

# DDI PREDICTIONS WITH PBPK MODELLING AND OPTIMAL SAMPLING TIME DESIGN

## Comparison of univariate/multivariate designs using POPDES Analysis of real data with optimal sparse and empirical full designs

### Application example : SX and MDZ

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## Context



- A Drug-Drug Interaction (DDI) study was planned to evaluate the potential inhibitory effect of a phase I Servier compound (called SX) on a reference CYP3A4 substrate, Midazolam (MDZ).
- PBPK models allow to simulate SX & MDZ PK profiles when administered separately but also together (DDI) from *in vitro* parameters.
- Multiresponse design in PopDes allows to estimate joint optimal sampling times for 2 drugs.

## Objectives

- ➡ to design the clinical trial without any *in vivo* data using PBPK predictions, population PK modelling and multiresponse optimal design.
- To compare designs obtained by uniresponse & multiresponse designs.
  - To compare *in vivo* results obtained by POP PK analyses using either the optimal sparse design (MD) or the empirical full design (FD).
  - To evaluate the interaction of SX on MDZ in the *in vivo* study.



- I.1- Simulation of the DDI using PBPK models.
- I.2- Development of population PK models using simulated data.
- I.3- Optimisation of sampling times.
- I.4- Comparison of univariate/multivariate designs by simulations.
- I.5- Population PK analyses of *in vivo* results using MD and FD.
- I.6- Statistical analysis of the interaction.

I.1 to I.4 → **M. Chenel, F. Bouzom, L. Aarons and K. Ogungbenro**. Drug-Drug Interaction Predictions with PBPK models and Optimal Multiresponse Sampling Time Designs: Application to Midazolam and a phase I compound. Part 1: Comparison of uniresponse and multiresponse designs using PopDes. **Submitted to JPP.**

I.5 & I.6 → **M. Chenel, F. Bouzom, F. Cazade, K. Ogungbenro, L. Aarons and F. Mentré**. Drug-Drug Interaction Predictions with PBPK models and Optimal Multiresponse Sampling Time Designs: Application to Midazolam and a phase I compound. Part 2: Analysis of real data. **Submitted to JPP.** 2/23



### I.1- Simulation of the DDI using PBPK models

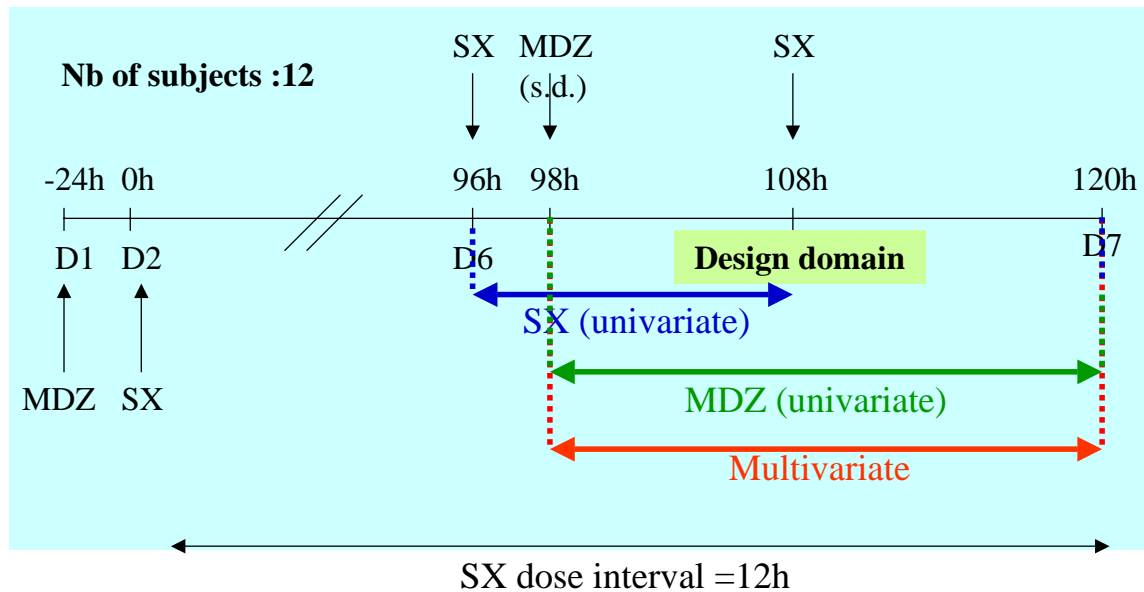
### I.2- Development of population PK models using simulated data

