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Fundamentals of Pharmacogenomics (PGx), Genetic Variation in Drug Metabolism, and Interpretation of PGx Testing Results- Part 2

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- Nothing to disclose
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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- ❑ Describe fundamental principles of pharmacogenomics (PGx)
- ❑ Discuss how to navigate PGx database resources such as Clinical Pharmacogenetics Implementation Consortium (CPIC) and Pharmacogenomics Knowledge Database (PharmGKB)
- ❑ Illustrate general implications of genetic variants in drug metabolism in context of active parent drug versus inactive prodrug
- ❑ Outline function of major genetic variants associated with Phase I (CYP2C9, CYP2C19, CYP2D6) and Phase II (UGT1A1, TPMT) drug metabolism and describe potential impact on pharmacokinetics (PK) and drug response
- ❑ Define phenoconversion and predict CYP2D6 phenotypes by calculation of total activity scores
- ❑ Describe relevant FDA resources used for disseminating PGx-related drug-gene pair information

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in context of active parent drug
versus inactive prodrug**

General Overview Schematic of Genetic Variants on Drug Metabolism

Genetic variants associated with
↓ drug metabolizing enzyme function

Decreased enzyme activity

Potential impact on clinical PK parameters:

- Clearance (decreased)
- AUC (increased)
- Half-life (increased)

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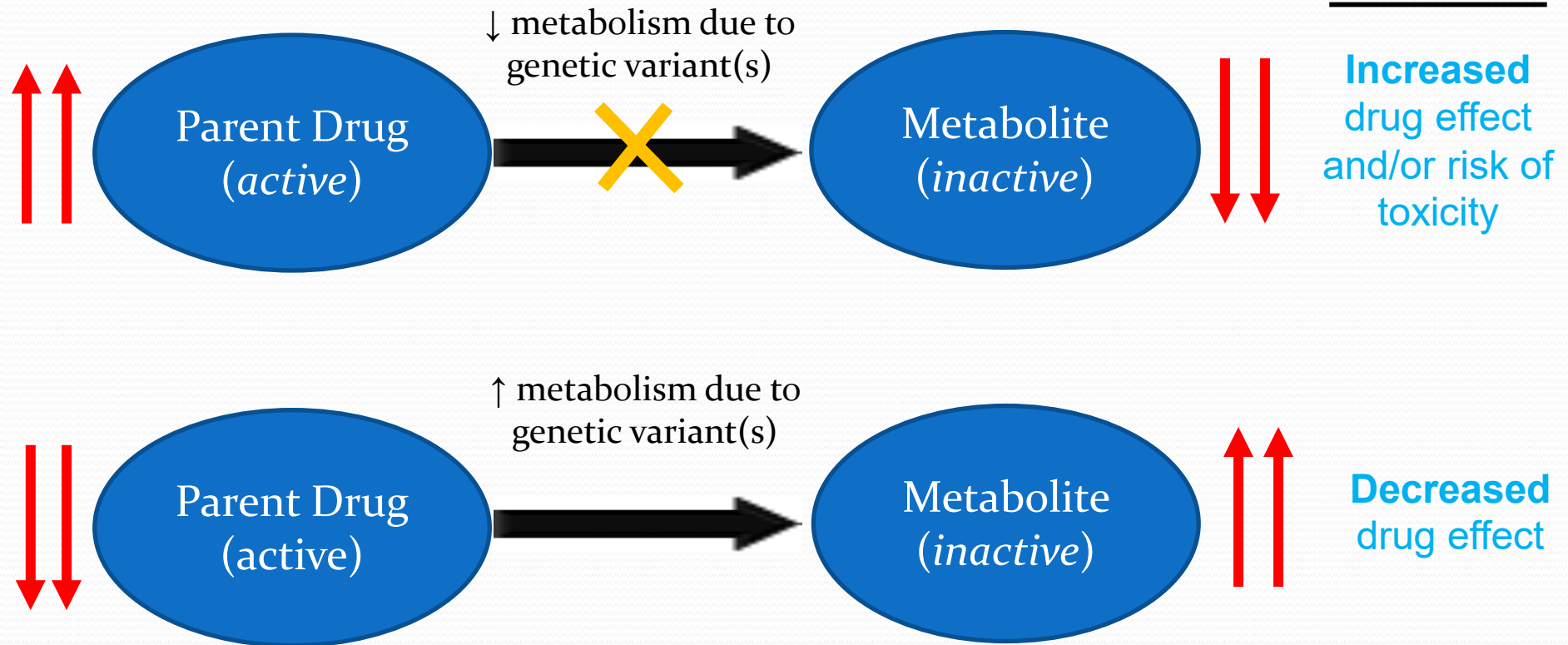
Increased enzyme activity

Potential impact on clinical PK parameters:

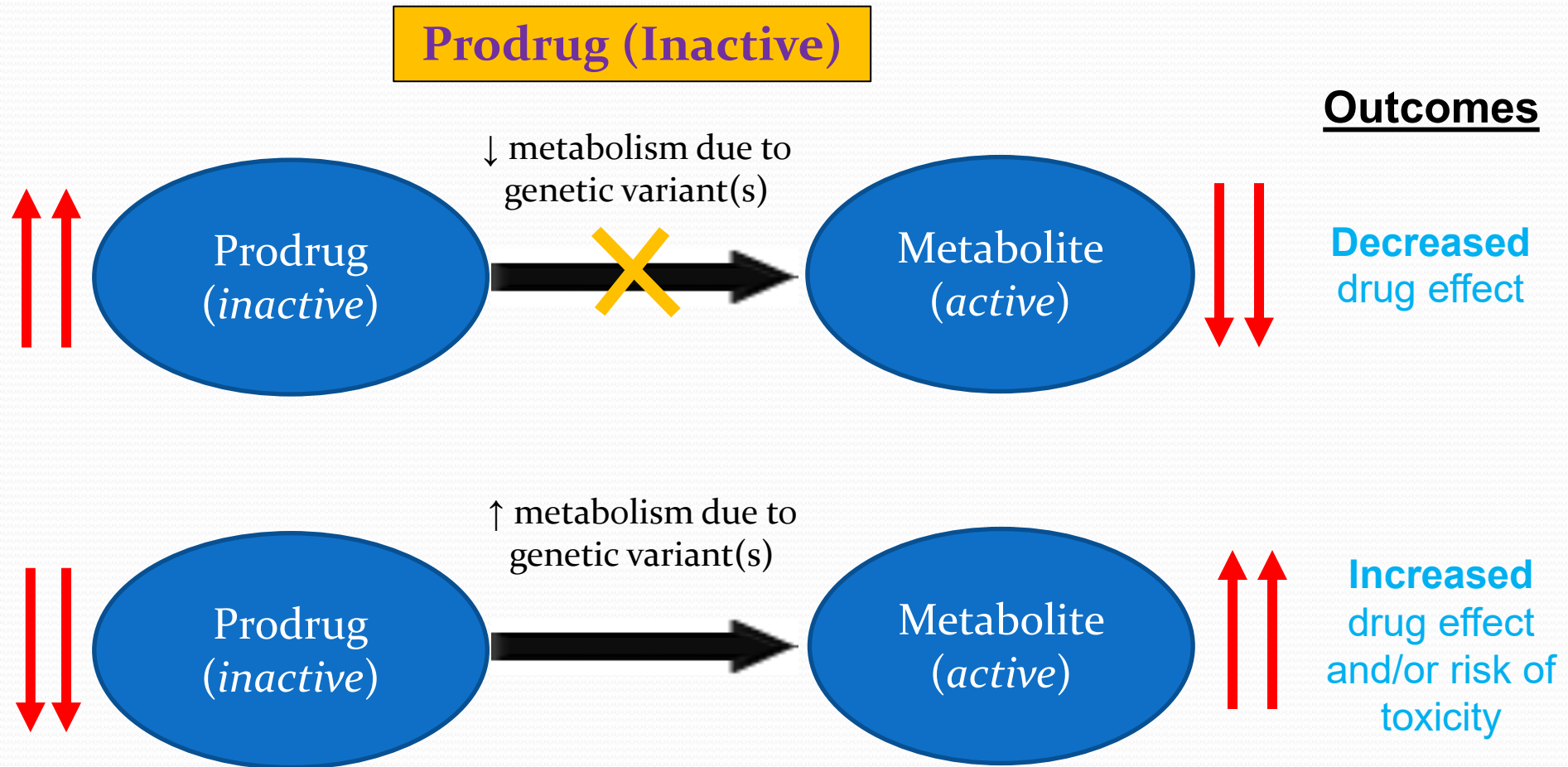
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Implications of Genetic Variants in Drug Metabolism in the Context of Active Parent Drug VERSUS Inactive Prodrug

