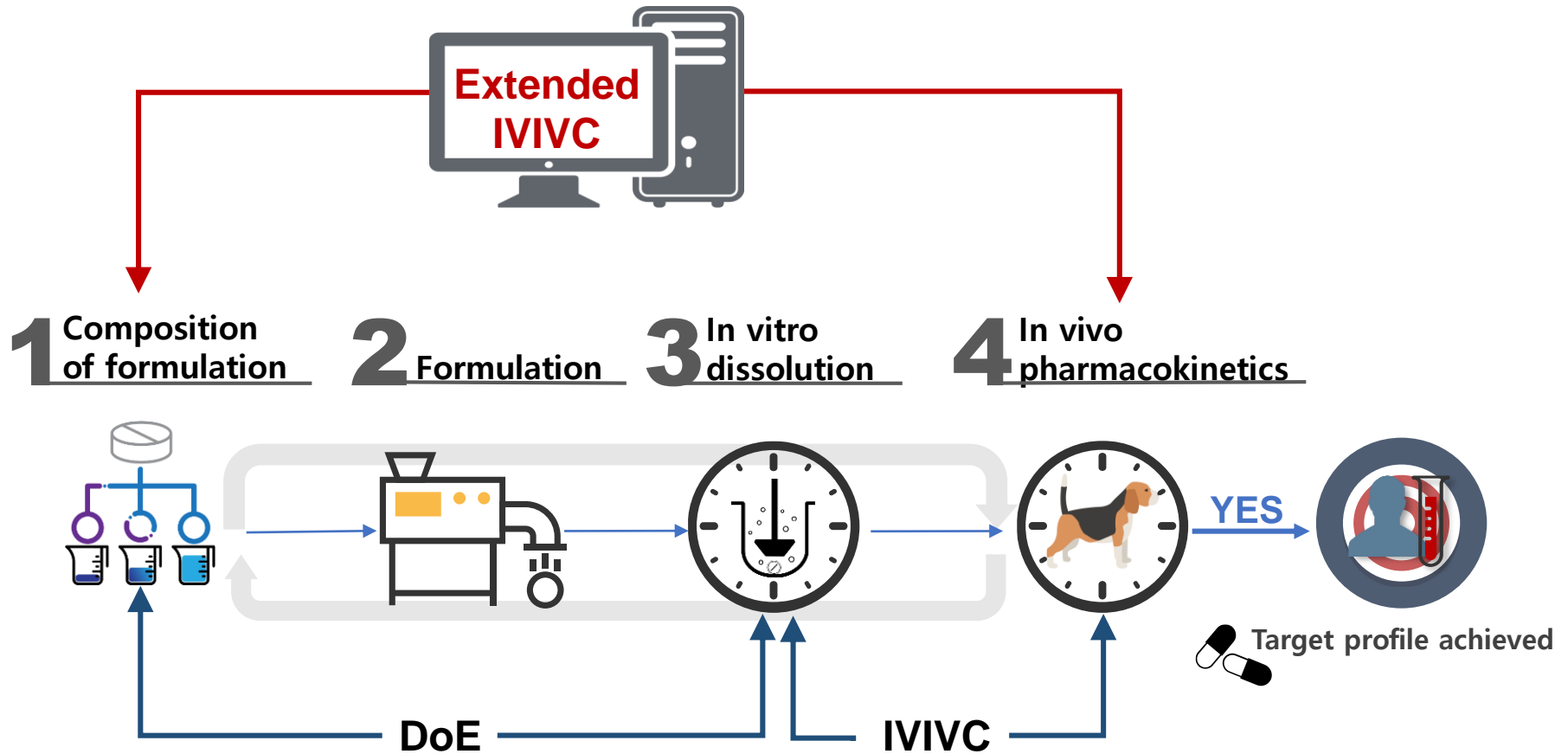
## Novel extended IVIVC combined with DoE

“**Design of experiments (DoE)**  
 Design of experiments (DOE) is a systematic method to determine the relationship between **factors affecting a process** and **the responses** of that process.”

