

# Population Pharmacokinetic Modelling and Simulation of Anlotinib in Chinese Pediatric Patients with Advanced Soft Tissue Sarcomas

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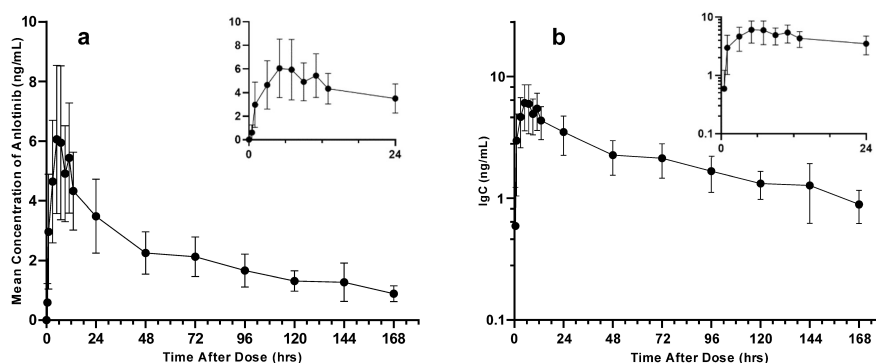
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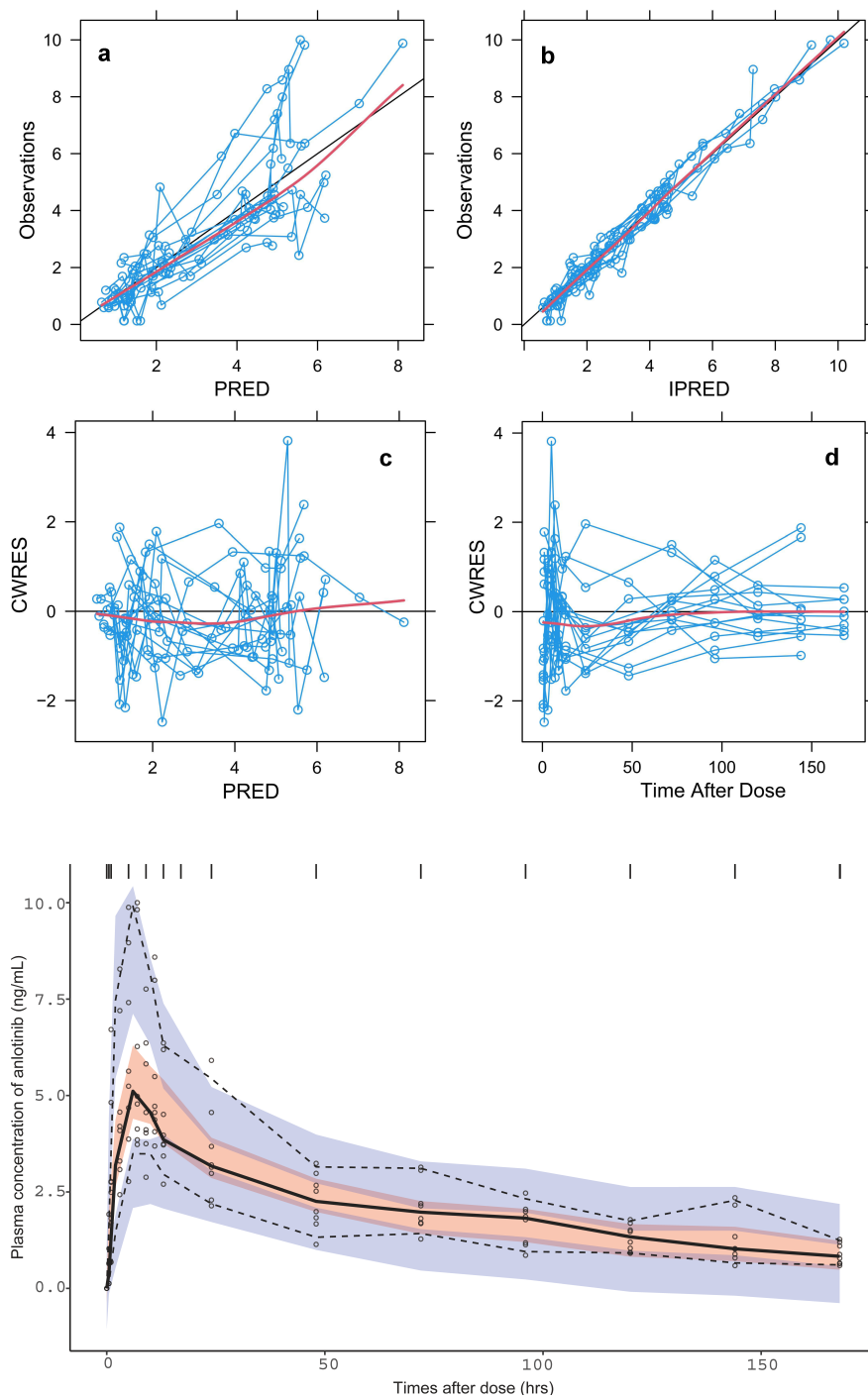
## Abstract

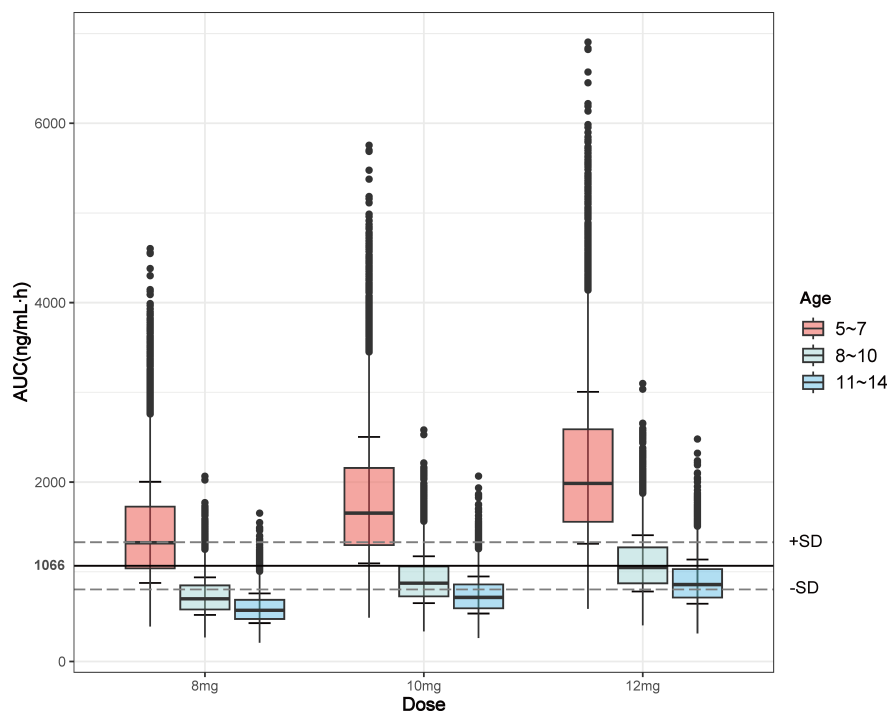
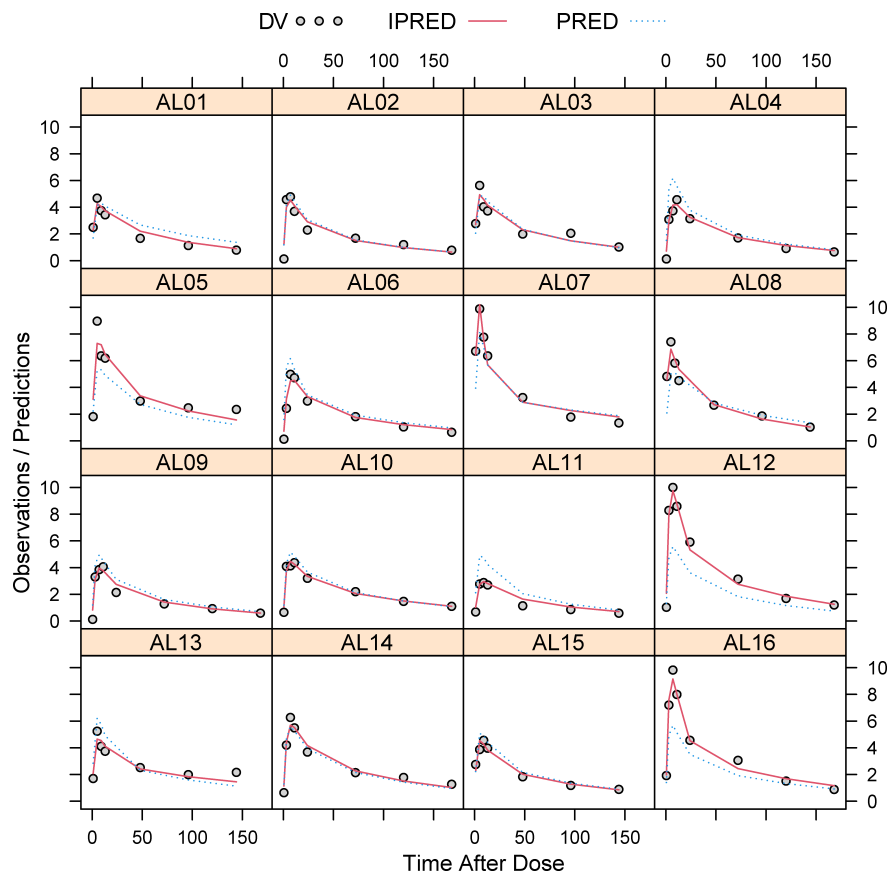
**Objective:** Population pharmacokinetics analysis explored the pharmacokinetics of anlotinib in children with soft tissue sarcomas (STS) and identified the optimal dose for children across various age brackets. **Method:** From 2021 to 2023, a single dose of anlotinib (4.62 mg/m<sup>2</sup>) was orally administered in 16 