- Datasets: made of PBPK simulations (DV=SX or MDZ concentrations)
- Software: NONMEM version V
- Optimisation method: FOCE INTER
- Criteria: LRT (+ goodness of fit, CVSE)
- Validation: Visual Predictive Check (1000 simulations + graphs)

[P5-P95 & median of simulations/observations]&[P5-P95 & median of medians of simulations/observations]



## I.3- Optimisation of sampling times



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## I.3- Optimisation of sampling times

- Software: PopDes<sup>1</sup> version 2 under MATLAB
- Design options:
  - \* local
  - \* population
  - \* univariate/multivariate
- Optimisation method: Modified Fedorov Exchange<sup>2</sup>
- Criteria: D-Optimality

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## I.4- Comparison of univariate / multivariate designs

- Software:

NONMEM

- Evaluation:

1000 simulations & re-estimations

- Optimisation method:

FOCEI

- Criteria:

\* RMSE

\* RSE given by PopDes / Empirical RSE / mean RSEs given by NONMEM

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## I.5- Population PK analyses of *in vivo* results using MD and FD

- Datasets (12 HV):

Dataset	Drug	Period	Design
1	SX	2	MD
2	SX	2	FD
3	MDZ	1	MD
4	MDZ	1	FD
5	MDZ	2	MD
6	MDZ	2	FD

- Use of the population PK models previously developed

- Software: NONMEM version V / MONOLIX version 2

- Optimisation method: FOCE INTER / SAEM

- Comparison of CL/F obtained with the Multiresponse Optimal Design (MD) and the Full Design (FD) using a Wald's test ( $p < 0.05$ )

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## I.6- Statistical analysis of the interaction: comparison tests

- For each treatment group (MDZ alone or co-administered with SX), determination of individual MDZ AUC and  $C_{max}$  by NCA (FD) and by POP PK (using either MD or FD).
- Student paired tests ( $p < 0.05$ ) applied to compare the  $\log(AUC)$  and  $\log(C_{max})$  between the two treatment groups.

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# II- RESULTS



## II.1- MDZ PBPK predictions

**Table I.** Pharmacokinetic parameters of MDZ calculated by NCA from simulated concentration-time profiles in 100 healthy volunteers after a single oral dose (7.5 mg) of MDZ administered alone or co-administered with SX (90 mg b.i.d. mg for 5 days). In the second case, MDZ was administered the last day of the SX drug administration, 2h after SX drug morning administration.

	Parameter	Minimum	5 <sup>th</sup> percentile	Median	95 <sup>th</sup> percentile	Maximum
MDZ (7.5 mg) alone	$C_{max}$ (ng/mL)	21	29	43	89	143
	$t_{max}$ (h)	0.33	0.33	0.39	0.50	0.53
	AUC (ng.h/mL)	47	66	114	239	455
	$t_{1/2,z}$ (h)	2.1	2.7	4.0	6.1	7.4
MDZ (7.5 mg) with SX	$C_{max}$ (ng/mL)	25	32	52	96	151
	$t_{max}$ (h)	0.33	0.35	0.40	0.53	0.58
	AUC (ng.h/mL)	59	80	140	301	621
	$t_{1/2,z}$ (h)	2.2	2.7	4.0	6.1	7.4
	$R_{I C_{max}}$	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.5
	$R_{I AUC}$	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.7	2.1

In average, no interaction was predicted by the PBPK models.

