



# IVPT Studies with Topical and Transdermal Products

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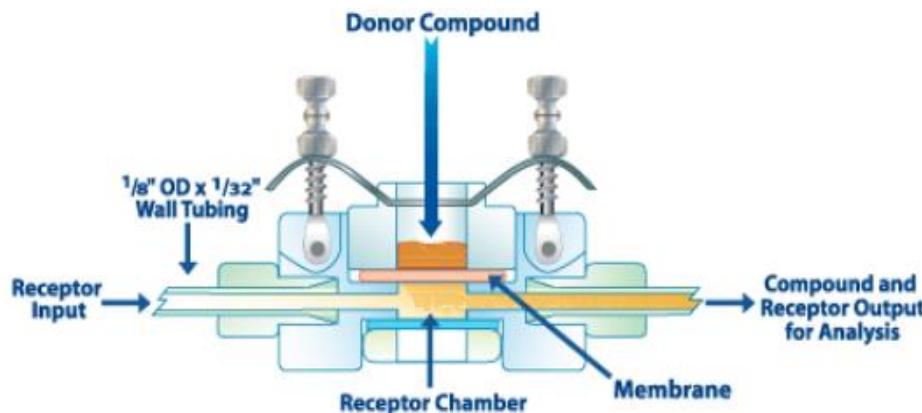
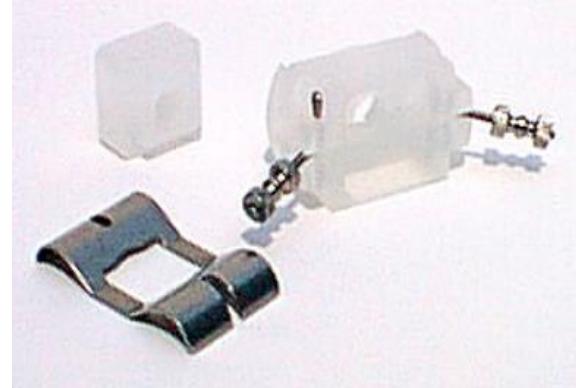
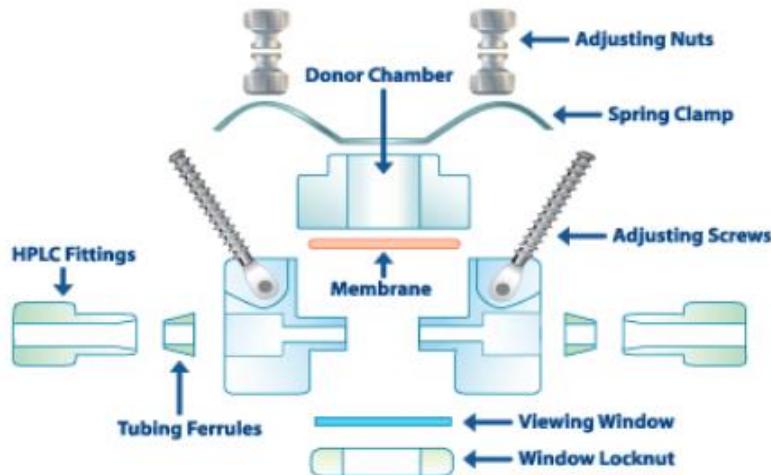
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## In-Line Diffusion Cells



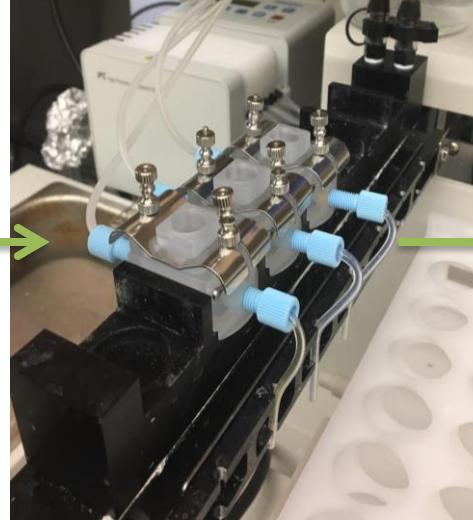


# IVPT (In vitro permeation test)

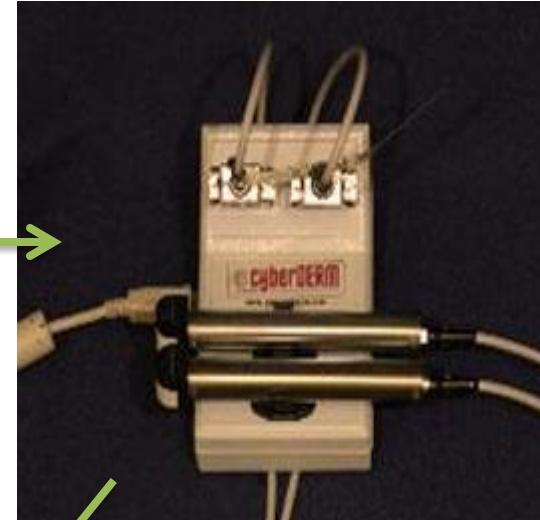
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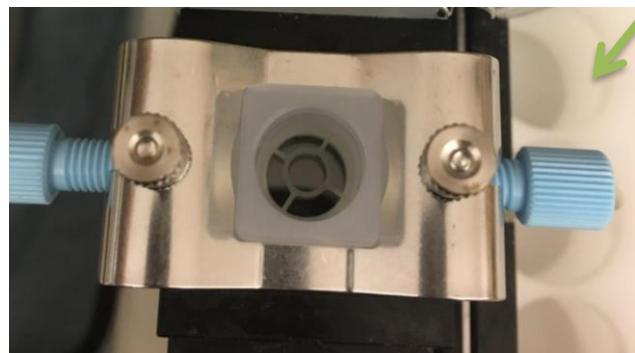
2. Assemble setup



3. Record TEWL



4. Dose Product



Positive displacement  
pipette

Inverted HPLC vial

# IVIVC: *In Vitro In Vivo Correlation*

## Value of IVIVC

- Facilitate testing of drug candidates and optimization of formulation
- Assist in quality control
- Serve as a surrogate for bioequivalence studies, scale-up and post-approval changes

→ Minimize/Reduce in vivo clinical studies

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→ However, if no full IVIVC for the product/API

**Discriminating IVPT studies done with  
standardized methods in human skin may also be  
surrogates for some bioequivalence studies, scale-  
up and post-approval changes**



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## Heat Exposure from Many Sources

Including the Sun

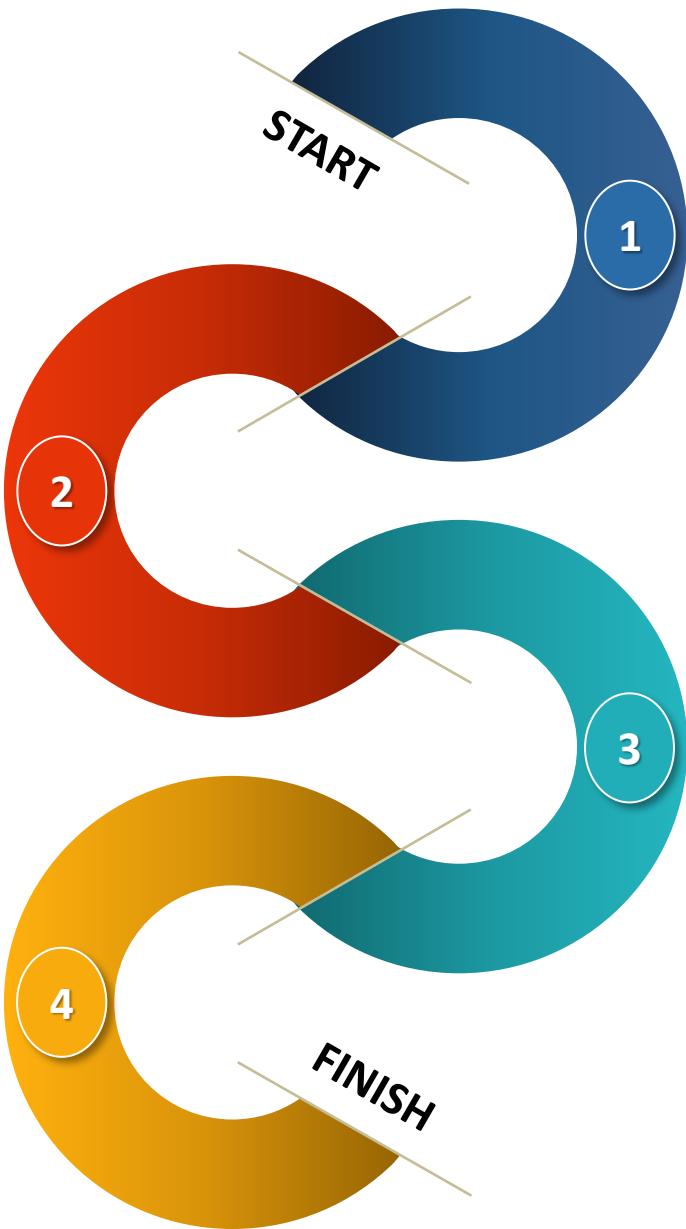


## In Vivo Studies in Humans

Does the drug show increased permeation in vivo?

## Explore IVIVC

Can in vitro data be used to predict in vivo results under the influence of heat?