Active Parent Drug



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Examples of prodrugs: *clopidogrel, codeine*

PRODRUG

CYP2D6
function

codeine
dose

Increased function

High morphine
concentration

Normal function

Expected morphine
concentration

Decreased function

Lower morphine
concentration

No function

No morphine

ACTIVE DRUG

TPMT
function

azathioprine or 6-
mercaptopurine
dose

Normal Function

Expected drug effect

Decreased Function

Risk of hematologic
toxicity

No Function

High risk of
hematologic toxicity

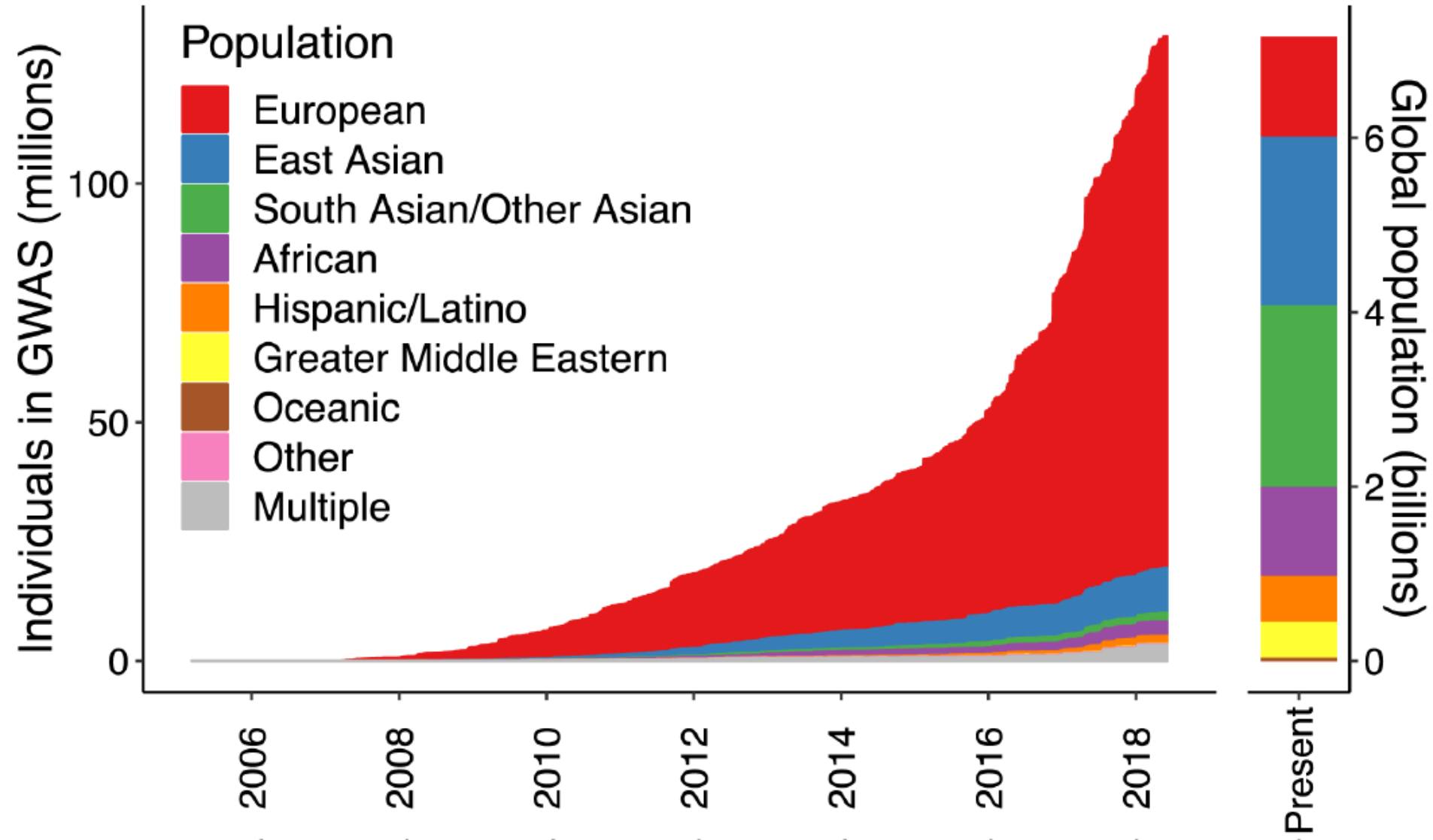
Outline function of major genetic variants associated with **Phase I (**CYP2C9, CYP2C19, CYP2D6**) and Phase II (UGT1A1, TPMT) drug metabolism and describe potential impact on pharmacokinetics (PK) and drug response**

Table 1. Selection of P450 allelic variation across populations, highlighting variability within and among populations.

Allelic variant	Function	Africa	African American	Caucasian	East Asia	Americas	Middle East	South Central Asia	Oceania
CYP2C9									
*2	Decreased	0–9%	1–4%	8–16%	0–1%	0.3–14%	5–27%	2–26%	0–3%
*3	None	0–3%	0.5–2%	4–11%	1–5%	0–6%	2–19%	6–13%	1–4%
*5	Decreased	0–3%	0.7–2.5%	0%	0%	0–2%	0–0.1%	0%	n/a
*6	None	0–2%	0–1.3%	0%	0%	0–1%	0%	0%	n/a
*8	Decreased	2–8%	3–12%	0–1%	0%	0–2%	0–1%	0–1%	n/a
*11	Decreased	1–5%	1–2%	0–1%	0–0.2%	0–1%	0%	0–1%	n/a
CYP2C19									
*2	None	4–22%	12–25%	8–27%	6–49%	2–31%	6–24%	9–51%	20–78%
*3	None	0–7%	0–1%	0–6.8%	0–21%	0–4%	0–20%	0–6%	2–33%
*4	None	0%	0%	0–1%	0–0.5%	0–0.2%	n/a	0%	0%
*17	Increased	10–18%	18–22%	11–33%	0–6.2%	1–25%	22–26%	12–18%	3–6%
CYP2D6									
*4	None	1–7%	4–8%	8–33%	0–4%	0.2–43%	4–13%	3–18%	0–8%
*5	Gene deletion	1–17%	3–9%	0–9%	0–10%	0–5%	1–4%	0–16%	1–8%
*10	Decreased	3–19%	3–8%	0.4–15%	9–64%	0–12%	1–9%	4–55%	0–6%
*17	Decreased	9–34%	14–26%	0–2.2%	0–0.2%	0–18%	0–3%	0–1%	0–0.2%
*29	Decreased	4–20%	5–8%	0–0.3%	0%	0–11%	0–2%	0–0.2%	0%

Allele frequencies for *CYP2C9*, *CYP2C19* and *CYP2D6* are from tables compiled for the Clinical Pharmacology Implementation Consortium (CPIC) and available through PharmGKB. Frequencies are rounded and might slightly deviate from those posted as new literature is added. n/a, no frequencies are available.

Significant need to include underrepresented groups in future PGx clinical studies



PGx of Major Drug-Metabolizing Enzyme Genes [Phase I]

- CYP₁A₂
 - CYP₂A₆
 - CYP₂B₆
 - CYP₂C₉
 - CYP₂C₁₉
 - CYP₂D₆
 - CYP₃A_{4/5}
 - Dihydropyrimidine dehydrogenase (DPYD)
 - Butyrylcholinesterase (BChE)
- ** We will focus on CYP₂C₉, CYP₂C₁₉ and CYP₂D₆ as noted in LEARNING OBJECTIVES****

Drug Metabolism-Phase I (CYP2C9)

- CYP2C9 metabolizes **15-20%** of all medications
- 2 major non-synonymous SNPs that can result in poor metabolizer phenotype
 - **CYP2C9*2** (Arg144Cys); **[REDUCED FUNCTION]**
 - **CYP2C9*3** (Ile359Leu); **[NO FUNCTION]**
- **CYP2C9*6** (no function allele in African Americans)
- **CYP2C9*5, *8 and *11** (reduced function alleles in African Americans)

Substrates	Inhibitors	Inducers
Celecoxib	Etravirine	Rifampin
Phenytoin	Amiodarone	Phenobarbital
Warfarin	Fluconazole	Carbamazepine
Sulfonylureas	Voriconazole	St John's Wort