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### II.2- Population PK modeling using simulated data

\* SX

\* MDZ

-2-compartment model + Ka fixed  
 -IIV on CL/F and V1/F  
 -Correlation between CL/F and V1/F  
 -Combined error model  
 (additive+proportional)

-2-compartment model + k0 (D1)  
 -IIV on CL/F, V1/F, V2/F, Q/F and k0  
 -Correlation between CL/F and V1/F  
 -Combined error model  
 (additive+proportional)

Parameters	Units	Estimate	CVSE	Parameters	SQRT%	CVSE
CL/F	L/H	13	4.2	IIV_CL/F	41	11
V1/F	L	17	1.6	IIV_V1/F	15	13
Q/F	L/H	1.5	1.3	IIV_Q/F	0	-
V2/F	L	71	24	IIV_V2/F	0	-
ka	H <sup>-1</sup>	0.19	FIXED	IIV_ka	0	-
Add	ng/mL	0.2	FIXED	R		Value
Prop	%	2.2	0.8	CL/V1	0.82	0.05

Parameters	Units	Estimate	CVSE	Parameters	SQRT%	CVSE
CL/F	L/H	87	4.8	IIV_CL/F	46	14
V1/F	L	206	3.6	IIV_V1/F	36	15
Q/F	L/H	25	4.4	IIV_Q/F	40	16
V2/F	L	183	6.0	IIV_V2/F	39	28
D1	H <sup>-1</sup>	0.82	0.71	IIV_D1	6.8	35
Add	ng/mL	0.2	fixed	R		Value
Prop	%	0.056	1.0	CL/V1	0.97	0.16

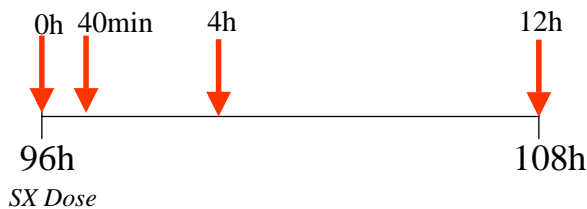
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### II.3- Optimal sampling times

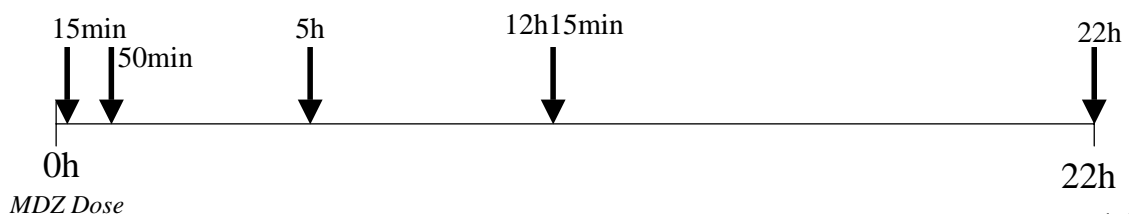
\* Uniresponse – SX

Design 1-SX : [0-12h], 4 samples, det=46



\* Uniresponse – MDZ

Design 1-MDZ : [0-22h], 5 samples, det=7.14 10<sup>10</sup>

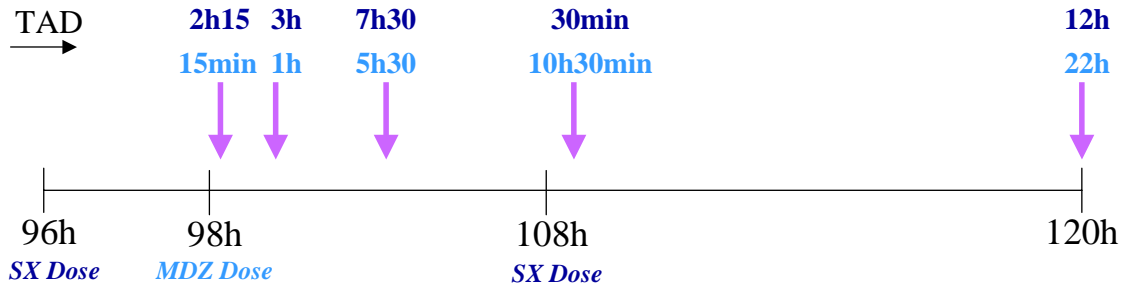


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### II.3- Optimal sampling times