## Exploratory IVPT Studies

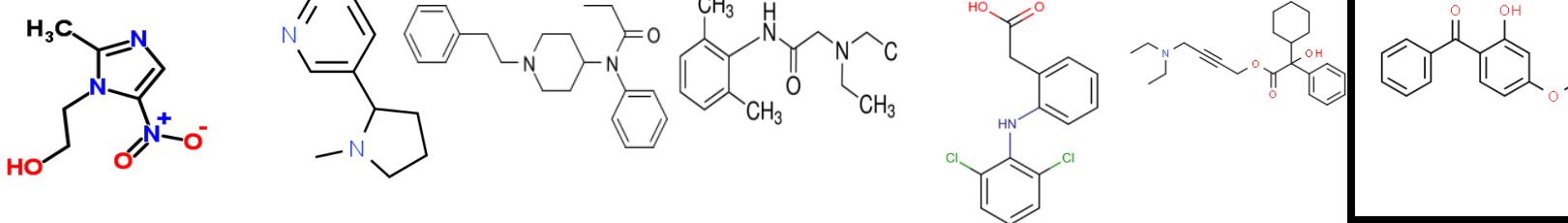
Does the drug show increased permeation in vitro?

## Pivotal IVPT Studies

Is the effect of heat similar in vitro and in vivo under harmonized study conditions?

# Compound Properties

	Metronidazole	Nicotine	Fentanyl	Lidocaine	Diclofenac	Oxybutynin	Oxybenzone
Molecular wt (g/mol)	171.15	162.23	336.50	234.34	296.10	357.50	228.24
Water solubility (mg/L)	11,000 (@ 25°C)	$1 \times 10^6$ (@ 25°C) [miscible]	200 (@ 25°C)	410 (@ 30°C)	2.37 (@ 25°C)	50 (@ 25°C)	3.7 (@ 25°C)
LogP	-0.02	1.17	4.05	2.44	4.51	4.30	3.79
pKa	2.57, 15.42	8.50	8.99	8.01	4.15	8.04	7.60

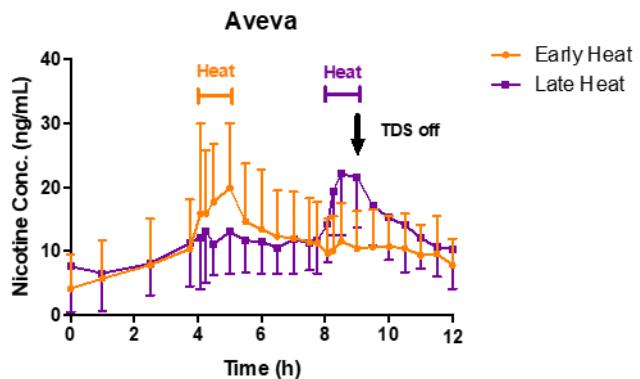
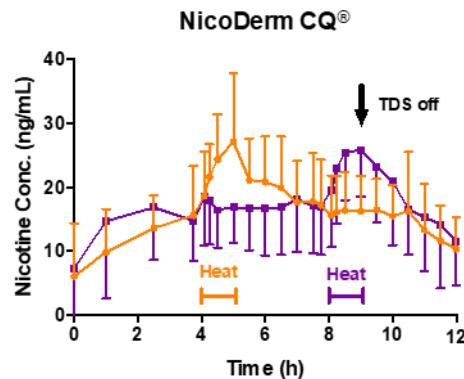


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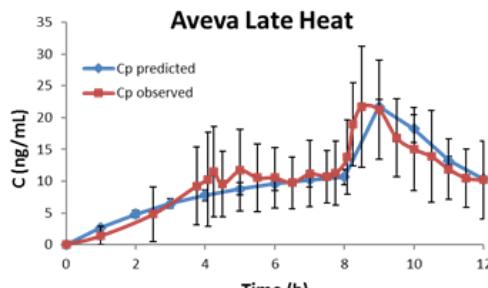
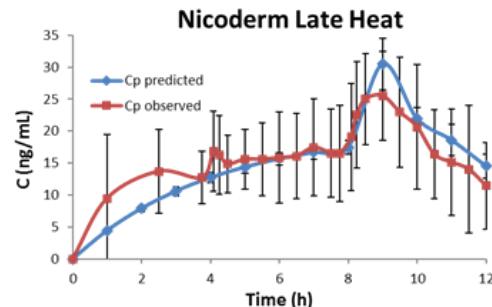
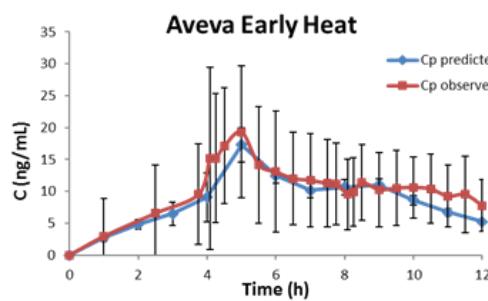
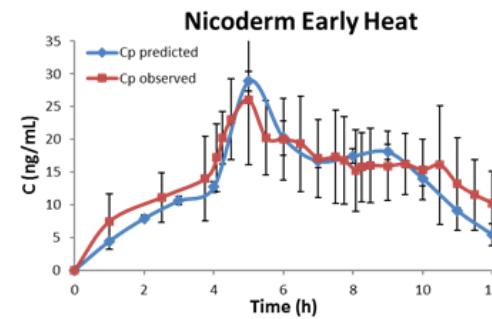
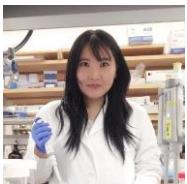
# Strong IVIVC observed for nicotine TDS, including heat effects

Humans

Mean  $\pm$  SD  
n=10 volunteers



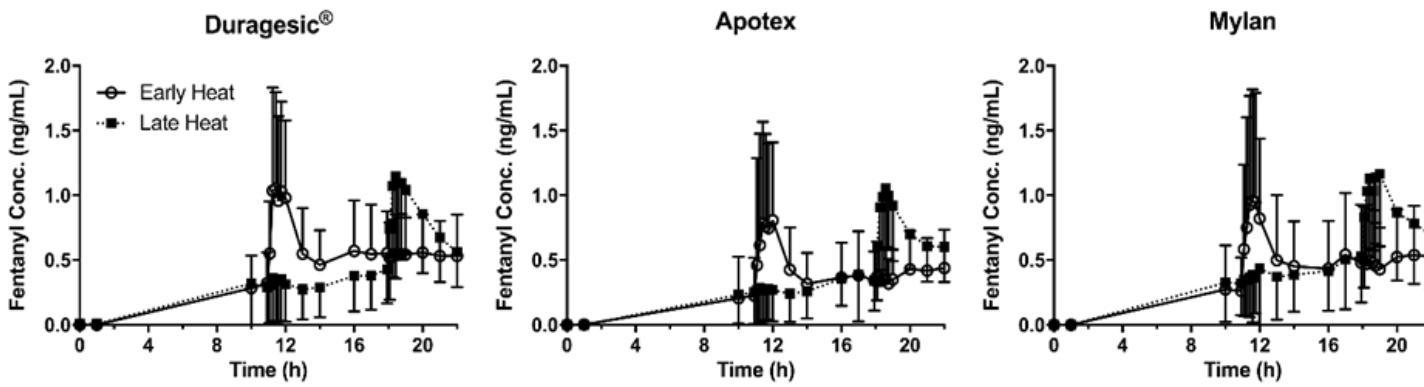
Predicted  
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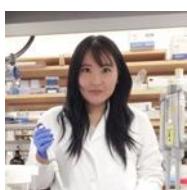
# Weaker IVIVC observed for fentanyl TDS

