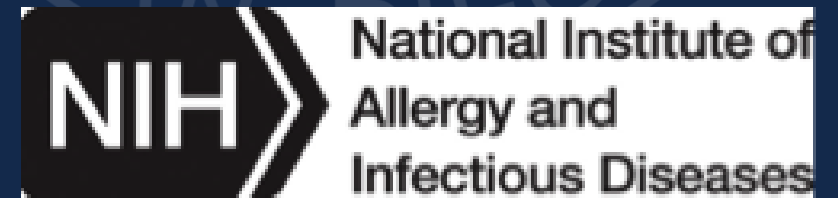


# Population Pharmacokinetics of VRC01 in Infants and Adults

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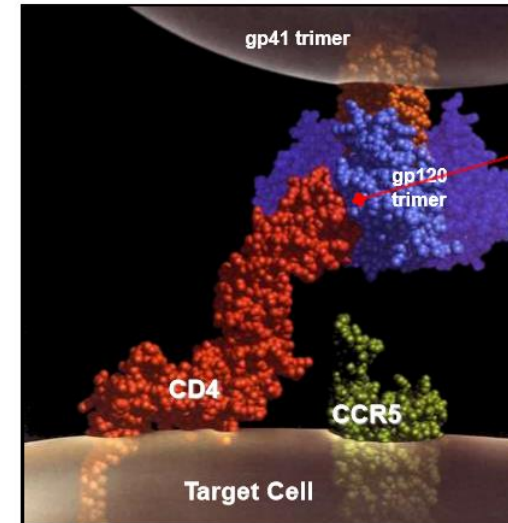
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# VRC01: a broadly neutralizing antibody (bNAb)

- bNAbs represent a new class of antiretroviral therapy (ART) with long plasma  $t_{1/2}$  allowing infrequent administration.
- bNAbs offer advantages over existing ART in preventing HIV transmission and HIV treatment where poor adherence or highly resistant virus are present.
- VRC01 is a bNAb that binds to CD4 binding site of gp120
- VRC01 is potent
  - $IC_{50} < 1$  mcg/mL neutralized 72% tested isolates
  - $IC_{50} < 50$  mcg/mL neutralized 91% tested isolates



CD4 binding site on gp120 is functionally conserved: All viruses must bind CD4

**Aim: Develop a population PK model in infants and adults**

# Approach

**Develop a popPK model of VRC01 in adults living with and without HIV**



**Expand model to include infant data**



**Use final model to predict infant exposures using Monte Carlo Simulations**

# Methods

- PK data from 3 studies were combined (VRC601, VRC602, P1112)
- NONMEM version 7.3 FOCEI method
  - 2-compartment model
  - Evaluated rate of subcutaneous (SC) absorption
  - Allometric scaling exponent was used to account for subject size on clearance and volume of distribution<sup>1</sup>
    - $CL = \left(\frac{WT}{70}\right)^{0.85}$  ;  $Q = \left(\frac{WT}{70}\right)^{0.85}$  ;  $V1, V2 = \left(\frac{WT}{70}\right)^1$
  - Covariates evaluated using univariate followed by multivariate assessment
  - Model validation using bootstrap with 1000 iterations
  - Monte Carlo Simulations of 1000 virtual infants were used to predict VRC01 concentrations following repeat SC administration

# VRC01 Studies

	VRC601 <sup>1</sup> (N = 23)	VRC602 <sup>2</sup> (N = 23)	P1112 <sup>3</sup> (N = 27)
<b>Study Population</b>	HIV positive adults	HIV negative adults	Infants exposed to HIV
<b>IV Administration (N)</b>	1 mg/kg (3) 5 mg/kg (3) 20 mg/kg (3) 40 mg/kg (11)	5 mg/kg (5) 20 mg/kg (8) 40 mg/kg (5)	N/A
<b>SC Administration (N)</b>	5 mg/kg (3)	5 mg/kg (5)	20 mg/kg (13) 40 mg/kg (14)
<b>PK Sampling</b>	Hour: 0, 1, 2, 4, 8, 12, 24 Day: 2, 3, 7, 14, 21, 28, 35, 42, 49, 56, 85, 140**	Hour: 0, 1, 2, 4, 8, 12, 24 Day: 2, 3, 7, 14, 21, 28, 56**	Day: 1, 3, 7, 14, 28, 56, 112, 168
<b>Doses Received (1/2)</b>	10/13	3/20	27/0
<b>Age*</b>	31 years (21, 64)	34 years (21, 48)	1.7 days (0, 3)
<b>Weight (kg)*</b>	83.8 (57.6, 115.0)	77.6 (58.5, 104.0)	3.1 (2.2, 4.4)