children with advanced STS in 8 days. Anlotinib plasma concentration was evaluated by LC-MS/MS. Pharmacokinetic models were developed using nonlinear mixed-effects modelling. The effect of predefined covariates on pharmacokinetic parameters was assessed. **Results:** Totally 128 samples from 16 children (aged 5-14) were collected for pop-PK analysis. The two-compartment model was most consistent with the data of oral anlotinib in pediatrics with advanced STS, and the relevant parameters were:  $K_a$  (h<sup>-1</sup>) 0.419;  $V_c/F$  (L) 760;  $Q$  (L[?]/h-1) 21.2;  $V_p/F$  (L) 547. Covariate screening showed that the clearance of anlotinib gradually increased with age in a sigmoidal relationship, the maximum  $CL/F$  was 15.7L[?]/h-1, and age of median clearance ( $Age_{50}$ ) was 6.84 years; the  $V_c/F$  increased linearly with BSA. Dose of 8 mg anlotinib for children aged 5-7, and 10 mg or 12 mg for children aged 8-10 would be expected to lead to a similar exposure of anlotinib compared with an adult patient receiving 12 mg. **Conclusion:** The population pharmacokinetics of orally administrated anlotinib were evaluated in pediatric advanced STS patients. BSA and age were significant physiologic factors on PK. A simulation of 8 mg anlotinib in children aged 5-7, 10 mg or 12 mg in 8-10 and 12 mg for children over 11 would get similar exposure of adults receiving 12mg.

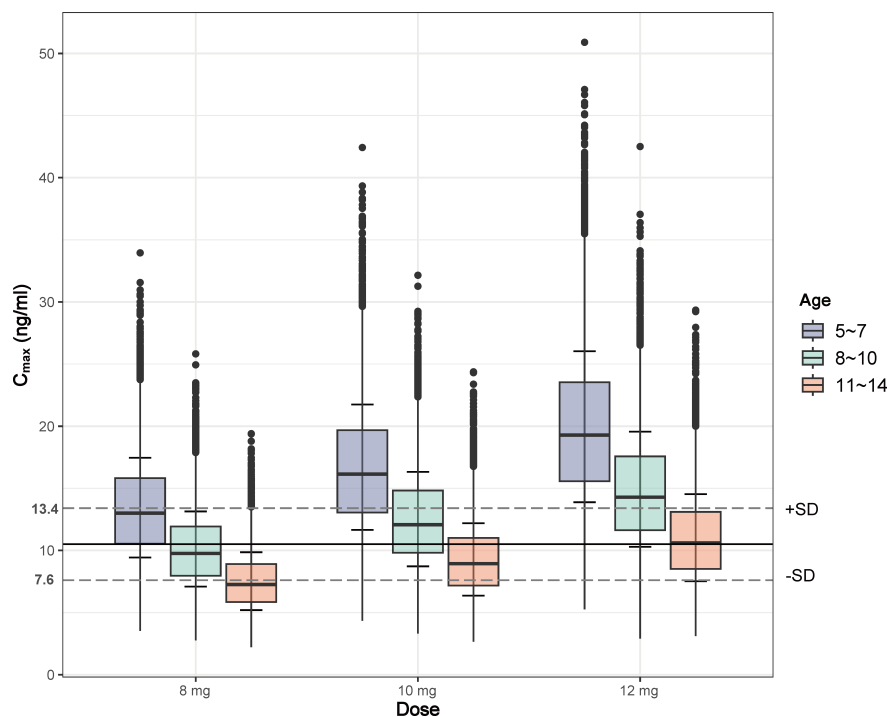
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