Humans →

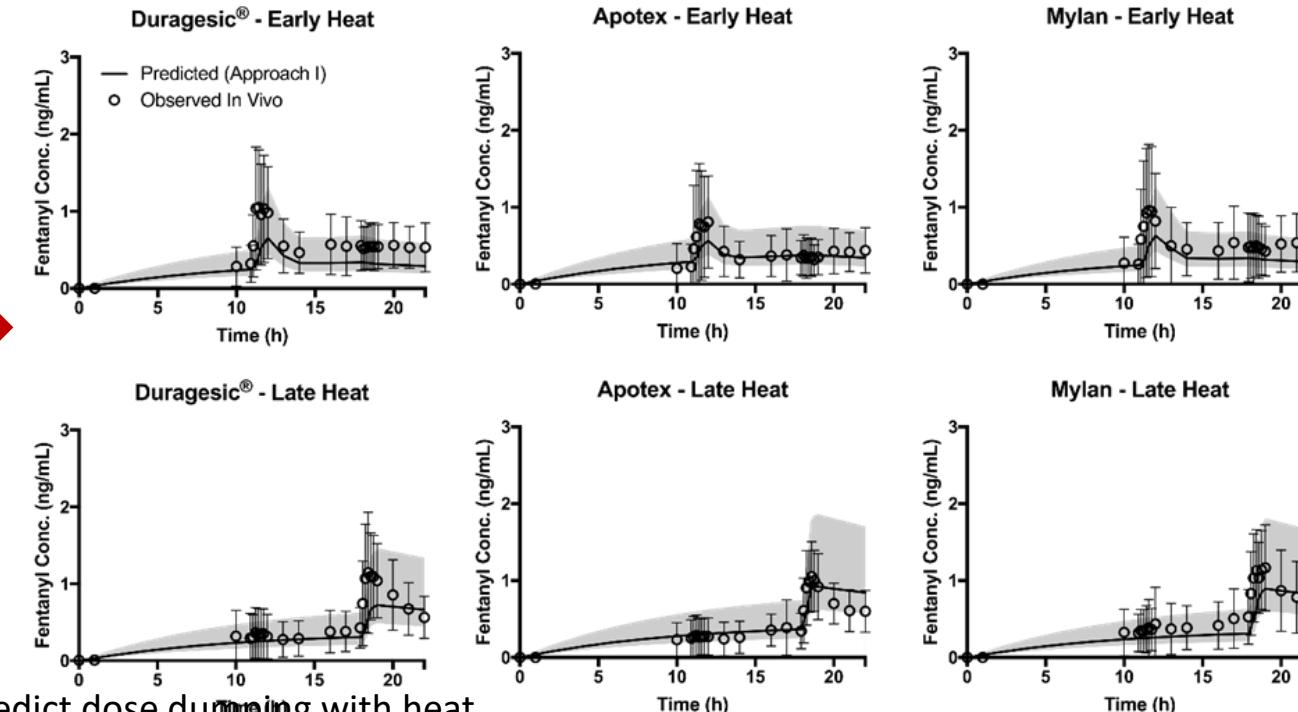
Mean ± SD  
n=10 volunteers



Predicted from IVPT →

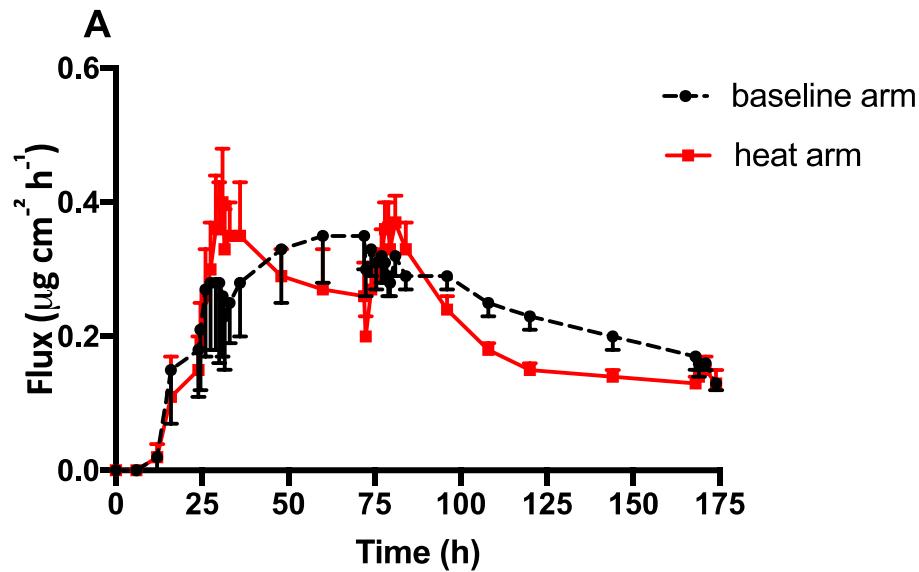


- Can still predict dose dumping with heat
- Soo Hyeon Shin, Mingming Yu, Dana C. Hammell, Priyanka Ghosh, Sam G. Raney, Hazem E. Hassan, Audra L. Stinchcomb. J. Cont. Release (under review) 2021



# IVPT and PK Data for BuTrans®

*In vitro*

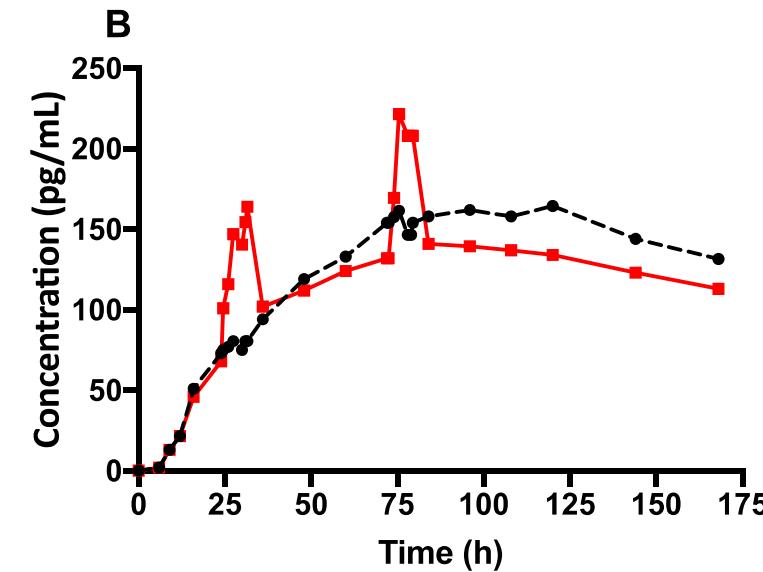


Flux profile for Butrans® (mean  $\pm$  SEM) (n=4 human skin donor, 4 replicates/donor) from IVPT data.



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*In vivo*



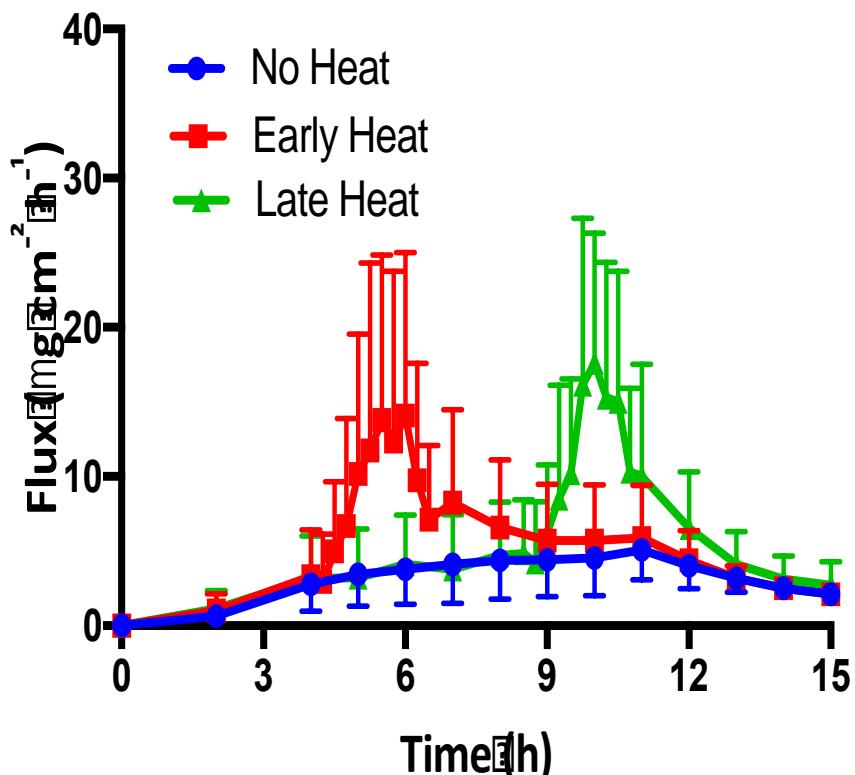
*Clinical Pharmacology and Biopharmaceutics Review* document for BUTRANS® available at Drugs@FDA

# IVPT Data for Lidocaine



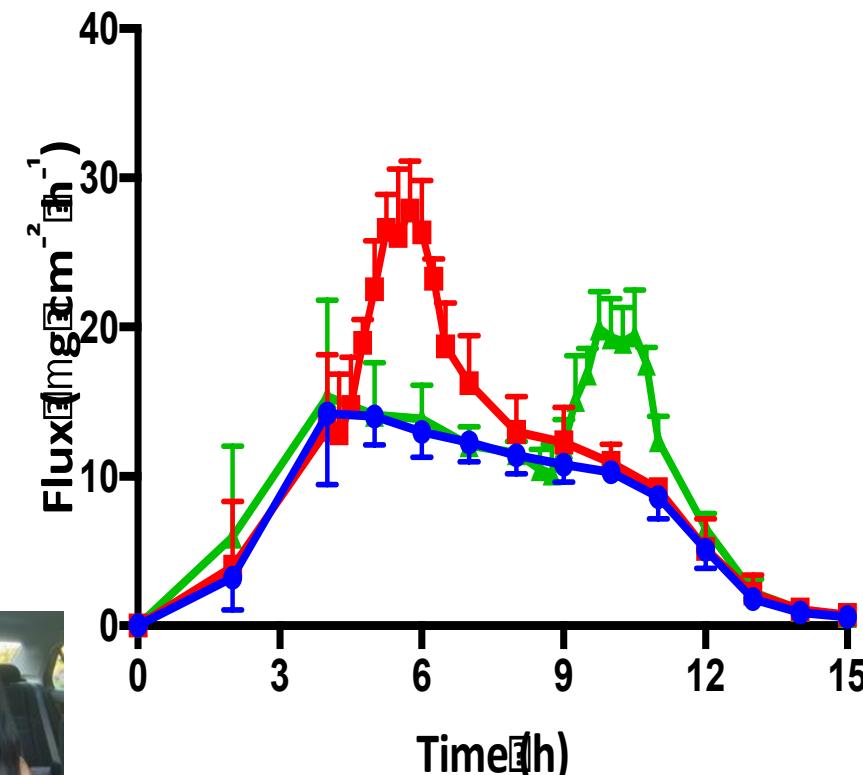
RLD--hydrogel

Product A (n=5)