Abbreviations: IV = intravenous, SC = subcutaneous, mg = milligrams, kg = kilograms

\*Median (range) at enrollment

\*\*PK sample drawn only after second dose administration

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# Adult VRC01 PopPK Model Parameters

	Final Parameter
Θ1 (V1)	2.30
Θ2 (V2)	5.05
Θ3 (CL)	0.0168
Θ4 (Q)	0.0548
Θ5 (KA)	0.39
Θ6 (F1)	0.612
Θ7 (R1)	0.00669
Θ8 (WTKG on V <sub>ss</sub> )	0.733
Θ9 (HIV on CL)	1.52
<b>IIV</b>	
IIV on V <sub>ss</sub>	21.8%
IIV on CL	24.3%
IIV on R1	47.2%
<b>Proportional</b>	
Proportional	19.7%
<b>Additive</b>	
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## Abbreviations:

IIV = interindividual variability; V<sub>ss</sub> = steady state volume of distribution

## Equations:

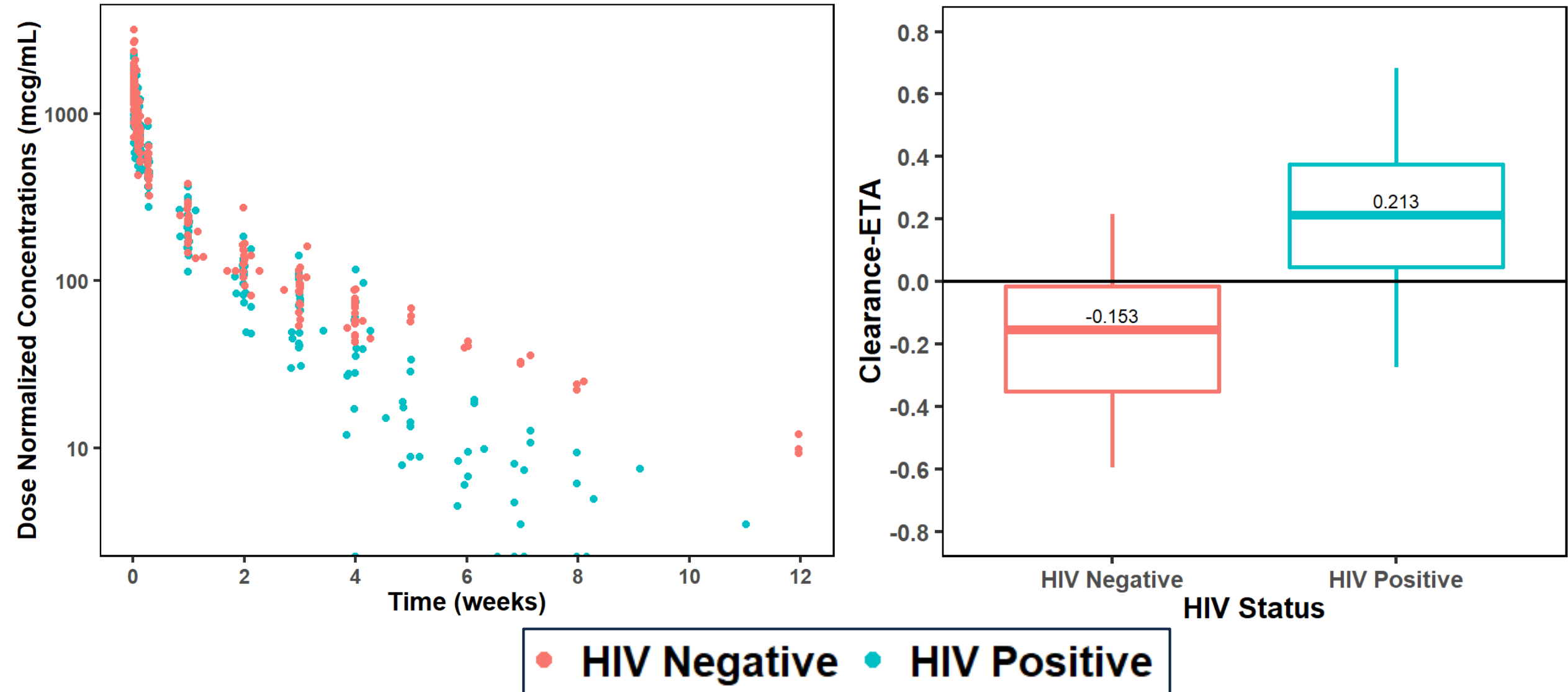
$$CL \text{ (L/h)} = 0.0168 \times 1.52 \text{ (if HIV Positive)}$$