<https://www.pharmgkb.org/vips> Accessed December 20, 2021

<https://www.pharmvar.org/gene/CYP2C9> Accessed Jan 6, 2022

Drug-Gene Pairs of Clinical Interest for CYP2C9

Warfarin

NSAIDs

Phenytoin

Drug Metabolism-Phase I (CYP2C19)

- Comprises ~12% metabolism of all drugs
- Major CYP2C19 SNPs include the following:
 - **CYP2C19*2** (681 G>A); NO function
 - **CYP2C19*3** (636G>A); NO function
 - **CYP2C19*17**; INCREASED function

Substrates	Inhibitors	Inducers
Clopidogrel	Fluvoxamine	Rifampin
Diazepam	Omeprazole	Carbamazepine
Omeprazole	Fluconazole	Phenobarbital
Voriconazole	Voriconazole	St. John's Wort

Drug-Gene Pairs of Clinical Interest- CYP2C19

Clopidogrel

Proton pump inhibitors

SSRIs (citalopram, escitalopram, sertraline)

Tricyclic antidepressants (amitriptyline)

Voriconazole

Drug Metabolism-Phase I (CYP2D6)

- Formerly known as debrisoquine/sparteine hydroxylase
- **1st human drug metabolic enzyme** identified as polymorphic
- Metabolizes **25%** of therapeutic drugs
- **Major CYP2D6 SNPs include the following:**
 - *Non-functional alleles* (**CYP2D6*3, *4, *5 and *6**)
 - *Reduced function alleles* (**CYP2D6*10, *17 and *41**)
 - *Functional alleles* (**CYP2D6*1xN and *2xN duplications**)

Substrates	Inhibitors	Inducers
Codeine	Bupropion	Non-inducible
Ondansetron	SSRIs (fluoxetine, paroxetine)	
Tramadol	Quinidine	
Tamoxifen	Ritonavir	

<https://www.pharmgkb.org/vips> Accessed December 20, 2021

<https://www.pharmvar.org/gene/CYP2D6> Accessed Jan 6, 2022

Drug-Gene Pairs of Clinical Interest- CYP2D6

Codeine/tramadol

SSRIs (paroxetine, fluvoxamine)

SNRIs (venlafaxine)

TCAs* (amitriptyline, nortriptyline)

Tamoxifen

**Define phenoconversion and
predict CYP2D6 phenotypes by
calculation of total activity scores**

What is Phenoconversion?

“Mismatch between the individual’s genotype-based prediction of drug metabolism and true capacity to metabolize drugs due to non-genetic factors”

Calculation of Activity Scores

- Pertinent to very polymorphic **CYP2D6** enzyme
- An individual's **activity score** is calculated by:
 - Assigning an activity score to EACH allele
 - Adding together the activity scores for BOTH alleles
 - total score typically ranges between 0-2
- *Numeric allelic activity scoring system is categorized as:*
 - **1 = Functional allele**
 - **0.5 = Reduced-function allele**
 - **0 = Non-functional allele**
- Concurrent medications can **MODIFY** activity scores (**PHENOCOPYING**)
 - For example- with *strong inhibitors*, multiply by zero, resulting in activity score of zero (i.e. poor metabolizer)

Standardizing *CYP2D6* Genotype to Phenotype Translation: Consensus Recommendations from the Clinical Pharmacogenetics Implementation Consortium and Dutch Pharmacogenetics Working Group

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Translating *CYP2D6* genotype to metabolizer phenotype is not standardized across clinical laboratories offering pharmacogenetic (PGx) testing and PGx clinical practice guidelines, such as the Clinical Pharmacogenetics Implementation Consortium (CPIC) and the Dutch Pharmacogenetics Working Group (DPWG). The genotype to phenotype translation discordance between laboratories and guidelines can cause discordant cytochrome P450 2D6 (*CYP2D6*) phenotype assignments and, thus lead to inconsistent therapeutic recommendations and confusion among patients and clinicians. A modified-Delphi method was used to obtain consensus for a uniform system for translating *CYP2D6* genotype to phenotype among a panel of international *CYP2D6* experts. Experts with diverse involvement in *CYP2D6* interpretation (clinicians, researchers, genetic testing laboratorians, and PGx implementers; $n = 37$) participated in conference calls and surveys. After completion of 7 surveys, a consensus (> 70%) was reached with 82% of the *CYP2D6* experts agreeing to the final *CYP2D6* genotype to phenotype translation method. Broad adoption of the proposed *CYP2D6* genotype to phenotype translation method by guideline developers, such as CPIC and DPWG, and clinical laboratories as well as researchers will result in more consistent interpretation of *CYP2D6* genotype.

Standardization of CYP2D6 Genotype to Phenotype

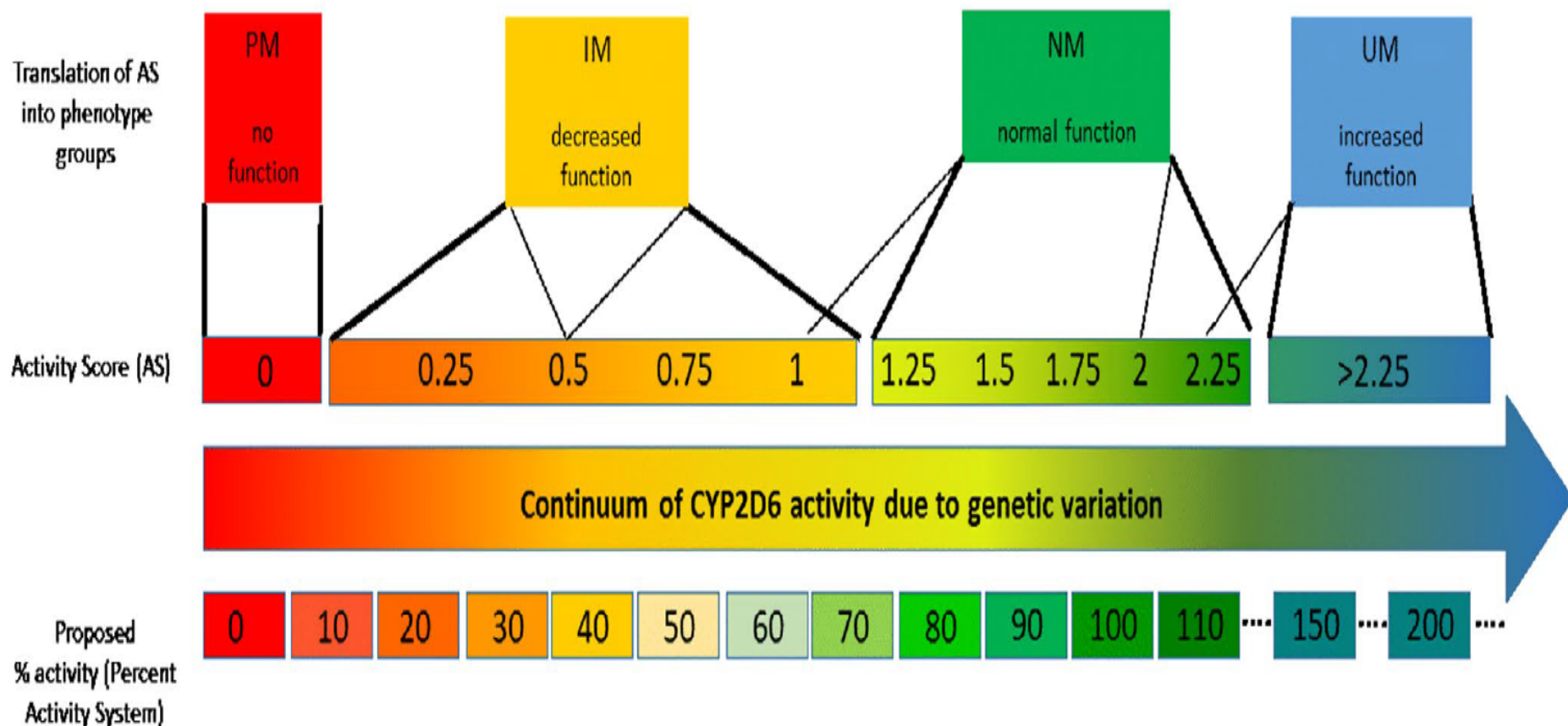


Figure 3 Comparison of the Clinical Pharmacogenetics Implementation Consortium method and percentage activity method for translating *CYP2D6* genotype to phenotype. Thin lines represent different ways to translate activity score (AS) into phenotype and the bold lines represent the recommended *CYP2D6* genotype to phenotype translation consensus system. IM, intermediate metabolizer; NM, normal metabolizer; PM, poor metabolizer; UM, ultrarapid metabolizer.