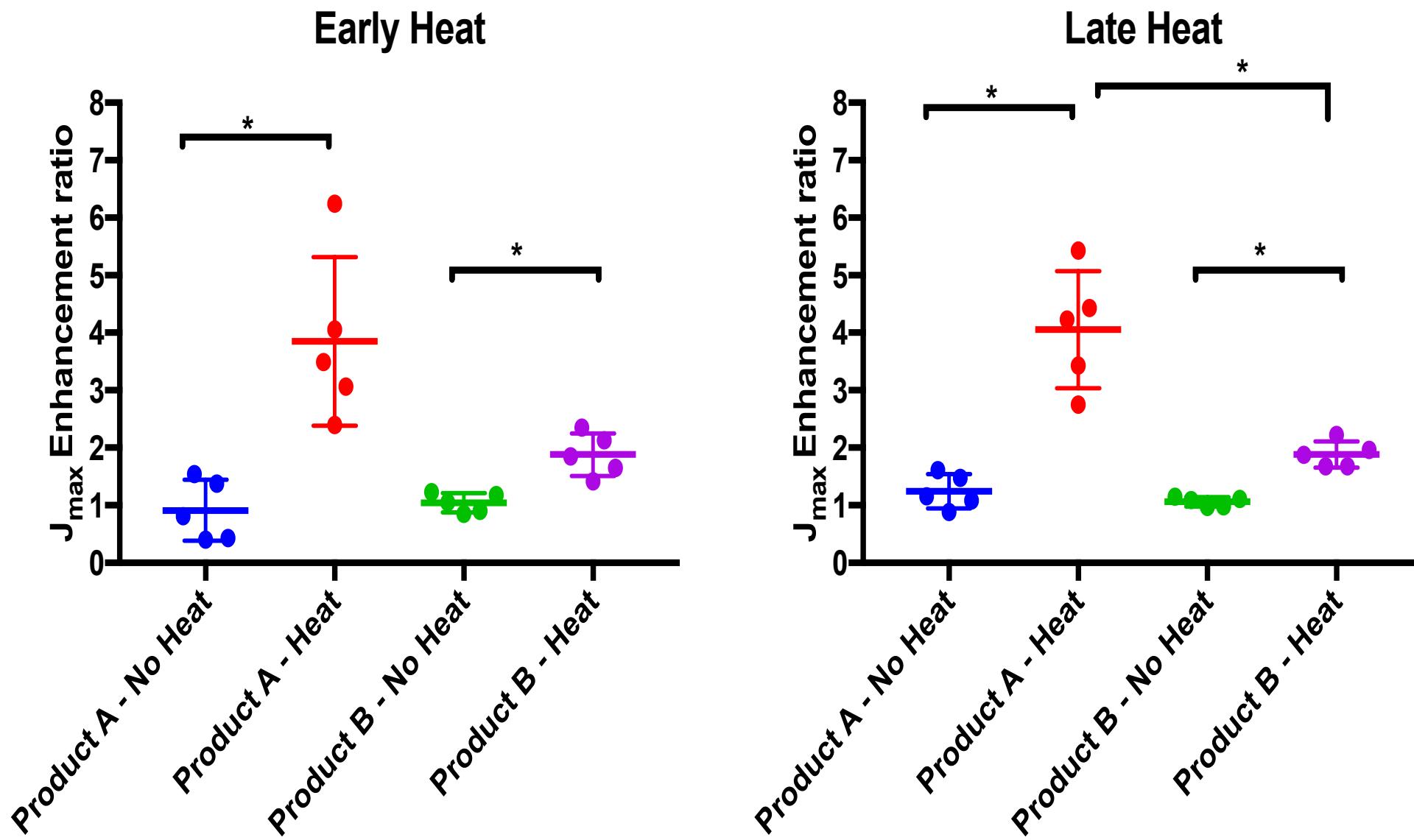
Generic--PIB

Product B (n=5)



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# IVPT Data for Lidocaine





# Diclofenac Products

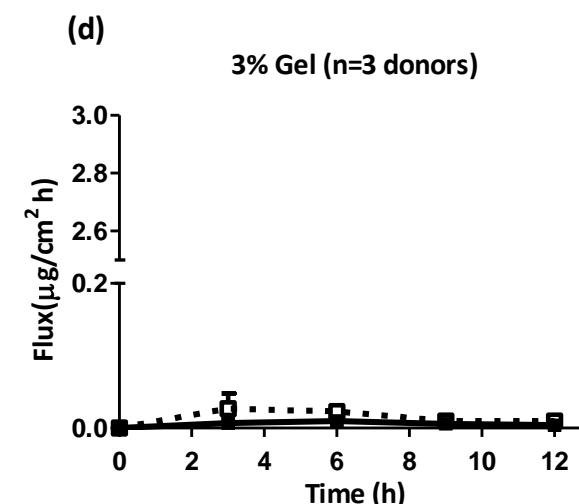
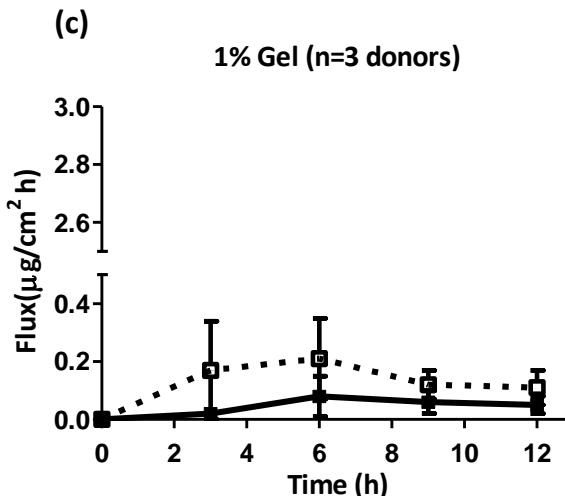
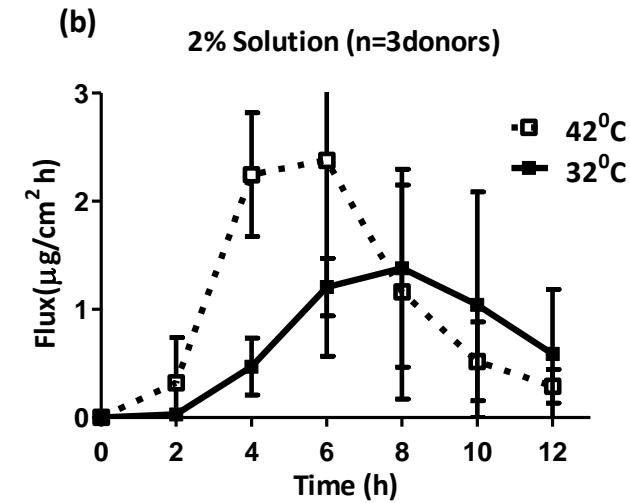
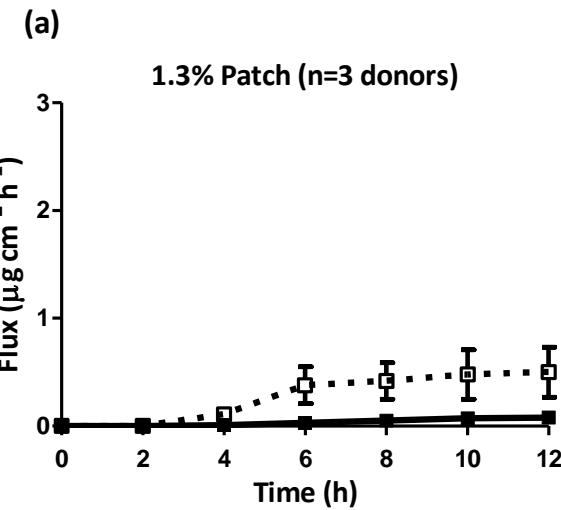
	<b>1.3 % Patch</b>	<b>2% Solution</b>	<b>1% Gel</b>	<b>3% Gel</b>
Inactive ingredients	Adhesive in aqueous base containing sodium polyacrylate, sodium carboxymethylcellulose	DMSO, ethanol, purified water, propylene glycol, hydroxypropyl cellulose	Carbomer homopolymer Type C, cocoyl caprylcaprate, fragrance, isopropyl alcohol, mineral oil, polyoxyl 20 cetostearyl ether, propylene glycol, purified water, strong ammonia solution	Hyaluronate sodium, benzyl alcohol, polyethylene glycol monomethyl ether, purified water
Dose applied  (Equivalent amount of diclofenac)	-  (878 mg/cm <sup>2</sup> )	5 mg/cm <sup>2</sup>  (approx. 100 µg/cm <sup>2</sup> )	10 mg/cm <sup>2</sup>  (approx. 100 µg/cm <sup>2</sup> )	20 mg/cm <sup>2</sup>  (approx. 300 µg/cm <sup>2</sup> )

S. Thomas, S.H. Shin, D.C. Hammell, H.E. Hassan, A.L. Stinchcomb, Effect of controlled heat application on topical diclofenac formulations evaluated by in vitro permeation tests (IVPT) using porcine and human skin, Pharm. Res., 37 (2020) 49.