$$V_1 \text{ (L)} = 2.30 \times \left( \frac{WT}{78.5} \right)^{0.733}$$

$$V_2 \text{ (L)} = 5.05 \times \left( \frac{WT}{78.5} \right)^{0.733}$$

- HIV positive adults have higher clearance compared to HIV negative adults
- Higher weight increased the volumes of distribution

# Effect of HIV Status on VRC01 PK in Adults





# Final Adult-Infant VRC01 PopPK Model Parameters

	Final Parameter ± Standard Error	Bootstrap Estimates Median (95% CI)
Θ1 (V1)	2.14 ± 0.0904	2.14 (1.93, 2.33)
Θ2 (V2)	4.72 ± 0.241	4.72 (4.16, 5.24)
Θ3 (CL)	0.016 ± 0.00080	0.016 (0.0142, 0.0176)
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Θ8 (infant on CL)	0.283 ± 0.0287	0.283 (0.231, 0.344)
Θ9 (infant on R)	2.90 ± 0.507	3.55 (2.26, 9.15)
Θ10 (HIV on CL)	1.44 ± 0.115	1.44 (1.23, 1.68)
<b>Variability (η)</b>		
IIV on V <sub>ss</sub>	23.2% ± 2.6%	22.1% (16.5%, 27.6%)
IIV on CL	30.0% ± 2.9%	29.4% (23.4%, 31.5%)
IIV on R1	28.3% ± 8.9%	32.1% (0.3%, 89.9%)
<b>Error (ε)</b>		
Proportional	21.7% ± 1.1%	21.8% (19.7%, 24.7%)
Additive	0.808 ± 0.144	0.812, (0.414, 1.097)

## Equations:

$$CL(L/h) = 0.016 \times \left(\frac{WT}{70}\right)^{0.85} \times 0.283 \text{ (if infant)} \times 1.44 \text{ (if HIV positive)}$$