\* Multiresponse – SX+MDZ

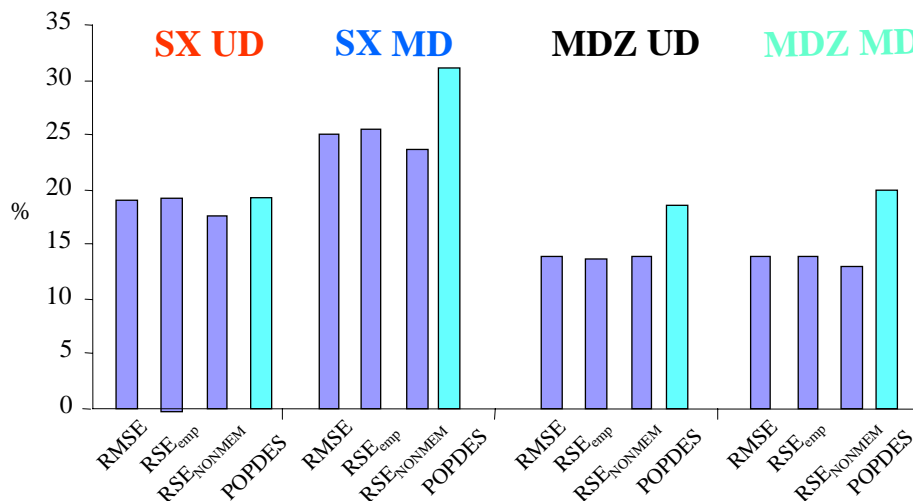


Design 4-SX/MDZ : [98-120h], 5 samples, determinant=  $9.6 \cdot 10^{11}$

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### II.4- Comparison of uniresponse/multiresponse designs: Accuracy of CL/F estimation and RMSE



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Under these clinical constraints and for these 2 population PK models, the multiresponse design gave a satisfactory level of results:

Thus, the sampling times proposed for the clinical trial were:

**SX** : Pre-dose and 40min; 1h; 2; 2h15; 2h30; 3h; 4h; 5h 6h; 7h30; 10h30; 12h; 12h30; 12h40; 14h30; 16h; 18h; 19h30; 24h; 48h

**MDZ** : Pre-dose and 15min; 30min; 1h; 2h; 3h; 4h; 5h30; 8h30; 10h30; 12h30; 22h

Empirical Full Design: 11 sampling times (11x12subjects=132)

Multiresponse Optimal Design: 5 sampling times (5x12subjects=60)

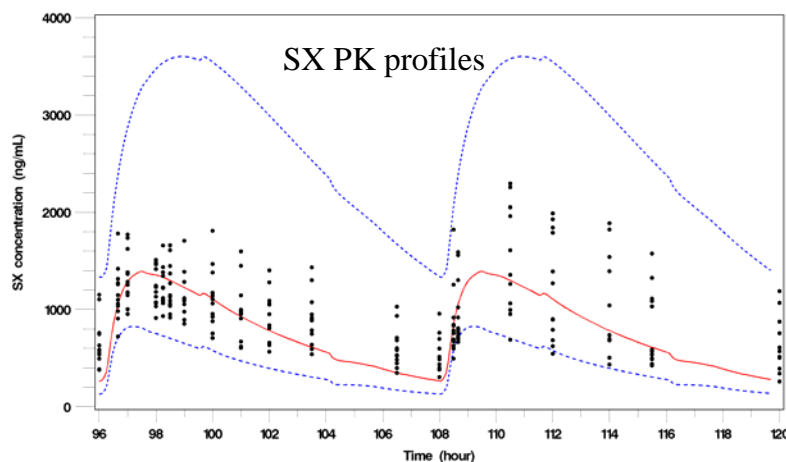


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### Analysis of real data

#### PBPK predictions vs Observations



**Fig. 3.** Comparison of observed SX concentration-time data with simulated concentration-time profiles obtained using SX PBPK model. Dots correspond to observed SX concentration-time data, and plain line and both dotted lines correspond to the median and the 5<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentiles of simulated SX concentration-time data, respectively.