## Diclofenac Product IVPT Results on Human Skin— Continuous Heat





# Tested Metronidazole Products

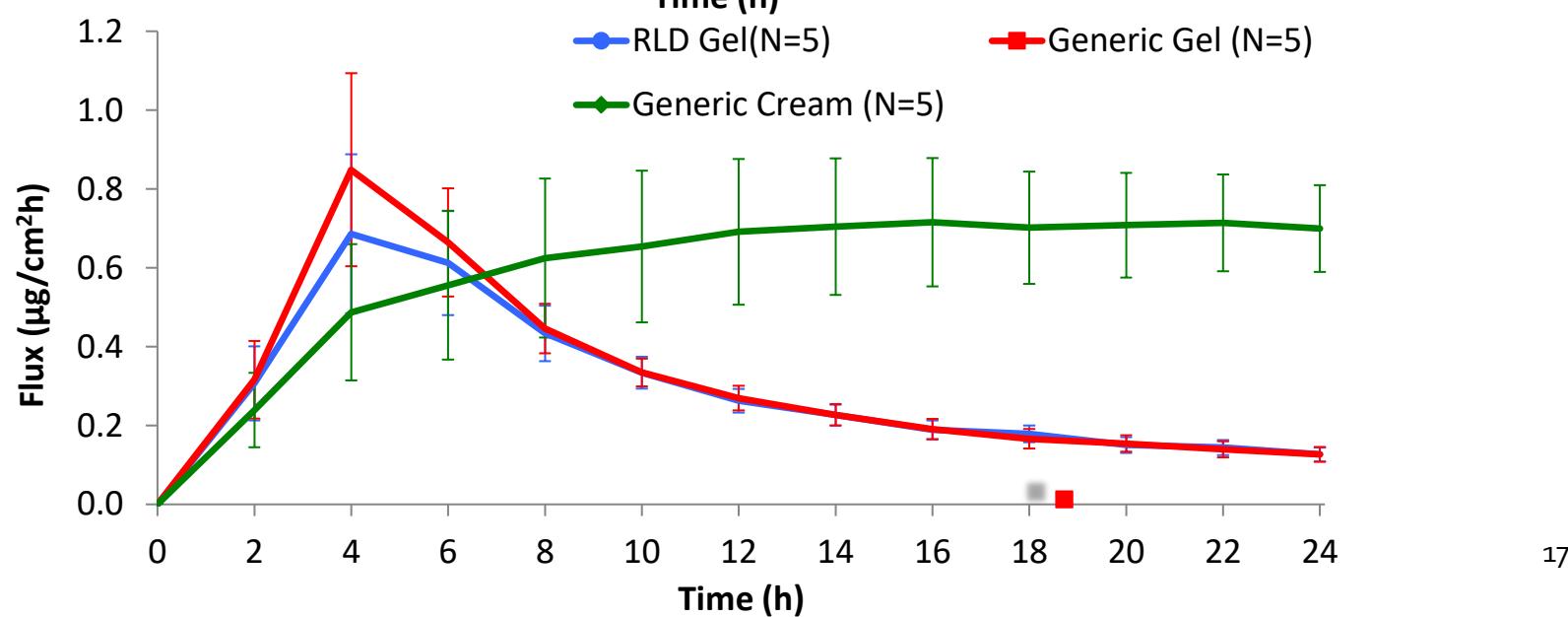
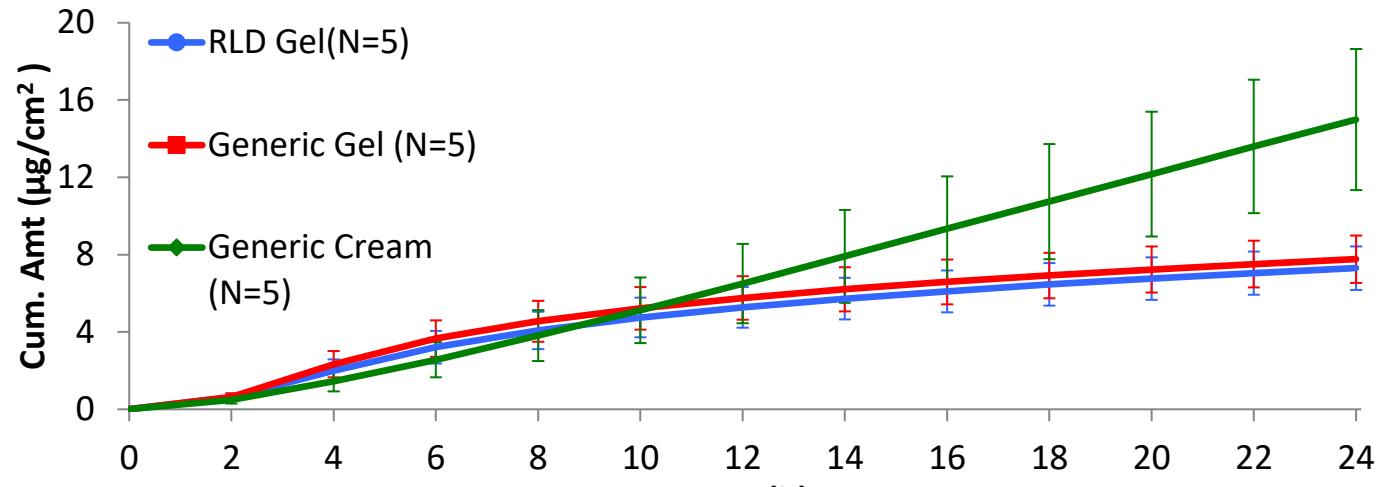
	Metronidazole gel, 0.75% (RLD) NDC: 66993-962-45	Metronidazole gel, 0.75% (generic) NDC: 0115-1474-46	Metronidazole cream, 0.75% (generic) NDC: 0168-0323-46
Inactive ingredients	0.8 mg of methylparaben and 0.2 mg of propylparaben as preservatives in a gel consisting of carbomer 940, edetate disodium, propylene glycol, purified water and sodium hydroxide	Carbopol 980, edetate disodium, methylparaben, propylene glycol, propylparaben, purified water and sodium hydroxide	Emulsifying wax, sorbitol solution, glycerin, isopropyl palmitate, benzyl alcohol, lactic acid, sodium hydroxide and purified water
Formulation	topical gel	topical gel	topical cream
Manufacturer	Prasco Laboratories	Tolmar Inc	Fougera Laboratories
Distributor		Impax Generics	

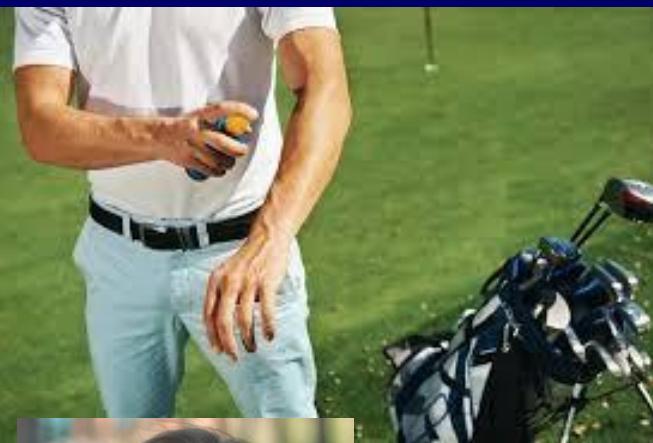


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# Metronidazole

Formulation comparison (IVPT Human skin, Mean  $\pm$  SEM; N=5 donors)





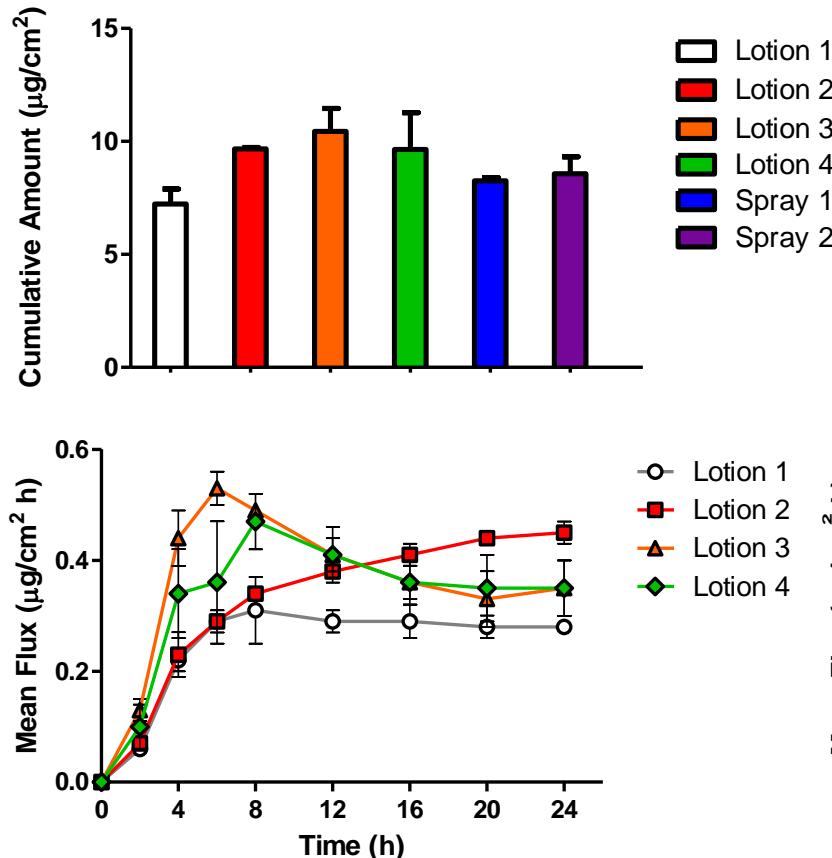
# Sunscreen Products



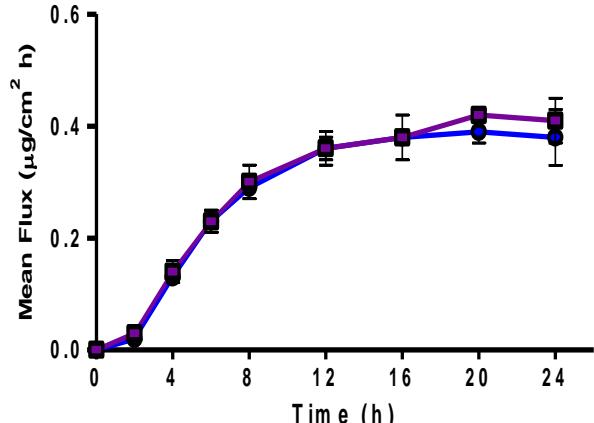
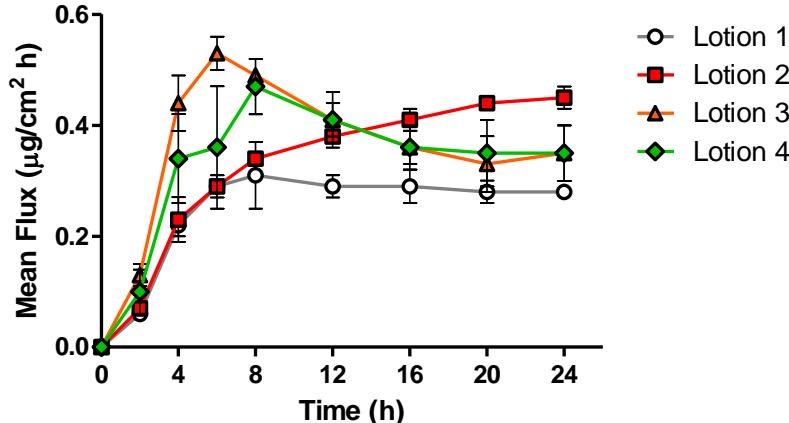
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# Product Comparison with Single Application