Example of Calculation of Total Activity Scores to Determine CYP2D6 Phenotypes

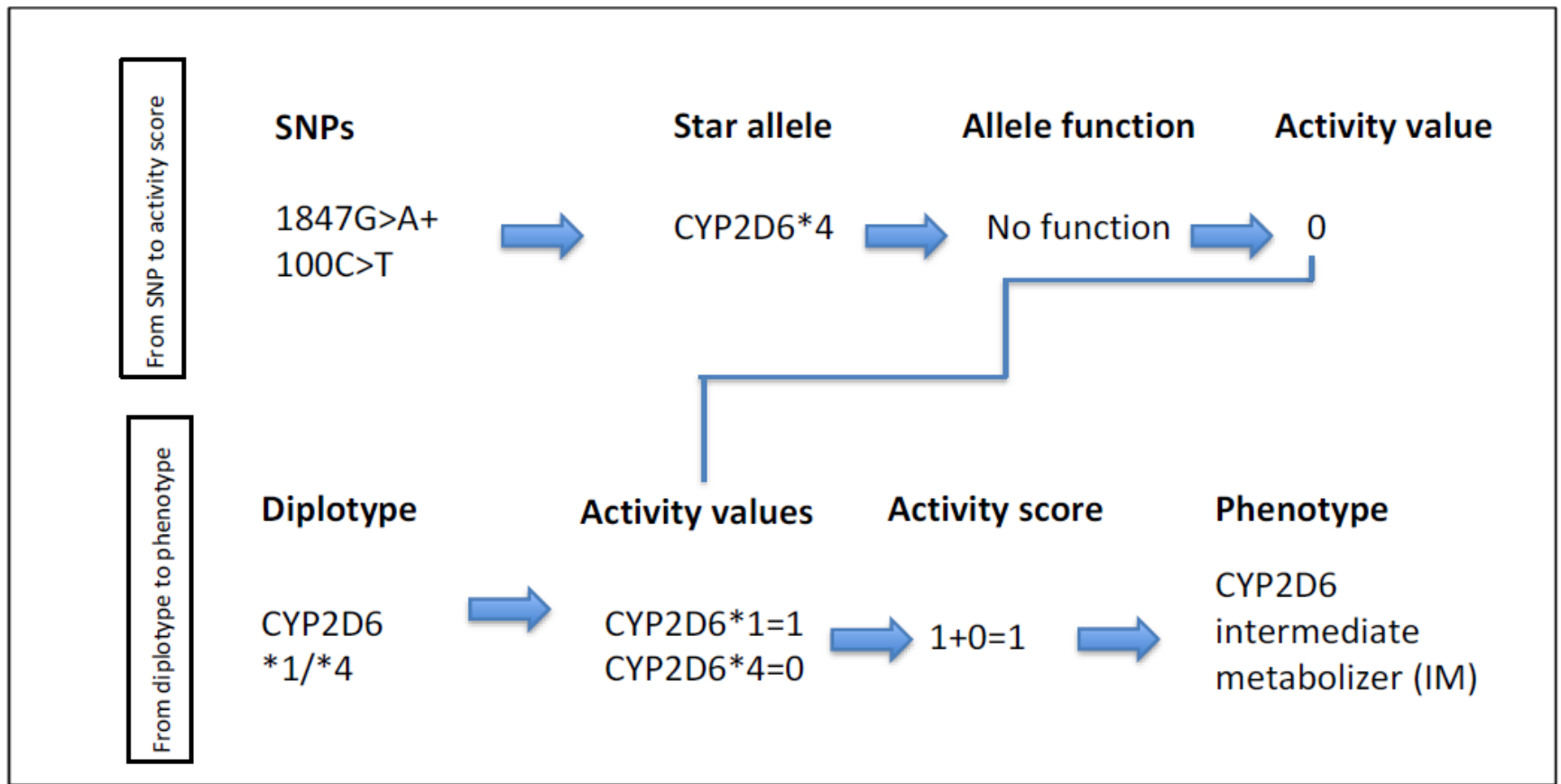


Figure 1. Explanation how to transfer a SNP to an activity score (first line) and how to calculate the phenotype from the diplotype (second line).

CYP2D6 Phenoconversion Calculator



The PROP™ Pharmacogenetics Calculator is intended to help clinicians integrate a standardized method of assessing CYP2D6 phenoconversion into practice when a CYP2D6 genotype is available. The CYP2D6 drug metabolizing enzyme is susceptible to inhibition by concomitant drugs, which can lead to a clinical phenotype that is different from the genotype-based phenotype, a process referred to as phenoconversion.

Phenoconversion is highly prevalent but not widely integrated into practice because of either limited experience on how to integrate or lack of knowledge that it has occurred.

Use this calculator to enter a patient's CYP2D6 genotype and choose any interacting medications and the patient's activity score and clinical phenotype will be displayed. This calculator uses updated recommendations for translating CYP2D6 genotype to phenotype from the Clinical Pharmacogenetics Implementation Consortium (CPIC) and includes drugs classified as strong or moderate CYP2D6 inhibitors by the Food and Drug Administration. For complete information on how the calculator was developed, see Cicali EJ, et al., How to Integrate CYP2D6 Phenoconversion into Clinical Pharmacogenetics: A Tutorial. *Clin Pharmacol Ther*. 2021 Jul 7. doi: 10.1002/cpt.2354. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 34231197.

<https://precisionmedicine.ufhealth.org/phenoconversion-calculator/> Accessed January 23, 2022

Phenoconversion Calculator

STEP 1

Choose Trial

- ☒ Acute / Chronic Pain
☐ Depression

NEXT

STEP 2

Choose CYP2D6 Alleles ?

Allele 1

*4

Allele 2

*41

Is there an extra allele present? ?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

NEXT

Genotype-based CYP2D6 Activity Score ?

0.5

Genotype-based CYP2D6 Phenotype ?

Intermediate Metabolizer

STEP 3

Assess Oral Concomitant Medications

Is the patient taking one or more of the CYP2D6 inhibitors below? Check all that apply.

- ☐ Abiraterone (Zytiga®)
☐ Bupropion (Wellbutrin®)
☐ Cinacalcet (Sensipar®)
☐ Duloxetine (Cymbalta®)
☐ Fluoxetine (Prozac®)
☒ Mirabegron (Myrbetriq®)
☐ Paroxetine (Paxil®)
☐ Quinidine (Quinidex®)
☐ Terbinafine (Lamisil®)
☐ No Inhibitor Present

CALCULATE

Adjusted CYP2D6 Activity Score ?

0.25

Clinical CYP2D6 Phenotype ?

Intermediate Metabolizer

No phenoconversion has occurred.

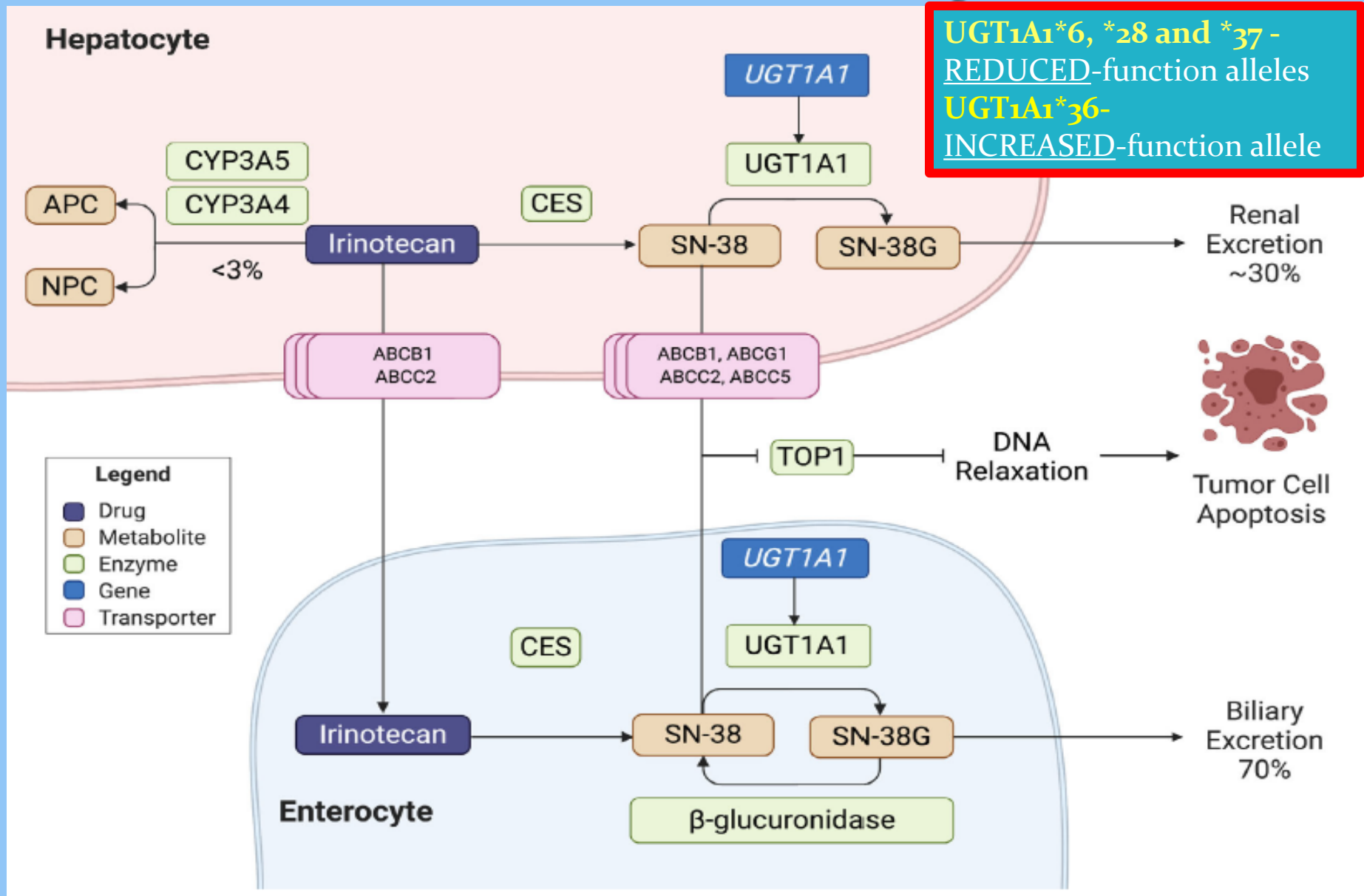
SHOW PER-PROTOCOL TREATMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