### Optimization of formulation composition using DoE

Type of excipient	Factor	Level	Response
Diluent	Lactose	 and/or  and/or  5~20%    10~40%    15~30%	Flowability Dissolution Stability...  
	MCC		
	Starch		
Disintegrant	Croscarmellose	 and/or 	
	Crospovidone		
Binder	HPMC	 or  or  5~20%    10~20%    5~15%	
	HPC		
	Povidone		
Lubricant	Mg stearate	 or 	
	Talc		

# Novel extended IVIVC combined with DoE



# Novel extended IVIVC combined with DoE

## Case study 2 (ketoprofen)



- Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID).
- Dosage: 25 mg orally 3 times a day
- BCS II – Suitable for IVIVC
- Highly permeable at upper intestine



### Formulation of ketoprofen ER tablets

Components	Percentage (wt%)
Dexketoprofen trometamol	40.55%
<b>Lactose (<math>X_1</math>)</b>	<b>8.5~48.5%</b>
<b>HPMC2208-100 cps (<math>X_2</math>)</b>	<b>0~30%</b>
<b>HPMC2208-4000 cps (<math>X_3</math>)</b>	<b>0~30%</b>
Mg stearate	0.95%
Total	100%

$X_1$  : Lactose  
 $X_2$  : HPMC2208 100cps  
 $X_3$  : HPMC2208 4000cps

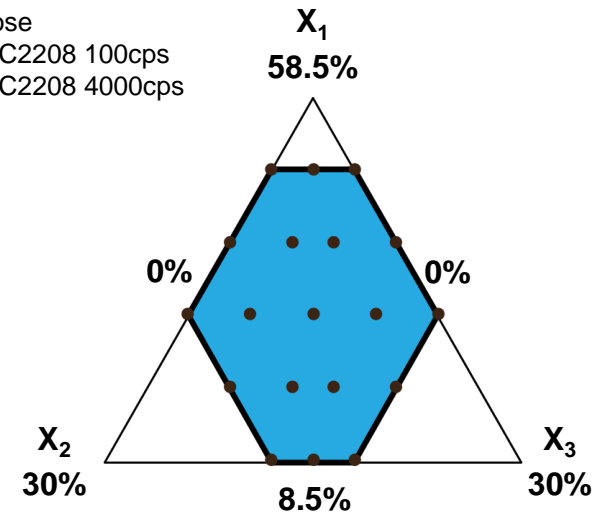


Figure. Nineteen runs in simplex mixture design.



# Mixture design for ketoprofen ER tablet dissolution control

## DoE for ketoprofen ER tablet

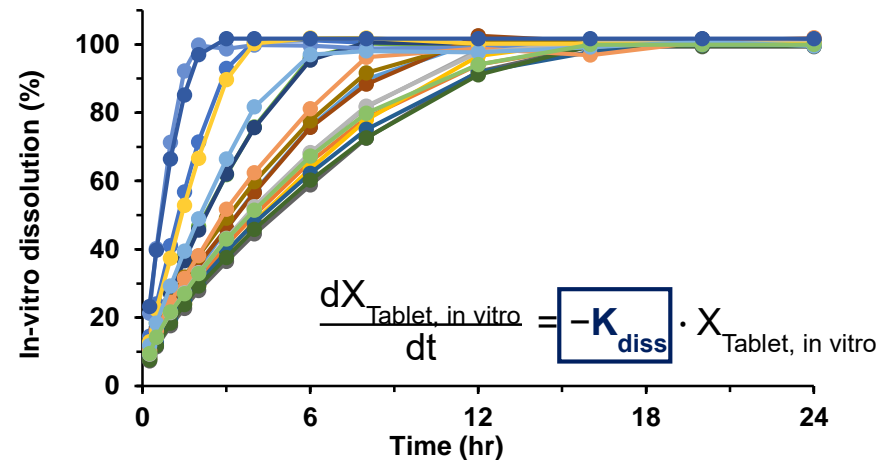
Run	Factor and level			Response
	X <sub>1</sub> (%)	X <sub>2</sub> (%)	X <sub>3</sub> (%)	Y (hr)
1	48.5	0	10	1.57
2	18.5	17.5	22.5	5.04
3	18.5	22.5	17.5	4.75
4	8.5	30	20	5.28
5	18.5	30	10	4.18
6	38.5	7.5	12.5	2.85
7	28.5	30	0	2.88
8	28.5	15	15	4.17
9	8.5	25	25	5.86
10	38.5	0	20	3.85
11	18.5	10	30	5.49
12	8.5	20	30	5.79
13	48.5	10	0	0.84
14	28.5	22.5	7.5	3.70
15	28.5	0	30	4.76
16	38.5	20	0	1.75
17	38.5	12.5	7.5	2.62
18	28.5	7.5	22.5	4.772
19	48.5	5	5	0.88