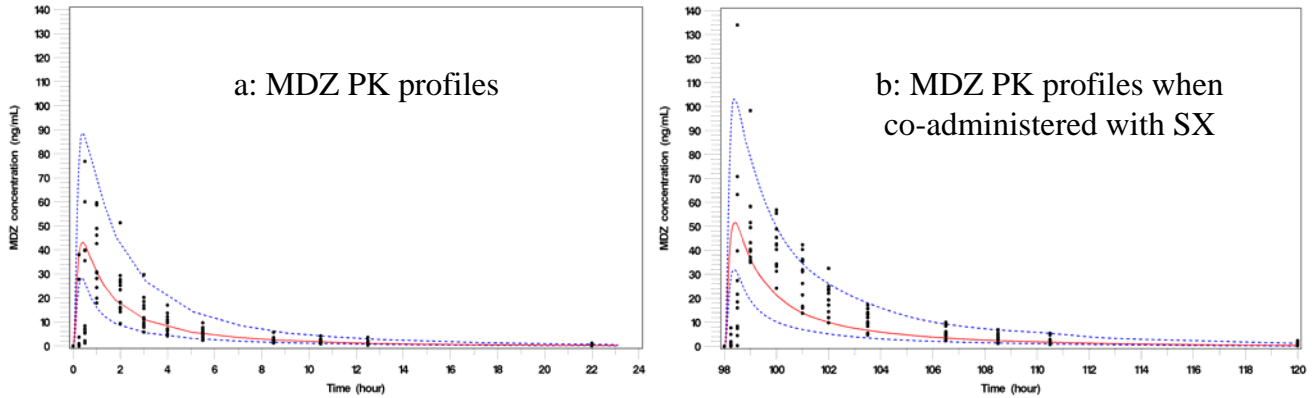
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### Analysis of real data

### PBPK predictions vs Observations



**Fig. 4.** Comparison of observed MDZ concentration-time data with simulated concentration-time profiles obtained using MDZ PBPK model. These results correspond to MDZ concentration-time data after a 7.5mg MDZ single oral dose **(a)** without SX co-administration, **(b)** with SX co-administration. Dots correspond to observed MDZ concentration-time data, plain line and both dotted lines correspond to the median and the 5<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentiles of simulated MDZ concentration-time data, respectively.

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### I.5- Population PK analyses of *in vivo* results using MD and FD

#### Comparison of results obtained with MD and FD

Drug	Treatment	Software	Wald's test (p<0.05)
SX		NONMEM	Vp/F (p<0.001), res_prop (p<0.048)
MDZ	alone	MONOLIX	ns
	co-administered with SX	MONOLIX	ns

-For MDZ data, NONMEM did not successfully minimized (error 134) with the sparse design, consequently MONOLIX was used.

-NONMEM and MONOLIX estimates were in the same range but the Wald's test could not be used with NONMEM (SE were not obtained).

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### I.6- Statistical analysis of the interaction: comparison tests

**Table II.** Comparison tests based on log (AUC) and log( $C_{max}$ ) individual parameters between groups (MDZ without SX and MDZ co-administered with SX).

		AUC median [min-max]		Log(AUC)	
Estimation method	Design	MDZ alone	MDZ with SX	Estimate	Student paired test
[90% CI] of ratio					
NCA	FD	103 [57-224]	201 [110-367]	1.9 [1.7-2.1]	p<0.0001
NONMEM	FD	98 [55-182]	182 [110-355]	1.9 [1.6-2.1]	p<0.0001
	MD	78 [51-123]	143 [99-226]	2.0 [1.8-2.2]	p<0.0001
MONOLIX	FD	102 [58-184]	180 [108-344]	1.8 [1.6-2.1]	p<0.0001
	MD	100 [67-166]	155 [110-250]	1.7 [1.6-1.9]	p<0.0001

		$C_{max}$ median [min-max]		Log( $C_{max}$ )	
Estimation method	Design	MDZ alone	MDZ with SX	Estimate	Student paired test
[90% CI] of ratio					
NCA	FD	40 [18-77]	51 [35-134]	1.3 [1.1-1.7]	p=0.0224
NONMEM	FD	39 [17-70]	50 [34-125]	1.5 [1.1-1.9]	p=0.0195
	MD	26 [17-42]	33 [26-45]	1.3 [1.1-1.5]	p=0.0063
MONOLIX	FD	42 [18-75]	51 [32-102]	1.3 [1.1-1.7]	p=0.0487
	MD	35 [21-56]	34 [27-48]	1.1 [1.0-1.2]	p=0.1935

MDZ exposure increased by a factor 2 when co-administered with SX.