Formulation	$J_{\max}$	Cum. Amt.
Lotion 1	8 h	7.23 ± 0.66
Lotion 2	24 h	9.67 ± 0.06
Lotion 3	6 h	10.45 ± 1.01
Lotion 4	8 h	9.64 ± 1.63
Spray 1	20 h	8.25 ± 0.14
Spray 2	20 h	8.57 ± 0.74



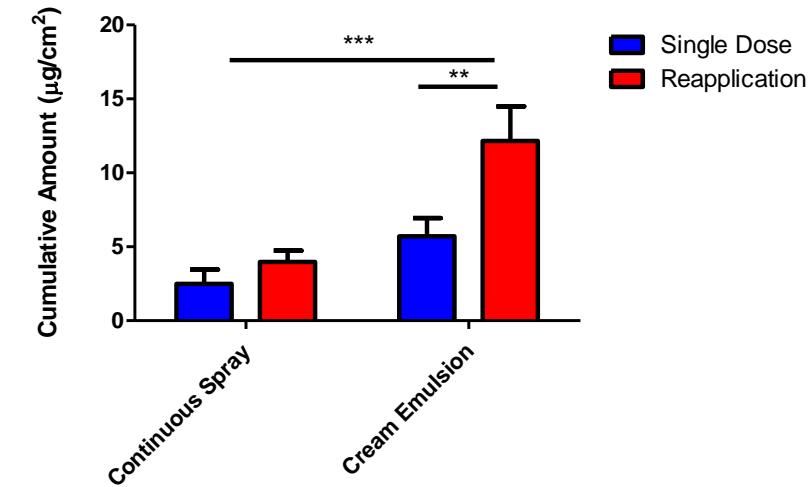
Mean ± SD, 1 donor, 3 replicates per product

- Highest cumulative permeation and  $J_{\max}$  from Lotion 3
- Sprays and lotions follow different flux patterns

# Multiple Dosing

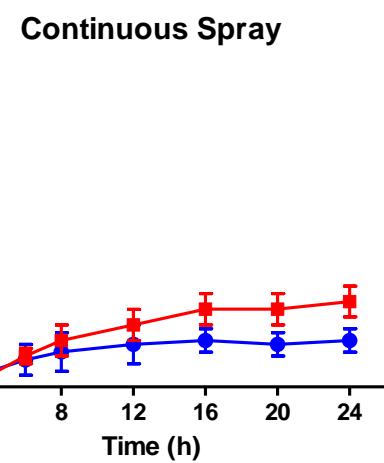
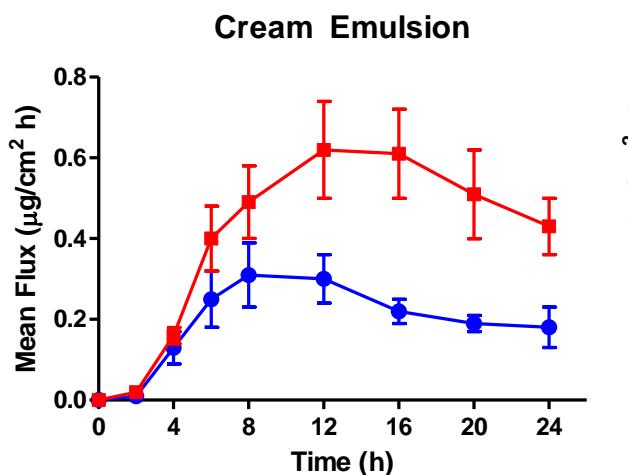
- Oxybenzone permeation with multi-application use of sunscreens on
  - 1) in vitro permeation of oxybenzone across excised human skin
  - 2) design an in vivo study, under harmonized conditions, to evaluate the pharmacokinetics of oxybenzone absorption in healthy human volunteers for four sunscreen products each containing 6% oxybenzone

Dose 0, 80, 160 min consistent with product labeling



Formulation	Reapplication Enhancement Ratio (Reapplication /Single dose)		${}^*p$ value (Reapplication vs No Reapplication)	
	$J_{\max}$	Cum. Amt.	$J_{\max}$	Cum. Amt.
Cream Emulsion	2.00	2.13	* 0.017	* 0.013
Continuous Spray	1.83	1.60	* 0.031	0.100

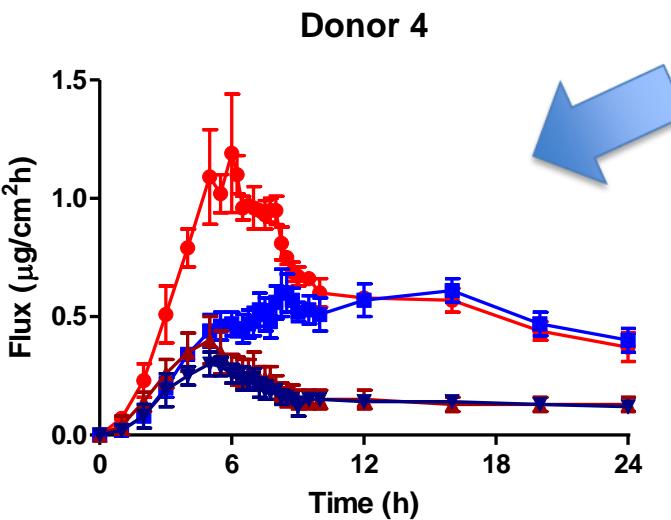
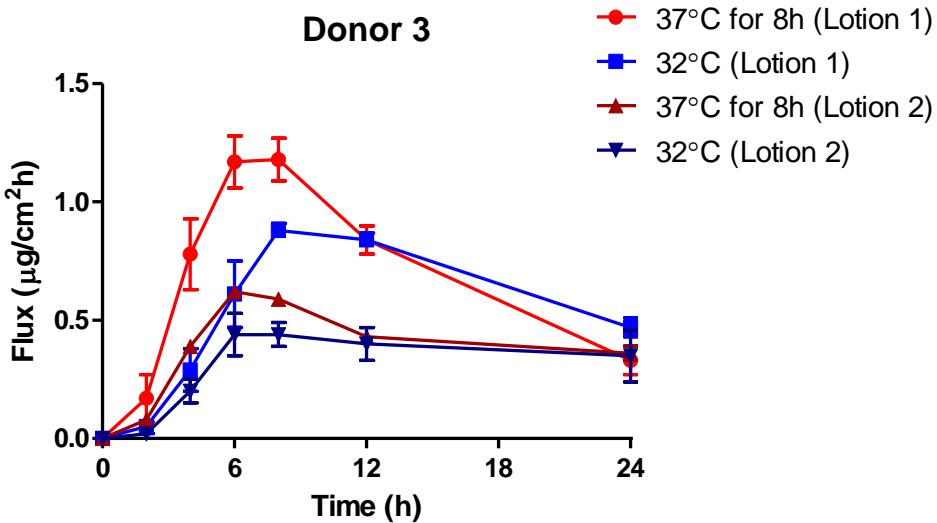
${}^*p$  values were obtained from unpaired t test



Mean  $\pm$  SD, 1 donor, 3 replicates

- Shift in  $T_{\max}$  from 8 h for single application to 12 h with reapplication
- No shift in  $T_{\max}$  for spray formulation
- Reapplication statistically increased cumulative oxybenzone for cream emulsion formulation
- Formulations are statistically different from each other in cumulative permeation