- Critical Material Attribute (CMA)

X<sub>1</sub> : Lactose  
 X<sub>2</sub> : HPMC2208 100cps  
 X<sub>3</sub> : HPMC2208 4000cps

- Critical Quality Attributes (CQA)

Y : Rate of dissolution (1/K<sub>diss</sub>)

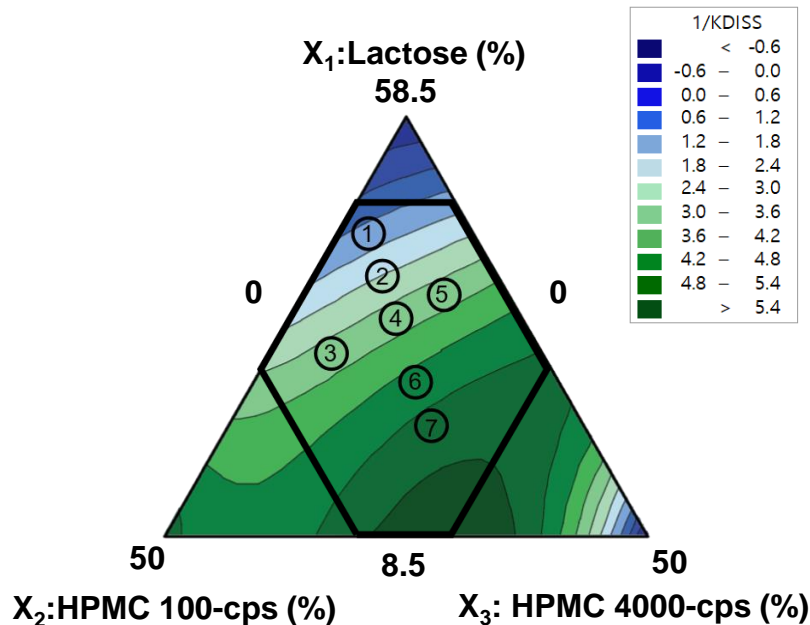


- Best fit mathematical model

$$\begin{aligned} 1/K_{\text{diss}} = & -0.007201X_1 + 0.104230X_2 - 0.147401X_3 + \\ & 0.010989X_1X_3 + 0.009113X_1X_3 - 0.000108X_1X_3(X_1-X_3) \\ & - 0.000205X_2X_3(X_2-X_3) - 0.000012X_1X_2X_3 \end{aligned}$$