RESET

Cicali E et al.
*Clinical Pharmacology
and Therapeutics.*
2021; 110(3): 677-687

Outline function of major genetic variants associated with Phase I (CYP2C9, CYP2C19, CYP2D6) and Phase II (UGT1A1, TPMT) drug metabolism and describe potential impact on pharmacokinetics (PK) and drug response

PGx of Phase II Enzymes



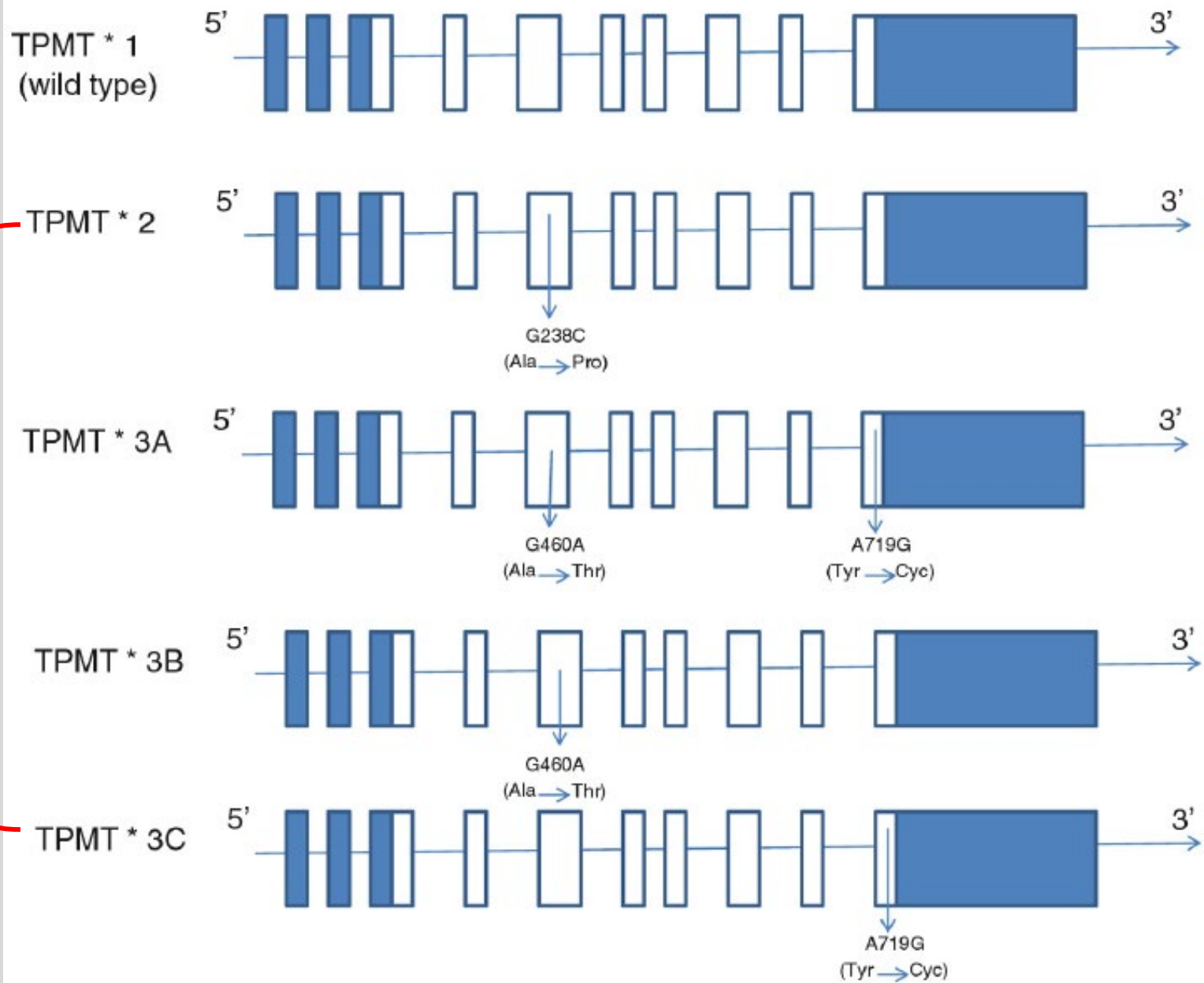
Drug-Gene Pairs of Clinical Interest- UGT1A1