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- This global approach including PBPK simulations, population PK modelling and multiresponse optimal design allowed without any *in vivo* data to design a clinical trial using sparse sampling able to detect a PK interaction between 2 co-administered drugs.

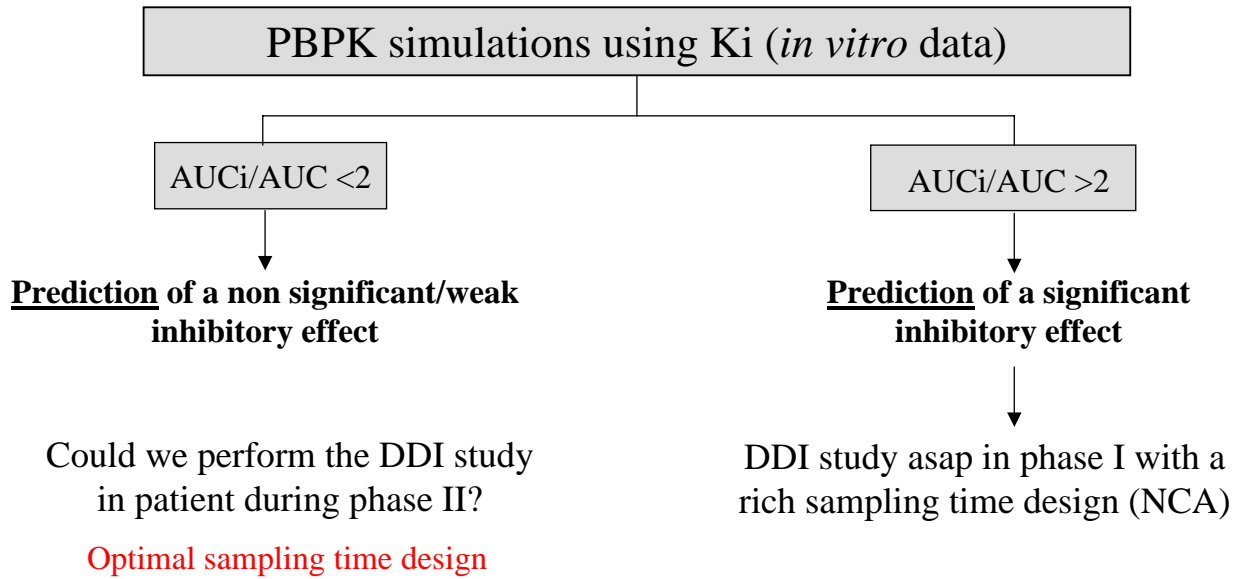
- For both compounds, no statistical differences were observed between CL/F estimates obtained with the two designs (full or sparse design).

- Real data analysis showed that the MD allowed to give the same conclusion (a factor 2 increase of the MDZ exposure (AUC) when co-administered with SX) than the empirical FD.