# Mixture design for ketoprofen ER tablet dissolution control

## External validation for DoE



Experimentally observed

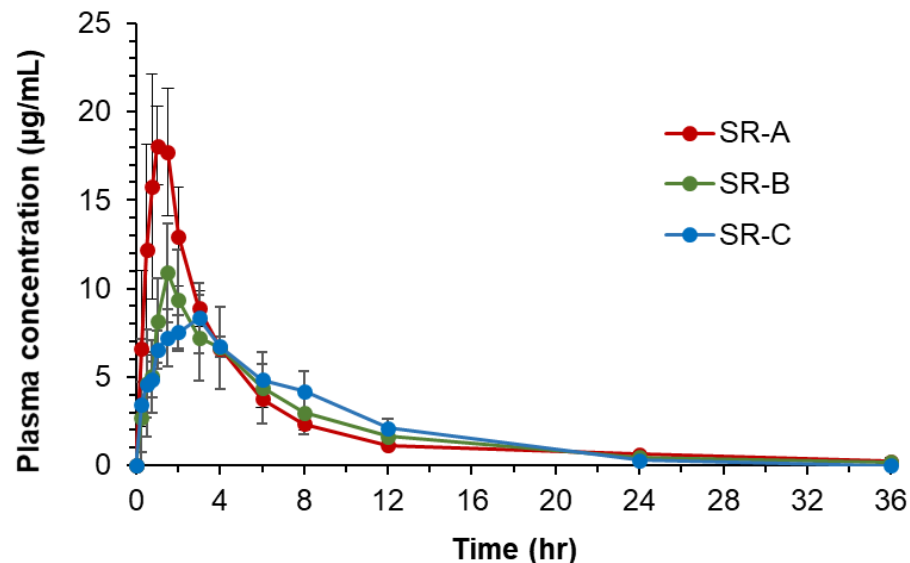
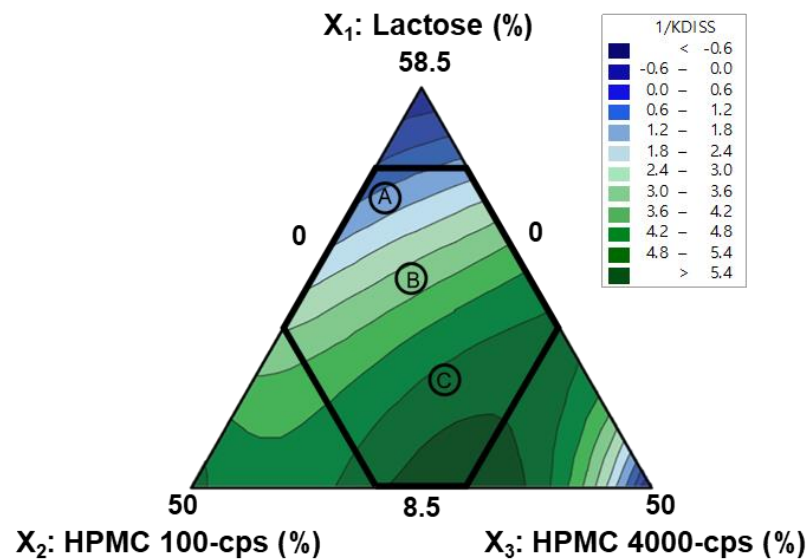
Validation	Observed $1/K_{diss}$	Predicted $1/K_{diss}$	PE (%)
Point 1	1.47	1.44	2.08 %
Point 2	2.07	2.05	1.34 %
Point 3	3.22	3.28	1.84 %
Point 4	3.42	3.24	5.42 %
Point 5	3.28	3.10	5.53 %
Point 6	4.96	4.85	2.16 %
Point 7	5.55	5.26	5.62 %

Model predicted

$$1/K_{diss} = -0.007201X_1 + 0.104230X_2 - 0.147401X_3 + 0.010989X_1X_3 + 0.009113X_1X_3 - 0.000108X_1X_3(X_1 - X_3) - 0.000205X_2X_3(X_2 - X_3) - 0.000012X_1X_2X_3$$

# Novel extended IVIVC combined with DoE

## Characteristics of in vivo pharmacokinetics

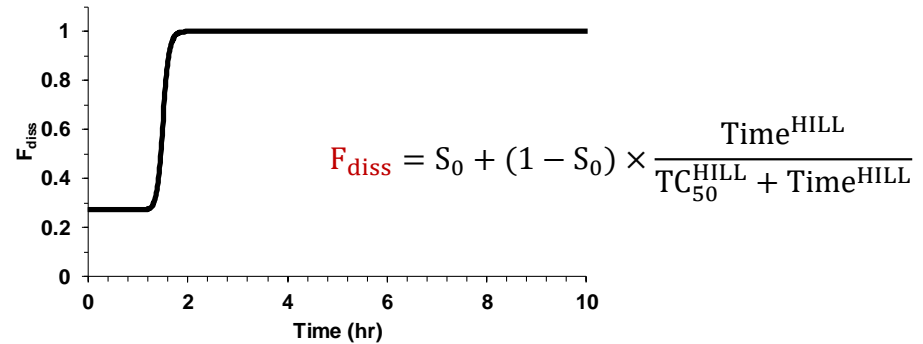
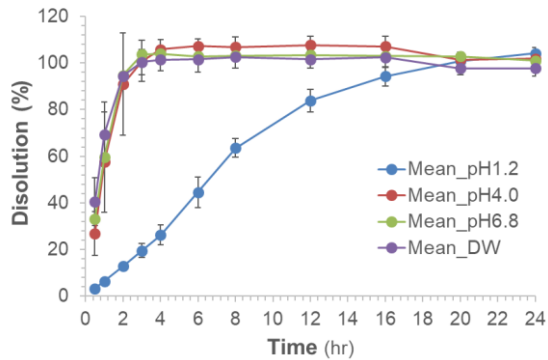