Atazanavir

Irinotecan

Belinostat

**No
function
alleles in
TPMT
gene**



Drug-Gene Pairs of Clinical Interest- TPMT

Azathioprine

Mercaptopurine

Thioguanine

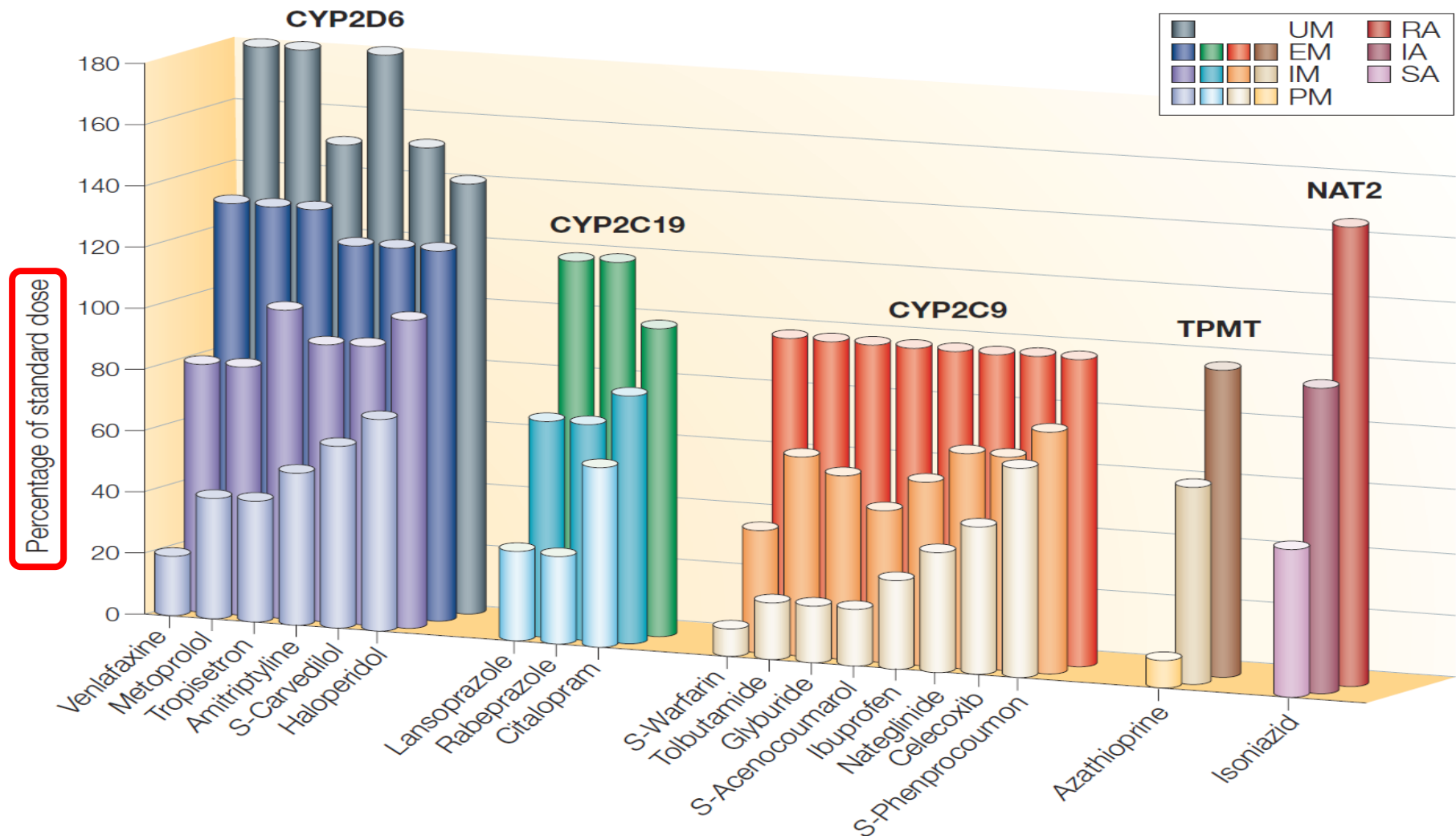
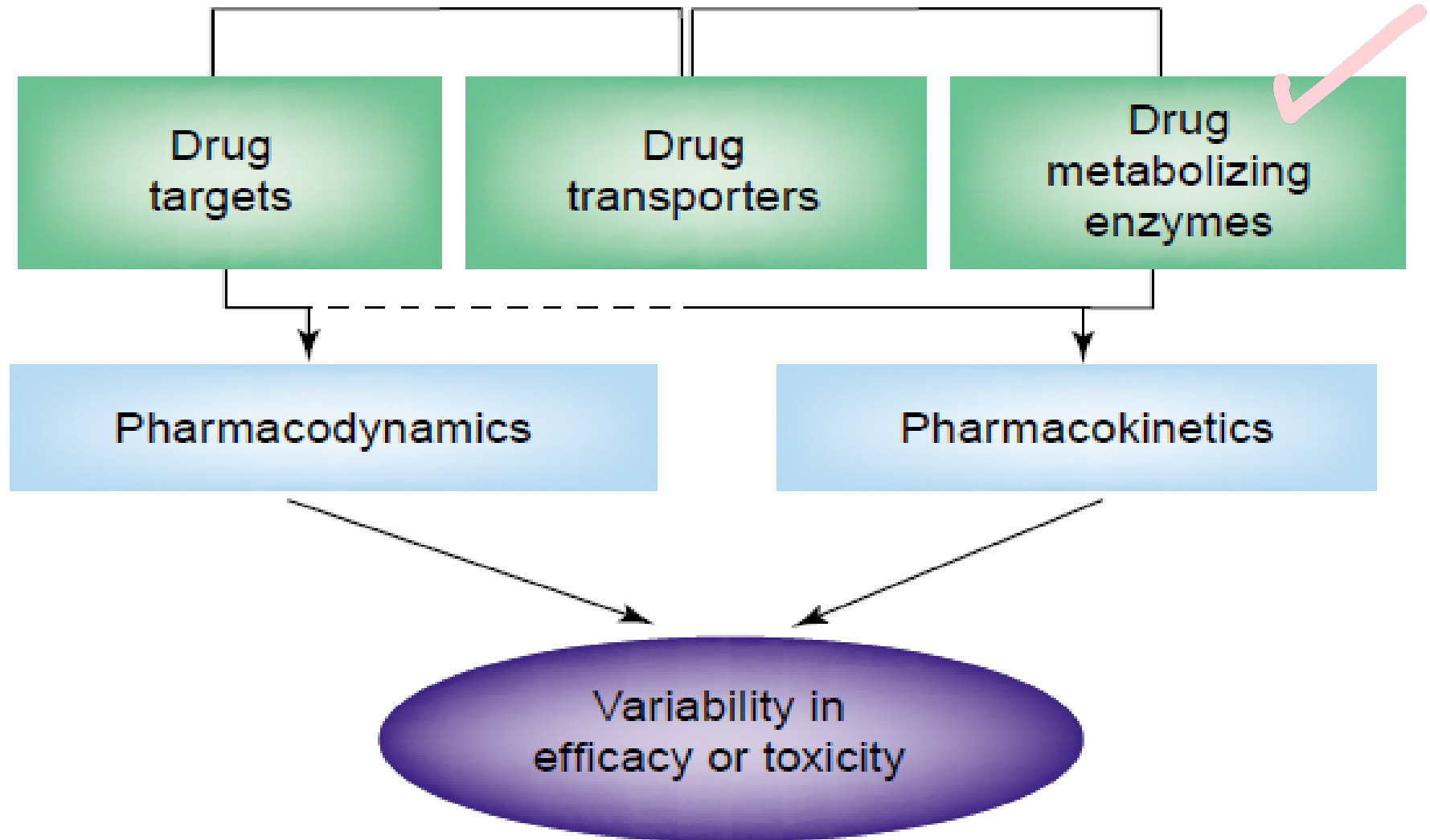


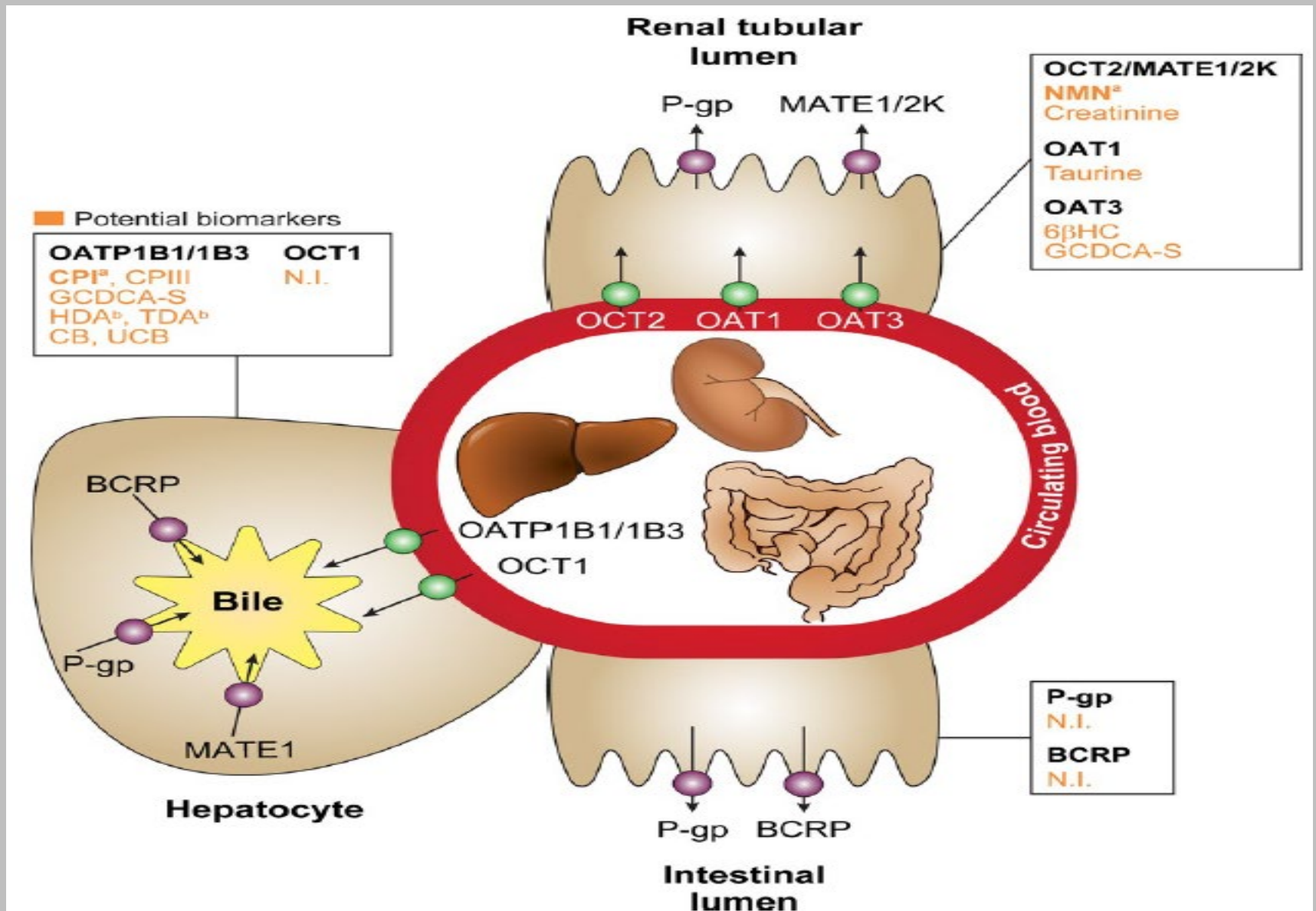
Figure 2 | Examples of dose adjustments based on PGDx. The influence of genetic polymorphisms in cytochrome P450 enzymes CYP2D6, CYP2C19 and CYP2C9, thiopurine S-methyltransferase (TPMT) and N-acetyltransferase type 2 (NAT2) is expressed as subpopulation-specific dosages, according to the difference in pharmacokinetic parameters from clinical studies^{1,12,14,32,33}. The dose adjustments illustrated by the bars in this graph are based on differences in dose-related pharmacokinetic parameters (clearance, AUC, STEADY-STATE CONCENTRATION) caused by particular genotypes and are calculated using the methods described earlier¹². Substantial adjustments need to be made to drug dose to achieve the same level of drug exposure in individuals with different genotypes. AUC, area under the