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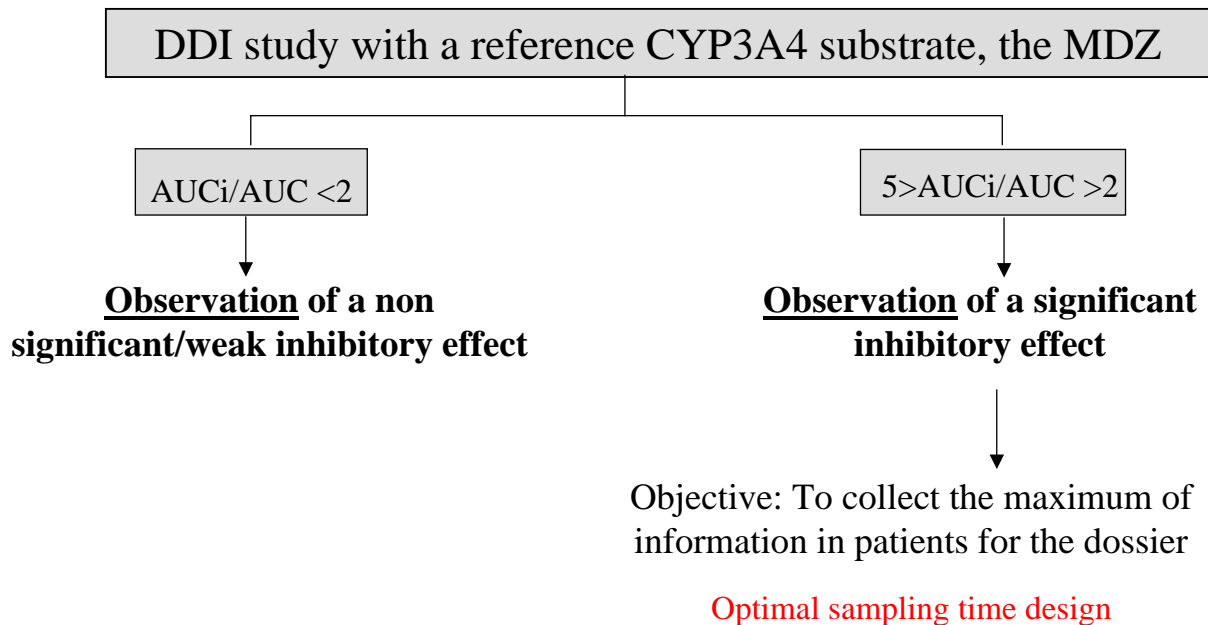
Early phase: Investigation of any potential inhibitory effect



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Phase II/III:



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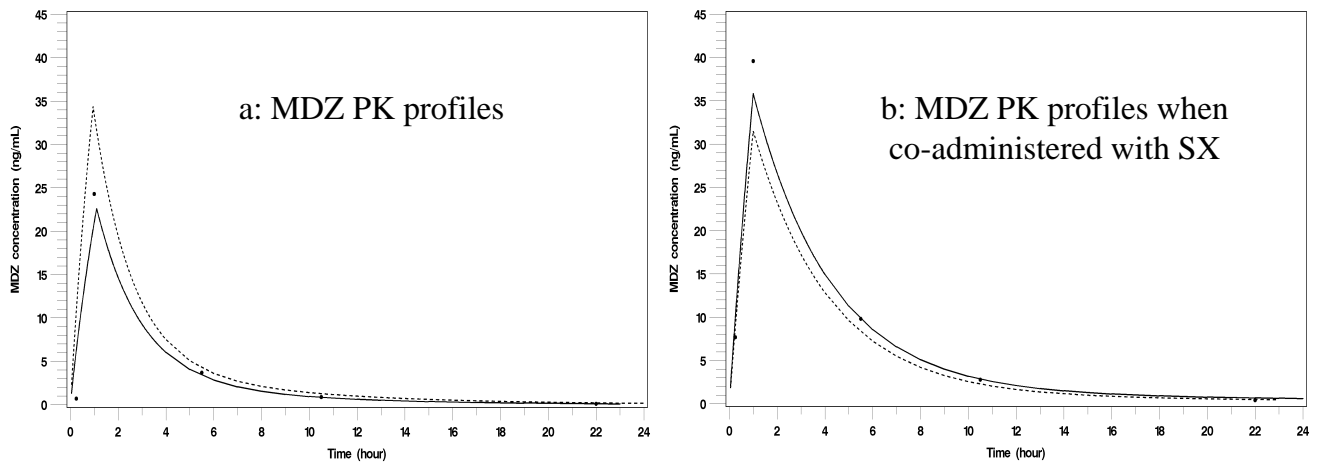


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### I.5- Population PK analyses of *in vivo* MDZ results using MD (MONOLIX)



**Fig. 2** MDZ concentration-time profile in a typical subject after a 7.5 mg MDZ single dose administration (**a**) and after a 7.5 mg MDZ single dose administration given to 2h after the first daily dose of SX (**b**). Dots correspond to observed MDZ concentration-time data, lines correspond to individual predicted profiles and dotted lines correspond to population predicted profiles. Concentrations used were those measured at the optimal sampling times (sparse optimal sampling time design, MD) and modelling was performed with MONOLIX version 2.1.