Group	$t_{1/2}$ (hr)	$T_{max}$ (hr)	$C_{max}$ (µg/mL)	$AUC_{all}$ (µg·hr/mL)
SR-A ①	$8.66 \pm 4.44$	$1.13 \pm 0.43$	$20.00 \pm 2.20$	$84.24 \pm 6.89$
SR-B ④	$7.74 \pm 3.26$	$2.13 \pm 1.25$	$11.44 \pm 1.92$	$73.68 \pm 19.31$
SR-C ⑦	$4.27 \pm 0.78$	$2.75 \pm 0.5$	$8.79 \pm 1.09$	$74.27 \pm 8.06$

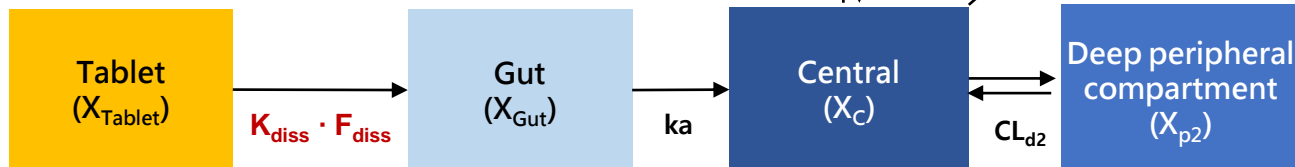
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## IVIVC model structure

! pH dependent dissolution

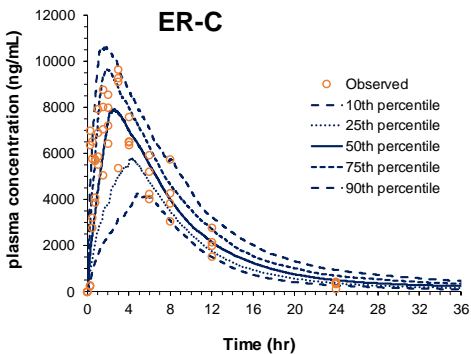
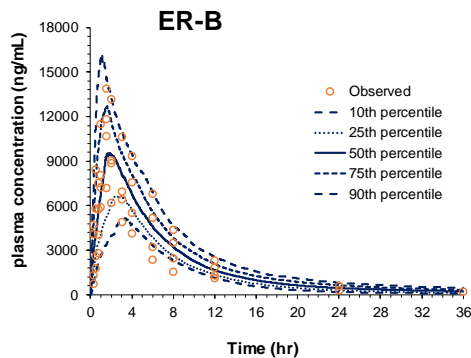
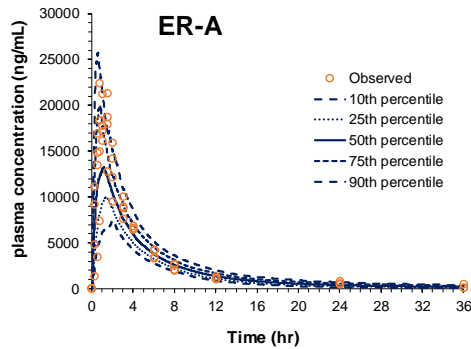


$$\frac{dX_{Tablet}}{dt} = -K_{diss} \cdot F_{diss} \cdot X_{Tablet}$$



# Novel extended IVIVC combined with DoE

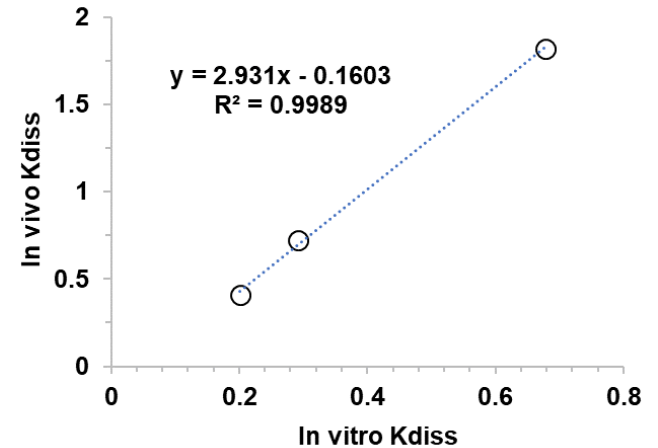
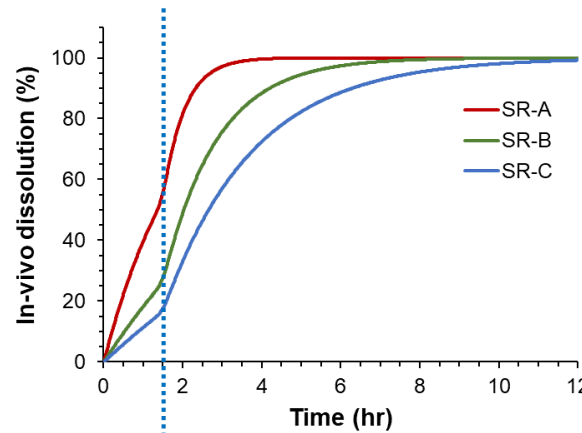
## Extraction of in vivo dissolution