# Flux profile comparison of Lotion 1 vs Lotion 2 for two human skin donors (mean $\pm$ SD) 8 h heat



Must have sufficient  
time points to capture  
 $J_{max}$

# Sunscreen Selection

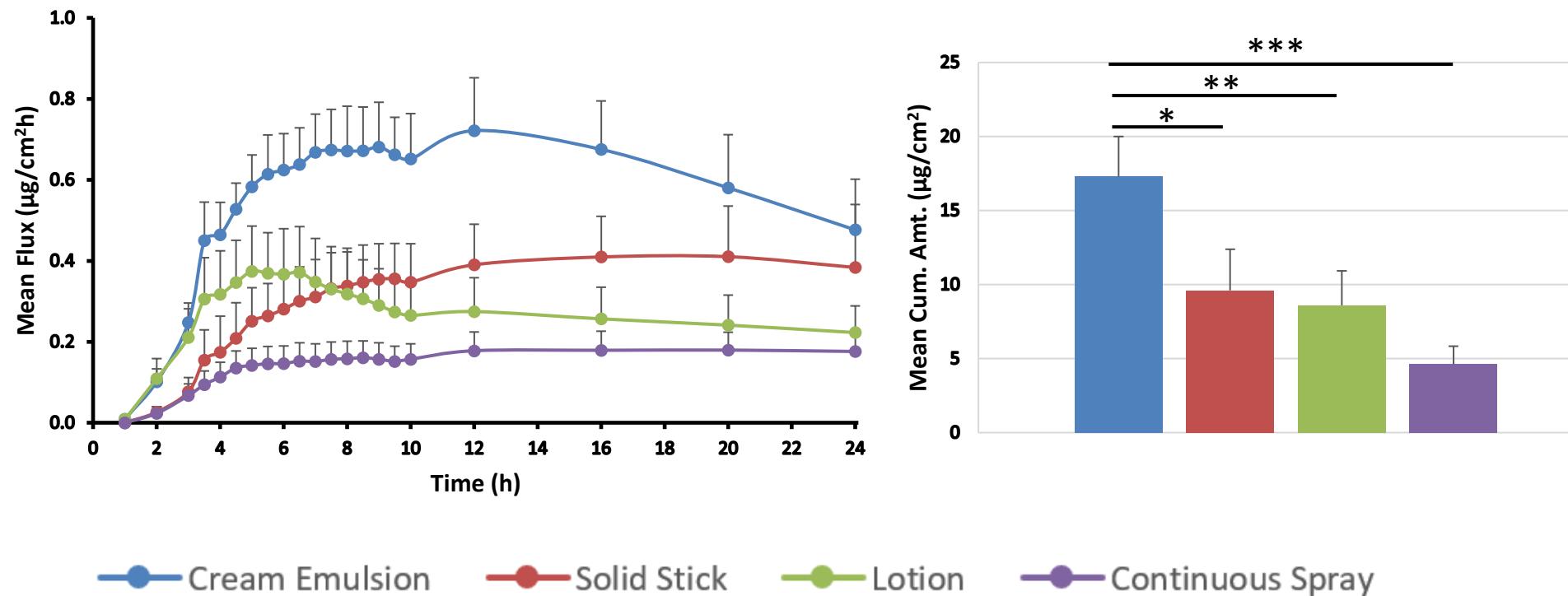


	Cream Emulsion	Solid Stick	Lotion	Continuous Spray
Active Ingredients	<b>Oxybenzone</b> 6% Avobenzene 3% Homosalate 15% Octisalate 5% Octocrylene 10%	<b>Oxybenzone</b> 6% Avobenzene 3% Homosalate 15% Octisalate 5% Octocrylene 10%	<b>Oxybenzone</b> 6% Avobenzene 3% Homosalate 15% Octisalate 5% Octocrylene 10%	<b>Oxybenzone</b> 6% Avobenzene 3% Homosalate 10% Octisalate 5% Octocrylene 10%
Inactive Ingredients	Water, butylene glycol, microcrystalline cellulose, glyceryl stearate, behenyl alcohol, benzyl alcohol, diethylhexyl syringylidenemalonate, tocopherol (vitamin E), retinyl palmitate (vitamin A), sodium ascorbyl phosphate, stearic acid, palmitic acid, lauryl alcohol, myristyl alcohol, cetyl alcohol, lecithin, caprylic/capric triglyceride, chlorphenesin, cellulose gum, butylated PVP, disodium EDTA	Ozokerite, caprylic/capric triglyceride, C12-15 alkyl benzoate, lauryl laurate, behenyl alcohol, bis-PEG-12 dimethicone beeswax, isopropyl myristate, C20-40 alkyl stearate, synthetic beeswax, tocopherol (vitamin E), polyethylene, sorbitan oleate, VP/hexadecene copolymer, aloe barbadensis leaf extract, stearoxy dimethicone, helianthus annuus (sunflower) seed oil	Water, styrene/acrylates copolymer, silica, beeswax, cyclopentasiloxane, ethylhexylglycerin, glyceryl stearate, PEG-100 stearate, acrylates/dimethicone copolymer, acrylates/c10-30 alkyl acrylate crosspolymer, chlorphenesin, disodium EDTA, triethanolamine, dipotassium glycyrhizate, BHT, methylisothiazolinone, diethylhexyl 2,6-naphthalate, fragrance	Alcohol denatured, isobutane, acrylates/octylacrylamide copolymer, diethylhexyl syringylidenemalonate, caprylic/capric triglyceride, caprylyl glycol, tocopheryl acetate, mineral oil, aloe barbadensis leaf extract, fragrance

# Pivotal IVPT on *Ex Vivo* Human Skin

Application at 0, 80, and 160 min

Skin temperature at 32°C



(\*  $p < 0.05$ ; \*\*  $p < 0.01$ ; \*\*\*  $p < 0.001$ )  
Mean  $\pm$  SD, 4 donors, 3 replicates per donor

# Human Pharmacokinetic (miniMUsT) Study

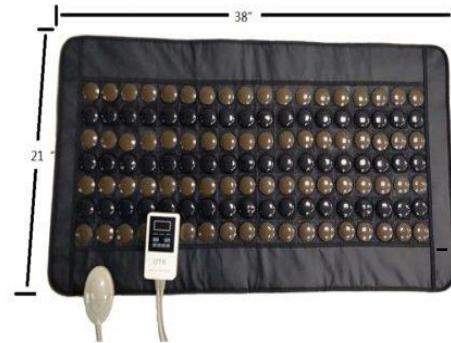
- 12 h open-label, randomized, four-way crossover pharmacokinetic study in healthy human volunteers with minimum one week washout period between sessions
- Controlled skin temperature of 30-34°C and RH 35-55%
- Serum samples analyzed for oxybenzone using a validated LC-MS/MS method
- 2 mg/cm<sup>2</sup> application → 800 cm<sup>2</sup> applied 3 times per session

Temp 30-34°C (86-93.2°F) Humidity 45% RH													
(0, 80 and 160 min) Sunscreen Application													
Procedure Day (hour)	zero	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Sampling time points	predosing	2:00	3:00	3:30	4:30	5:30	6:30	7:30	8:30	9:30	10:00	12:00	
18 total				4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00				