Pharmacogenetics



TRENDS in Genetics

PGx of Drug Transporters



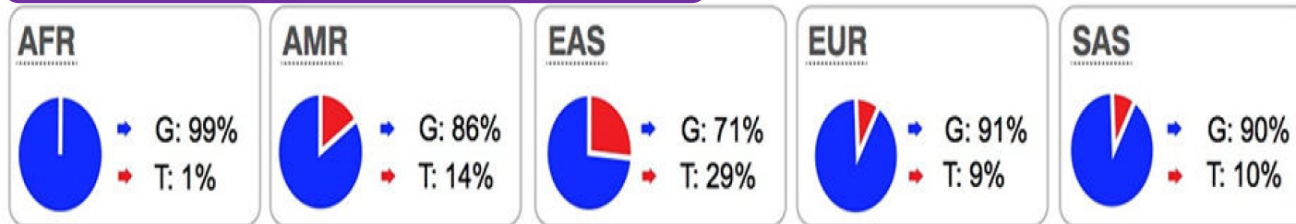
Drug Transporters of Emerging Clinical Interest

- ❑ P-glycoprotein (P-gp; ABCB1/MDR-1)
- ❑ Breast cancer resistance protein (BCRP; ABCG2)
- ❑ Organic anion transporting polypeptide (OATP) 1B1 (SLCO1B1) and OATP1B3 (SLCO1B3)
- ❑ Organic anion transporter (OAT)1 (SLC22A6) and OAT3 (SLC22A8)
- ❑ Organic cation transporter (OCT) 1 (SLC22A1) and (OCT) 2 (SLC22A2)
- ❑ Multidrug and toxin extrusion protein (MATE) 1 (SLC47A1)

Major PGx Variants of Drug Transporters

Transporter variants and allele frequencies in different populations¹

ABCG2: rs2231142, BCRP-Q141K, c. 421C>A



Supporting evidence

KO mice: Yes
DDI: Yes
GWAS: Yes

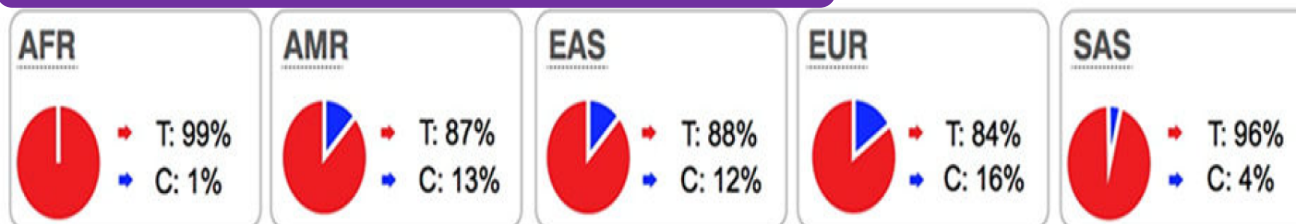
In vitro effect

Reduced expression levels and reduced transporter activity.

**In vivo* effect

Increased plasma levels of drug substrate (e.g. atorvastatin, tenofovir) due to reduced efflux of drug from the intestine.
Increased efficacy of drug substrate (e.g. rosuvastatin) due to reduced efflux of drug in the liver.

SLCO1B1: rs4149056, OATP1B1-V174A, c. 521T>C



KO mice: Yes
DDI: Yes
GWAS: Yes

Reduced transporter activity (see Supplemental Table 1)

Increased plasma levels of substrates (e.g. pravastatin, atorvastatin).
Increased toxicity of drug substrates (e.g. simvastatin, cerivastatin) due to increased plasma levels.

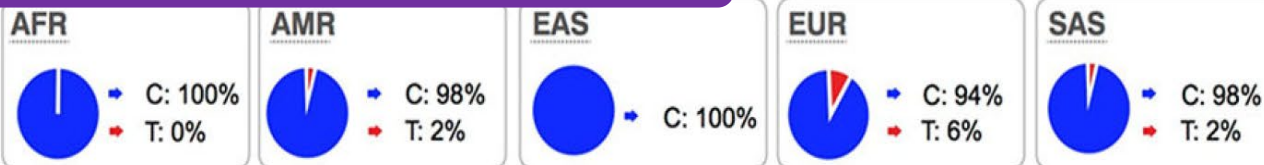
Major PGx Variants of Drug Transporters

Transporter variants and allele frequencies in different populations¹

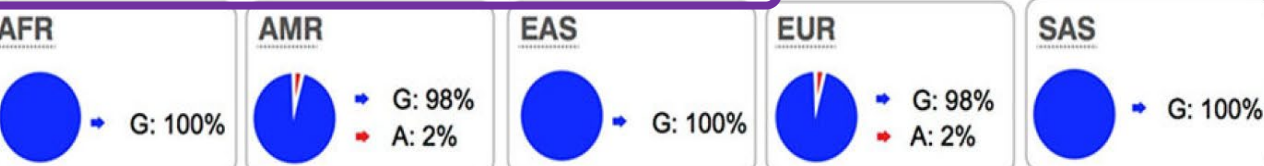
SLC22A1: rs34130495, OCT1-G401S, c.1201G>A



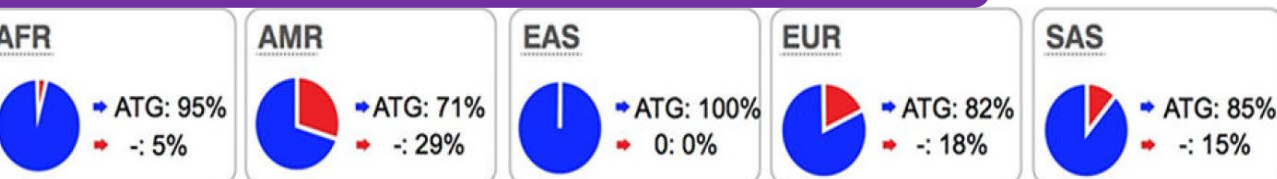
SLC22A1: rs12208357, OCT1-R61C, c.181C>T



SLC22A1: rs34059508, OCT1-G465R, c.1393G>A



SLC22A1: rs202220802, OCT1-420Del, c.1258_1260ATG>deletion



Supporting evidence

KO mice: Yes
DDI: Yes
GWAS: Yes
(metabolite levels)

In vitro effect

Reduced transporter activity and some with reduced protein expressions on the membrane (see Supplemental Table 1)

In vivo effect

Increased plasma levels of drug, which could lead to increased drug toxicity (see Table 2).