$$V_1(L) = 2.14 \times \left(\frac{WT}{70}\right)$$

$$V_2(L) = 4.72 \times \left(\frac{WT}{70}\right)$$

$$Q(L/h) = 0.0483 \times \left(\frac{WT}{70}\right)^{0.85}$$

$$R = 0.00702 \times 2.9 \text{ (if infant)} \times \text{Dose}$$

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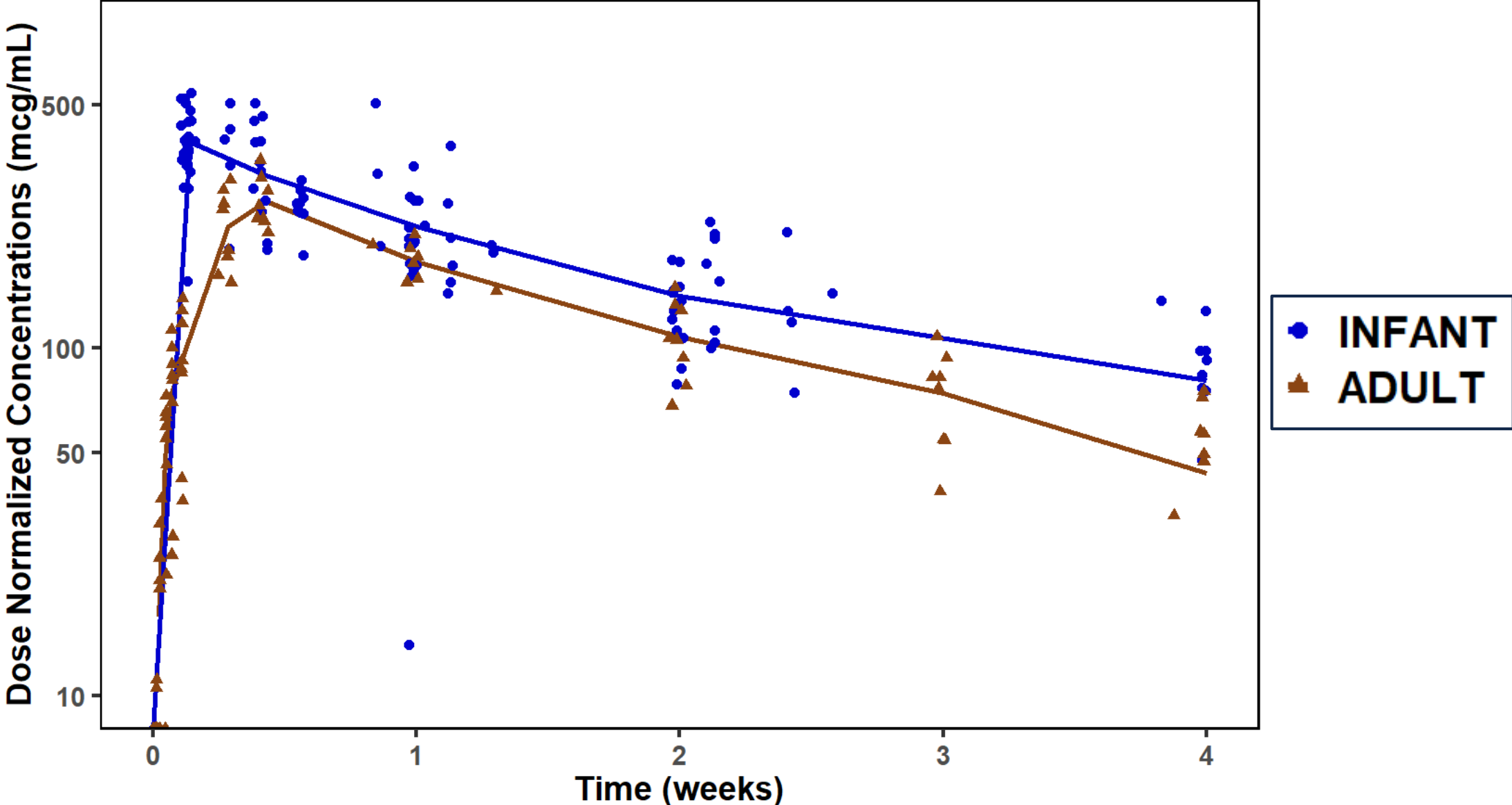
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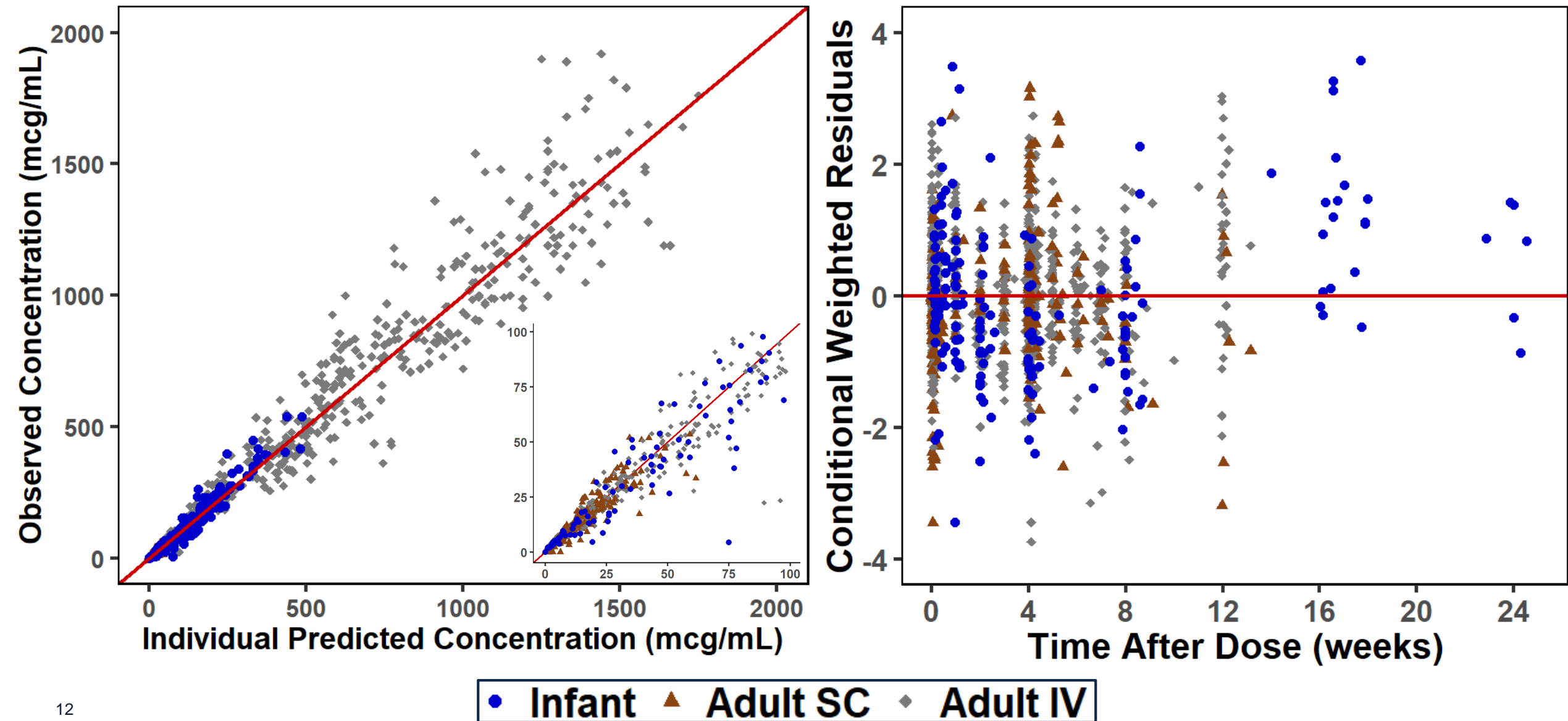
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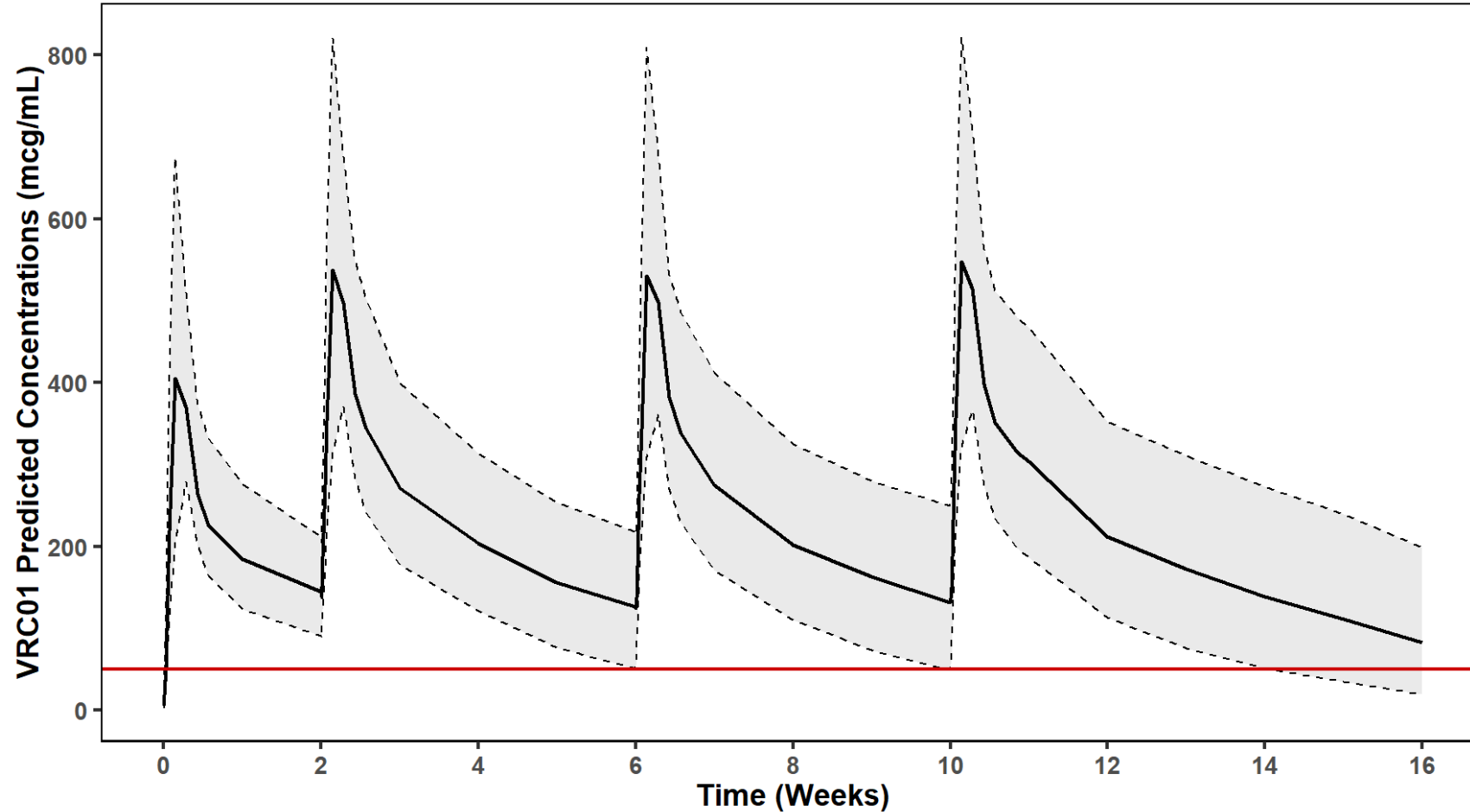
# Initial VRC01 Concentrations Following SC Administration in Adults and Infants



# Adult-Infant VRC01 PopPK Model Goodness of Fit



# Monte Carlo Simulation of Repeat SC Dosing in HIV Positive Infants



VRC01 dosing regimen

- 40 mg/kg SC administered at Weeks 0, 2, 6, and 10

Goal: Maintain average VRC01 concentrations above 50 mcg/mL for first 16 weeks

## Simulated VRC01 Trough Concentrations (mcg/mL)

	Week 2	Week 6	Week 10	Week 14
Median	137.7	124.8	131.9	138.5
2.5%	87.8	50.8	49.2	51.0

# Conclusions

- VRC01 demonstrated higher clearance in adults with HIV compared to adults without HIV
- VRC01 has good absorption following SC administration
- Infants have lower apparent clearance and more rapid SC absorption of VRC01 than adults
- Monte Carlo Simulations suggest an infant dose 40 mg/kg SC every 4 weeks will maintain suppressive plasma concentrations of >50 mcg/mL

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