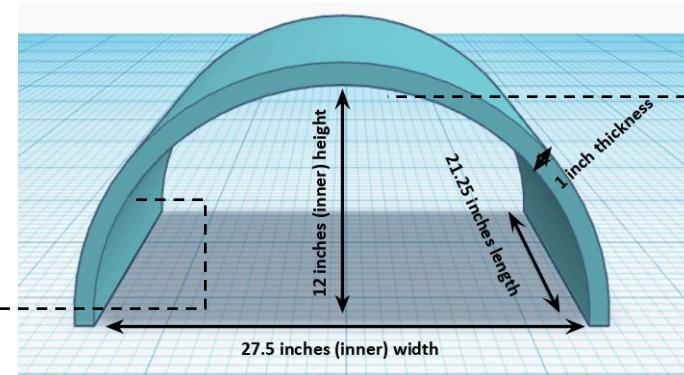


# Development of Environmental Control Chamber

IR Heating Pad



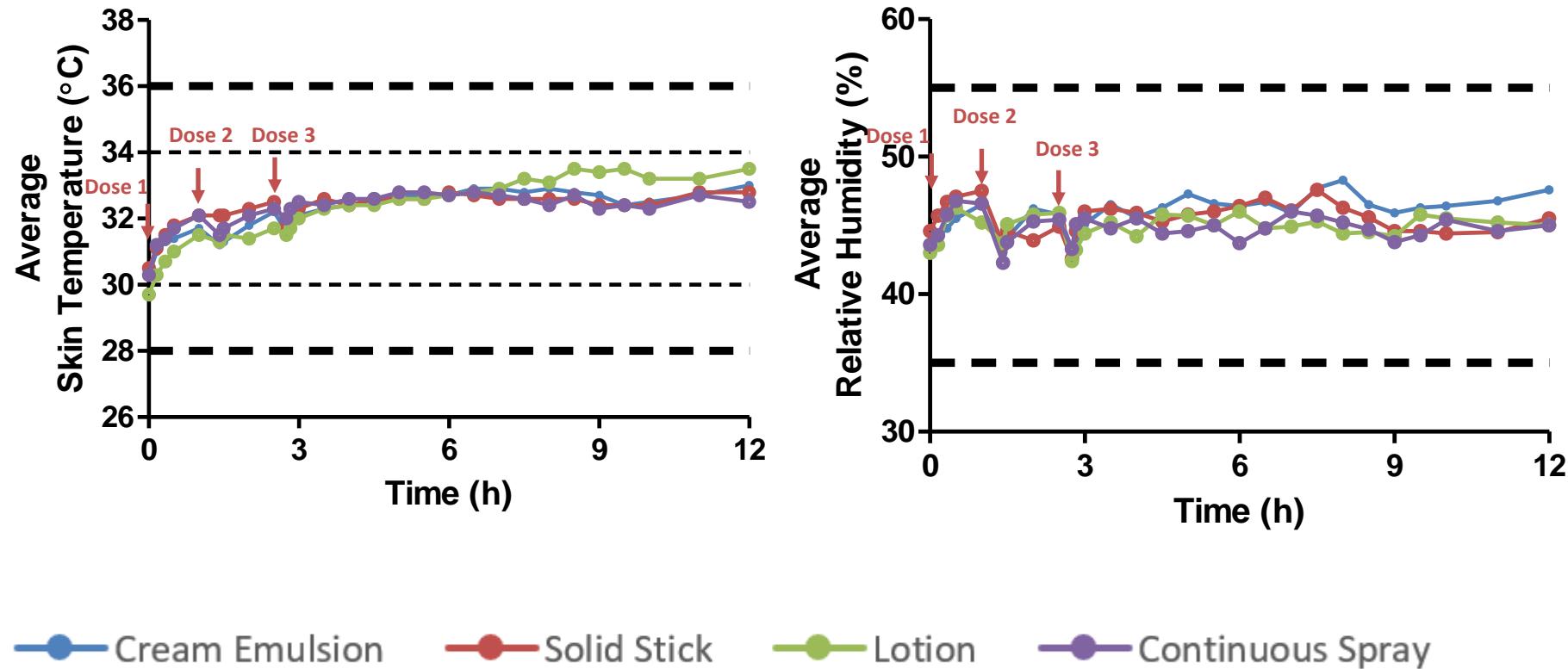
3D Printed Dome



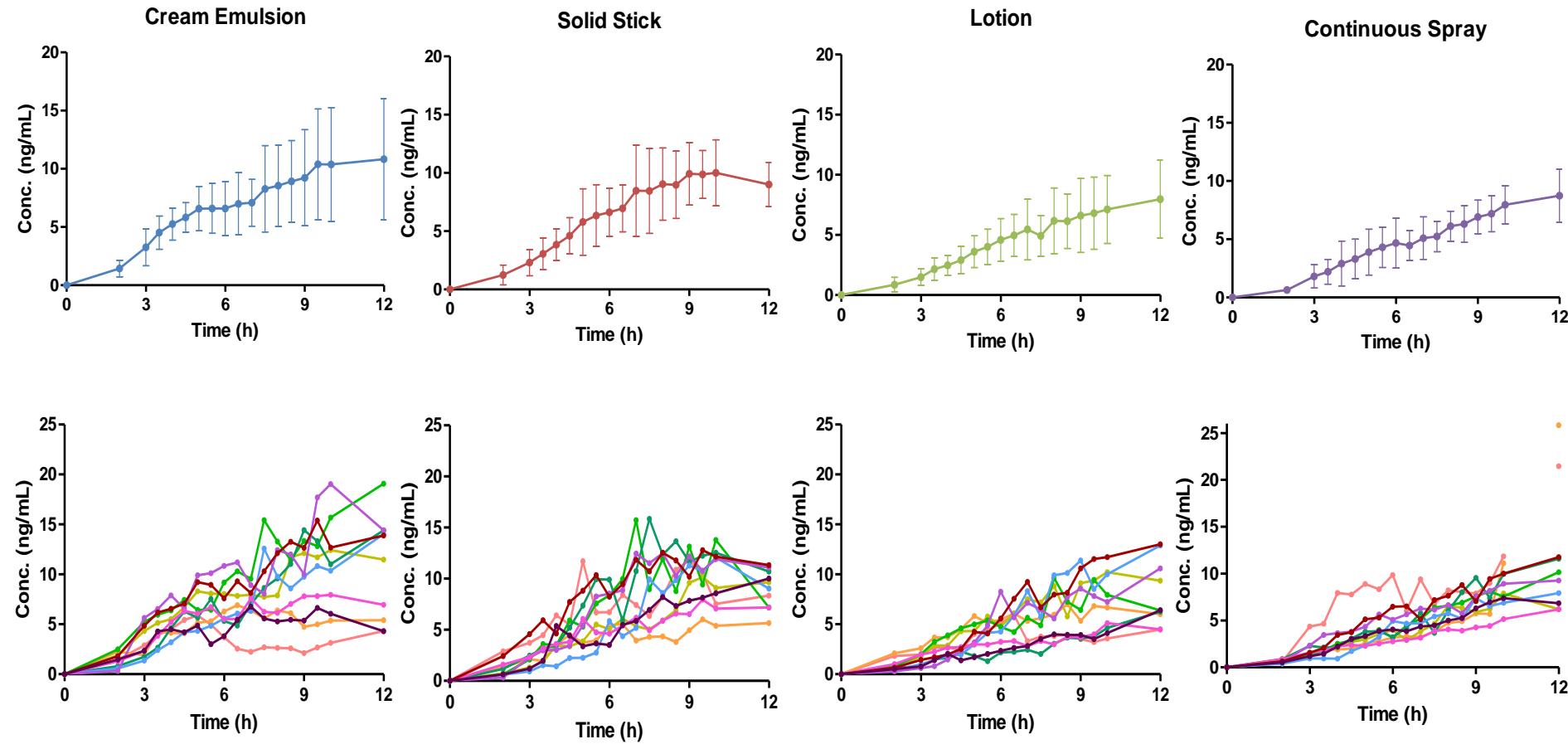
Ultrasonic Humidifier



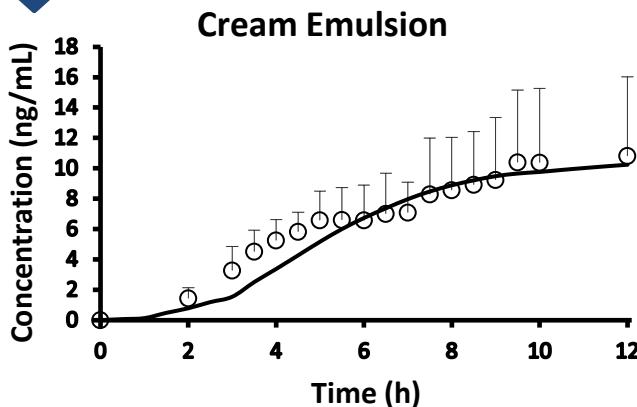
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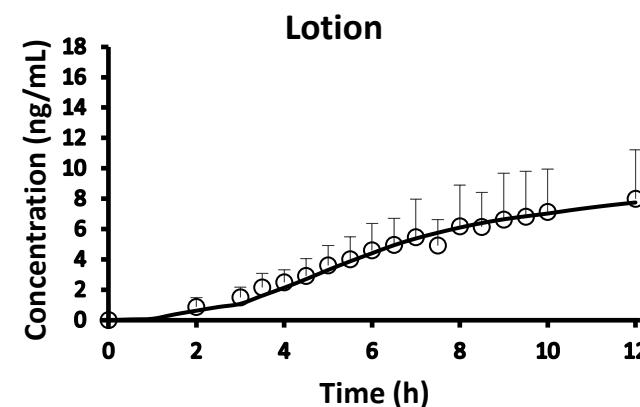
# *In Vivo* Results (N=10 Volunteers; Mean $\pm$ SD)



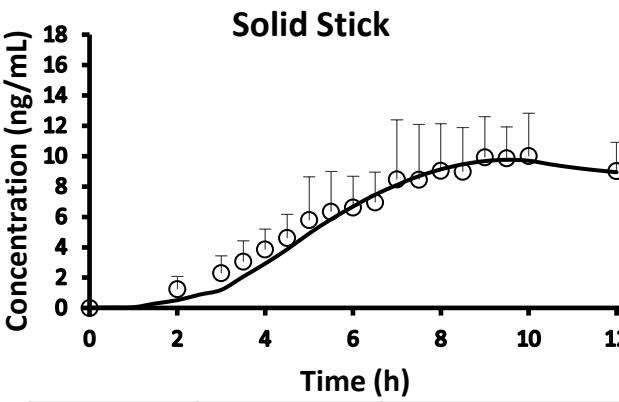
# Level A IVIVC – UMB Study



	$C_{max}$ (ng/mL)	$AUC_{0-12h}$ (ng*h/mL)
Observed	10.82	75.79
Predicted	10.25	69.19
%PE	5.27	8.71

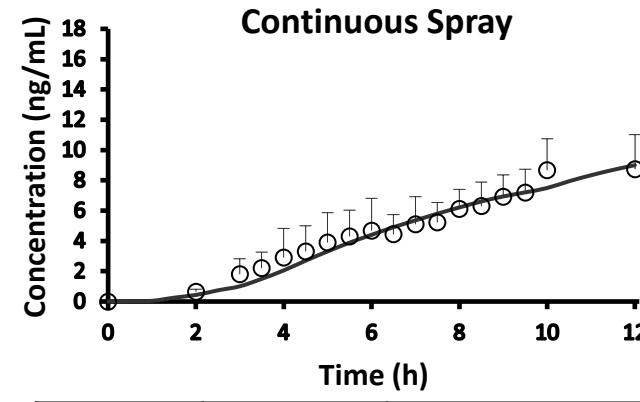


	$C_{max}$ (ng/mL)	$AUC_{0-12h}$ (ng*h/mL)
Observed	7.98	49.71
Predicted	7.75	48.18
%PE	2.88	3.08



	$C_{max}$ (ng/mL)	$AUC_{0-12h}$ (ng*h/mL)
Observed	8.74	53.2
Predicted	9.01	50.19
%PE	-3.09	5.66

○ Observed Conc.  
— Predicted Conc.



	$C_{max}$ (ng/mL)	$AUC_{0-12h}$ (ng*h/mL)
Observed	10.01	71.07
Predicted	9.76	66.69
%PE	2.50	6.16



- IVIVC: In Vitro In Vivo Correlation may be the ultimate goal
  - Facilitate testing of drug candidates and optimization of formulation
  - Assist in quality control
  - Serve as a surrogate for bioequivalence studies, scale-up and post-approval changes
- No full IVIVC for the product/API
  - Discriminating IVPT studies done with standardized methods in human skin may also be surrogates for some types of bioequivalence studies, scale-up and post-approval changes

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