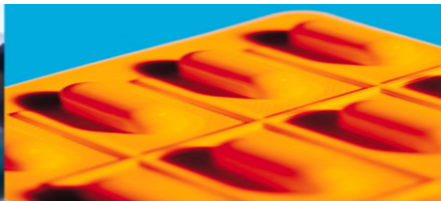


CiPA- Regulatory considerations/ Next steps

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Challenges/ Regulatory considerations

1. “Construct” of the CiPA package
 - What and How different from S7B/ E-14 (?)
2. Cross-Validation - of the package including proposed cutoffs
 - Experience with different data sets..
3. Implementation of methodology..
 - Industry engagement and uptake for routine
4. Labelling & HCP Communication
 - Labelling
 - Enhance understanding

CiPA as a “package”

- What it does it include and are all components mandatory ?
 - i.e., in silico, myocyte and clinical ECG



Need a decision tree

- Where applicable--- Discovery, Screening or further development?
- Sufficiently adaptive for internal as well as regulatory decision making
- Provides some flexibility of approach but largely standardised
- Ideally should avoid repetition of experiments e.g.,



When might CiPA assessment be useful?

- The biggest opportunity in early phase development lies in identifying risk from compounds that have poor channel selectivity (hERG) but have an important therapeutic potential.
 - hERG positive (narrow safety margin)
 - have effects on other channels – that may or may not be beneficial in all therapeutic contexts.
 - Prolong QTc in in vivo animal studies

- Second- in defining risk of arrhythmia and providing a more comprehensive grading –and managing risk communication to health care professionals.

Sponsor uptake

Uptake by sponsors of CiPA and its advantages

Need prospective data to evaluate utility.

SPS survey 2017

56 % very familiar with S7B

~40% NOT familiar with E-14

61% incorporate Ion channel elements of currently

31% use stem cell approaches

21% (only) use in silico modelling parameters



Need to overcome
some of the barriers

Some thoughts on Validation

- Robust testing method that is transferable to external laboratories/ personnel
- Standardise protocols across different laboratories
- Experiments should conform to GLP standards for Regulatory purposes
- **Have we studied enough compounds (variety) to gain comfort and confidence?**

Some validation methods (e.g., ROC curves) could be very sensitive to errors in gold standard classifications

- Opportunity for standardized protocols that can be adopted early in development
- Facilitates comparison of drug properties generating risk metrics and Perhaps aid regulators to compare drug potencies and therefore anticipate effects early
- Better translation of effects to human model.

But;

- The quality of ion channel data is critical.
- **Experience from a wider sponsor group and sets of databases** is needed.
- Need better understanding of effect of risk classification on other and subsequent studies.

CiPA: Myocyte component

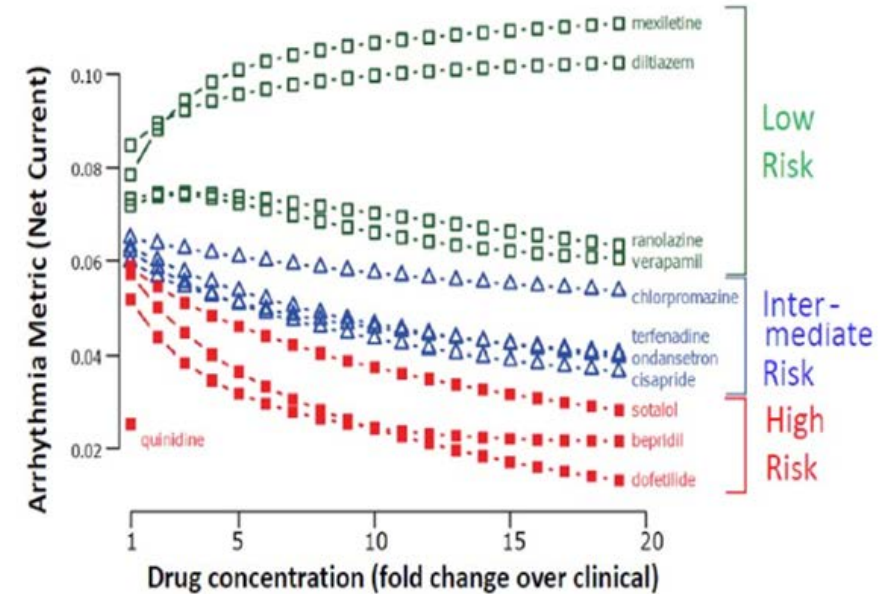
- Offers advantage of routine testing of compounds with a ready supply of established cells using standardized parameters/ methods.
- May obviate need for animal testing, selection of animal model and interspecies differences.
- Higher throughput than animal tissues based approaches.