SR-Tablet	$K_{diss}$ , in vitro	$K_{diss}$ , in vivo
SR-A tablet (fast)	0.67735	1.820
SR-B tablet (medium)	0.29192	0.722
SR-C tablet (slow)	0.20159	0.409

$$TC_{50} = 1.5 \text{ hr}$$

$$K_{diss} \text{ in vivo} = 2.931 \cdot K_{diss} \text{ in vitro} - 0.1603$$



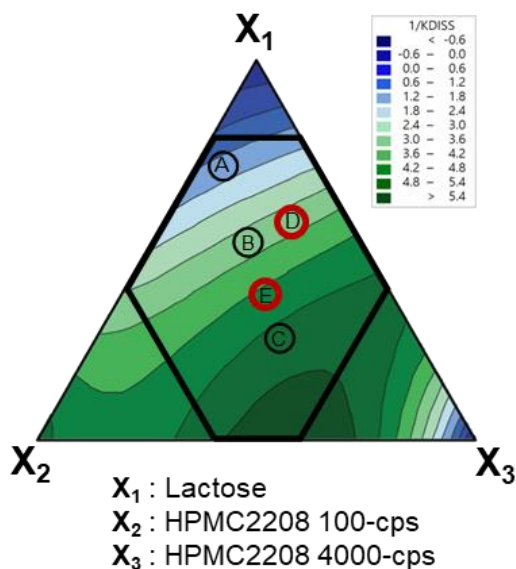
$$F_{diss} = S_0 + (1 - S_0) \times \frac{\text{Time}^{\text{HILL}}}{TC_{50}^{\text{HILL}} + \text{Time}^{\text{HILL}}}$$

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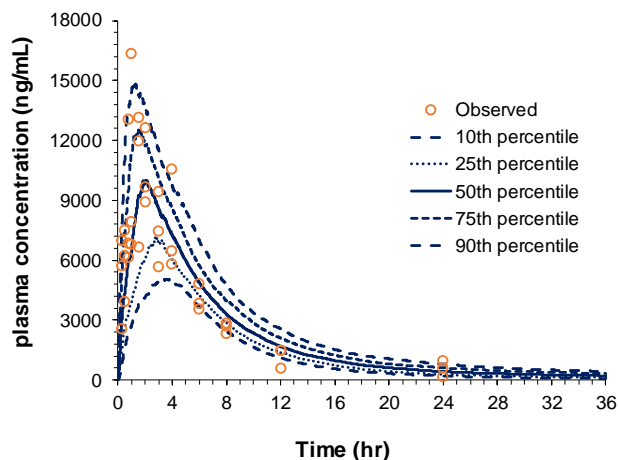
## Model validation



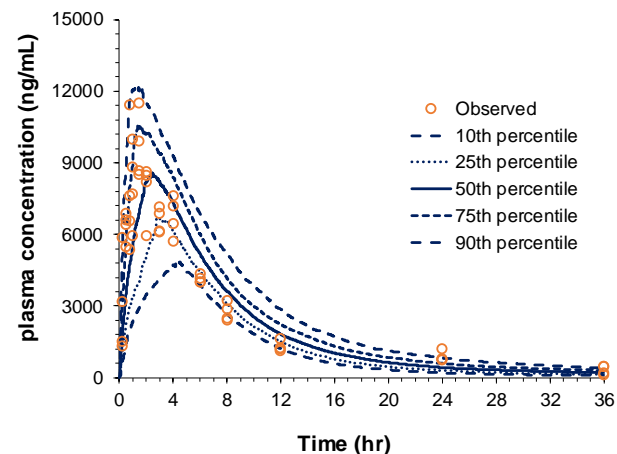
Validation	Formulation	$C_{max}$			$AUC_{0-36h}$		
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	SR-B	11.44	11.98	4.67%	73.68	75.34	2.26%
	SR-C	8.79	8.86	0.78%	74.27	76.08	2.44%
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SR-D: External validation set for DoE