Drug-Gene Pairs of Clinical Interest/ Drug Transporters

Simvastatin (SLCO1B1)

Rosuvastatin (ABCG2)

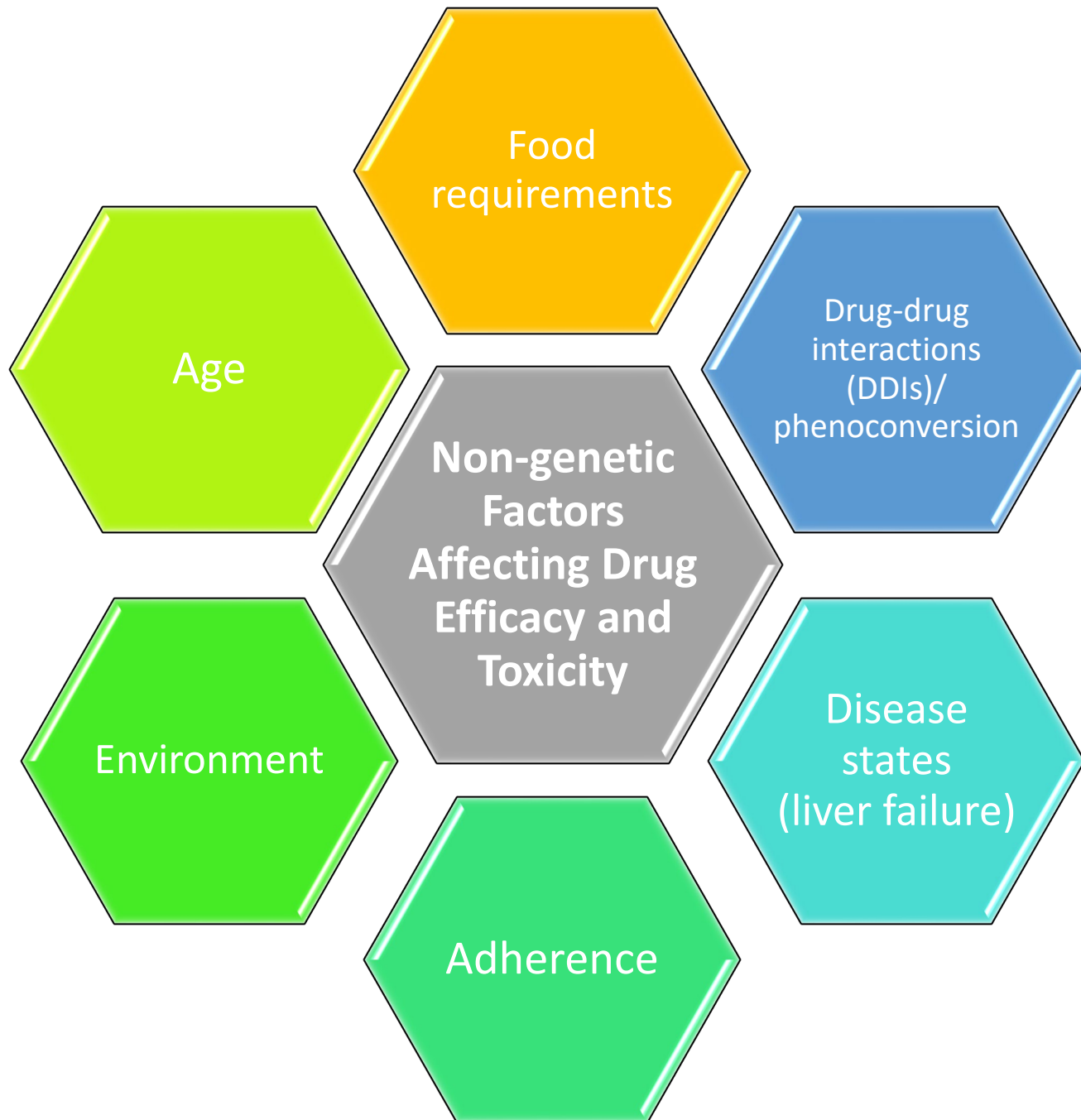
Drug-Gene Pairs of Clinical Interest/ Pharmacodynamic Markers (Drug Targets)

Warfarin (VKORC₁)

SSRIs (5HTR_{2A} and SLC6A₄)

Abacavir/allopurinol/carbamazepine/
oxcarbazepine/phenytoin (HLA-B)

Carbamazepine (HLA-A)



**Describe relevant FDA resources
used for disseminating PGx-related
drug-gene pair information**

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Table of Pharmacogenetic Associations

<https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/precision-medicine/table-pharmacogenetic-associations> Accessed February 22, 2022

<https://www.fda.gov/drugs/science-and-research-drugs/table-pharmacogenomic-biomarkers-drug-labeling> Accessed February 22, 2022

FDA Resources for PGx-related Information

PGx Information in FDA Drug Labeling

- ❑ Subsection 12.5 in drug labeling (i.e. can include specific dosing recommendations)
- ❑ Summary of essential scientific information needed for safe and effective use of prescription drug
- ❑ Focuses on somatic/germline mutations
- ❑ Reports positive and negative associations
- ❑ May suggest testing recommendations

FDA Table of PGx Associations (introduced Feb 2020)

- ❑ Not all inclusive and updated periodically with evolving evidence
- ❑ Reports associations supporting therapeutic management recommendations/potential impact on safety/response + PK
- ❑ Focuses only on germline mutations
- ❑ Reports positive associations only
- ❑ Does not report testing recommendations

PGx Level

Testing required The label states or implies that some sort of gene, protein or chromosomal testing, including genetic testing, functional protein assays, cytogenetic studies, etc., should be conducted before using this drug. This requirement may only be for a particular subset of patients. PharmGKB considers labels that state the variant is an indication for the drug, as implying a test requirement. If the label states a test "should be" performed, this is also interpreted as a requirement.

Testing recommended The label states or implies that some sort of gene, protein or chromosomal testing, including genetic testing, functional protein assays, cytogenetic studies, etc., is recommended before using this drug. This recommendation may only be for a particular subset of patients. PharmGKB considers labels that say testing "should be considered" or "Consider genotyping or phenotyping" to be recommending testing.

Actionable PGx The label may contain information about changes in efficacy, dosage, metabolism or toxicity due to gene/protein/chromosomal variants or phenotypes (e.g. "poor metabolizers"). Or the label may mention contraindication of the drug in a particular subset of patients with particular variants/genotypes/phenotypes. However, the label does not require or recommend gene, protein or chromosomal testing.

Informative PGx

1. The label contains information stating that particular gene/protein/chromosomal variants or metabolizer phenotypes do not affect a drug's efficacy, dosage, metabolism or toxicity. Or, the label states that particular variants or phenotypes affect a drug's efficacy, dosage, metabolism or toxicity, but this effect is not "clinically" significant.

OR

2. The label appears or appeared on the FDA Biomarker List but does not currently meet the requirements to be assigned as "Testing required", "Testing recommended" or "Actionable PGx". PharmGKB annotates every label that appears on the FDA Biomarker list, regardless of whether we would otherwise annotate the label.

M. Whirl-Carrillo, E.M. McDonagh, J. M. Hebert, L. Gong, K. Sangkuhl, C.F. Thorn, R.B. Altman and T.E. Klein.
"Pharmacogenomics Knowledge for Personalized Medicine" *Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics* (2012) 92(4): 414-417
<https://www.pharmgkb.org/page/drugLabelLegend#pgx-level> Accessed December 20, 2021

PharmGKB also annotates drug labels from other agencies. See the [full list of PharmGKB annotated labels](#).

LABEL FOR ⇅	ALLELES ⇅	FDA BIOMARKER LIST ⇅	FDA PGX ASSOCIATION ⇅	PGX LEVEL ⇅	TAGS
abacavir		All ⇅	All ⇅	All ⇅	All ⇅
abacavir and HLA-B	HLA-B*57:01:01	On FDA Biomarker List	Recommendations	Testing required ⓘ	Alternate Drug ⓘ Prescribing Info ⓘ
Testing required ⓘ	Alternate Drug ⓘ	Prescribing Info ⓘ			

PharmGKB ID : PA166104833

Variants Discussed on Label

[HLA-B*57:01:01](#)

Summary

The FDA-approved label for abacavir (ZIAGEN) states that genetic testing for the HLA-B*5701 allele is required prior to initiating or reinitiating treatment with abacavir in patients of unknown HLA-B*5701 status. Abacavir is contraindicated in patients with the HLA-B*5701 allele due to risk for abacavir hypersensitivity reactions.

FDA Table of Pharmacogenetic Associations

From the [FDA Table of Pharmacogenetic Associations](#):

CATEGORY	DRUG	GENE	AFFECTED SUBGROUP	INTERACTION DESCRIPTION
Recommendations	abacavir	HLA-B	*57:01 allele positive	Results in higher adverse reaction risk (hypersensitivity reactions). Do not use abacavir in patients positive for HLA-B*57:01.

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