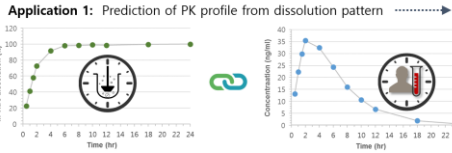
SR-E: External validation set for IVIVC model



# Summary

## What is "In Vitro-in Vivo Correlation (IVIVC)"?

**US FDA definition of IVIVC**  
A predictive mathematical model describing the relationship between an *in-vitro* property of a dosage form and an *in-vivo* response



**In vitro property: Dissolution**

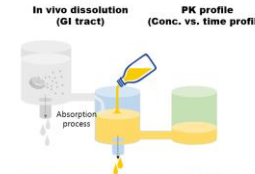
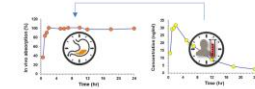
**In vivo response: PK profile**

**Application 2: Design the optimal dissolution pattern for the desired PK profile**

## Limitation of the conventional IVIVC approach

### Step 1. (The most critical step)

Prediction of in vivo dissolution profile in the GI tract from plasma concentration-time profile



Conventional IVIVC method cannot describe complex systemic drug disposition such as nonlinear PK or EHC which are frequent cases.

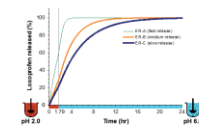
Conventional methods assume all dissolved drug is completely absorbed without any limitation  
→ thus only can be applied for BCS I and II drugs;  
→ cannot describe complex physiological absorption process.

Novel IVIVC approach may be necessary to improve predictability of in vivo drug performance and to expand application of IVIVC

## Development of novel physiologically relevant IVIVC model

### IVIVC Model structure

#### 1 pH dependent dissolution

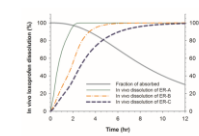


$$V_{max}(t) = V_{max}(0) [1 + k_{max} \cdot \text{time}^{10} / (1 + k_{max} \cdot \text{time}^{10})]$$

$$\frac{dX_{solid}}{dt} = -\frac{V_{max}(t)}{A M_{50} + X_{solid}} \cdot X_{solid}$$



#### 2 Site dependent absorption



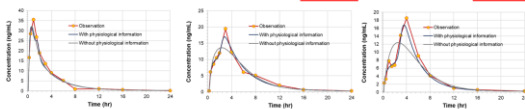
$$F_{abs} = 1 - \frac{\text{Time}^Y}{T_{50}^Y + \text{Time}^Y}$$

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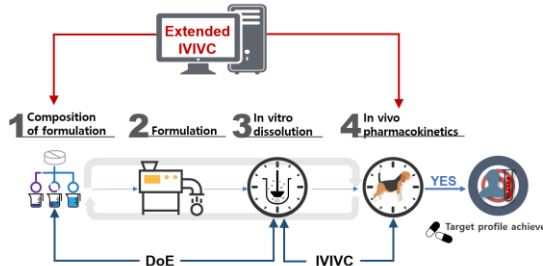
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Model	Formulation	C <sub>max</sub>			AUC <sub>0-24h</sub>		
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	ER-C	12.06	9.32	22.7	78.07	82.72	6.0
Model 2 (pH dependent dissolution)	ER-A	29.82	25.16	15.6	96.95	84.17	13.2
	ER-B	17.17	16.29	5.1	89.35	86.38	3.3
	ER-C	12.06	13.85	14.8	78.07	84.07	7.7
Model 3 (pH dependent dissolution, site-dependent absorption)	ER-A	29.82	27.95	6.3	96.95	88.86	8.3
	ER-B	17.17	17.32	0.9	89.35	83.56	6.5
	ER-C	12.06	12.66	4.9	78.07	75.14	3.8



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