However;

- Channel expression differences across cell lines,
- May underestimate effect on certain channels (limited reproducibility
- False negative findings that may arise from limited experience of certain technologies.

Difficult areas

- Risk classification- low / intermediate / high risk
 - Cut off values for risk stratification e.g., proximity of Low and intermediate risk (verapamil & chlorpromazine)
 - Discordance and false negatives (e.g., Beperidil in myocyte /IPS-CM assays)
 - Limited predictivity for some channel effects in certain CiPA experiments (e.g.- late Na & hIPSc-CM)
 - Difficulties with classification of Diltiazem
- For prospective evaluations, these do present an issue for sponsors and regulators



Clinical Phase & new BMs-- where to?

- J-T peak or QTc
 - Reproducibility & interpretation
We need experience from different data sets to determine feasibility, reproducibility & applicability across wide range of compounds e.g. Dolasetron
 - Where does this fit with CR approaches?

Challenge is to obtain clarity of relative merits of ECG biomarkers **& the advantages!**

Can we develop the other parts of CiPA to limit the need for clinical phase ECGs?

True Challenge of a MIC blocker?

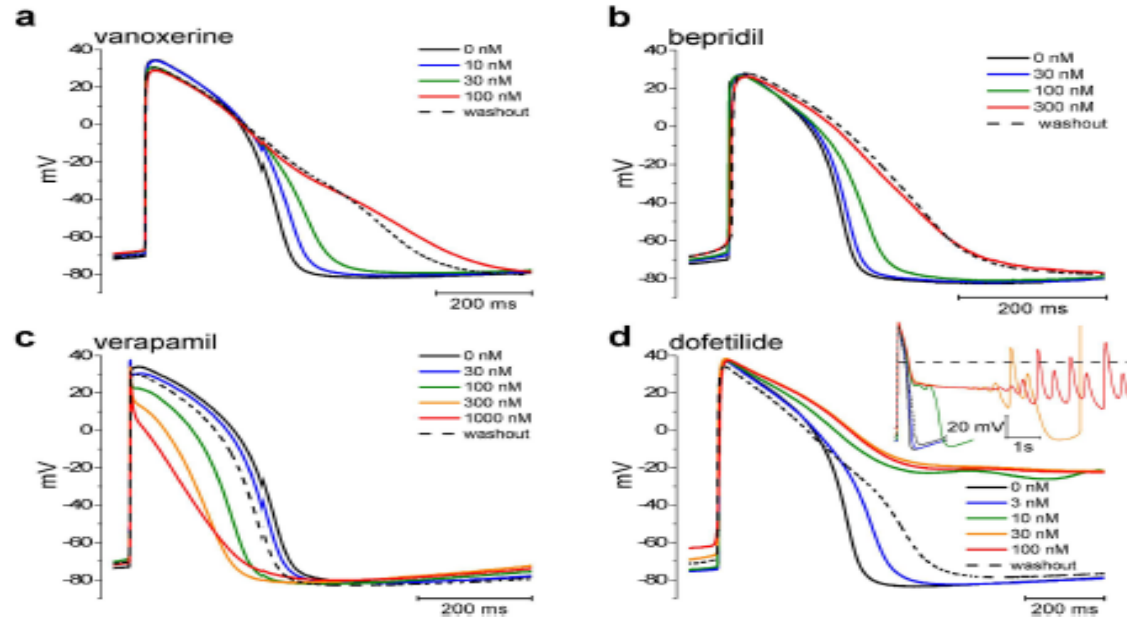


Figure 3. Effect of vanoxerine, bepridil, dofetilide and verapamil on spontaneously beating SC-CMAPs. Spontaneous frequency was -1 Hz. Note the reduction in action potential amplitude in vanoxerine, bepridil and verapamil and the depolarization of the maximum diastolic potential membrane potential in dofetilide.

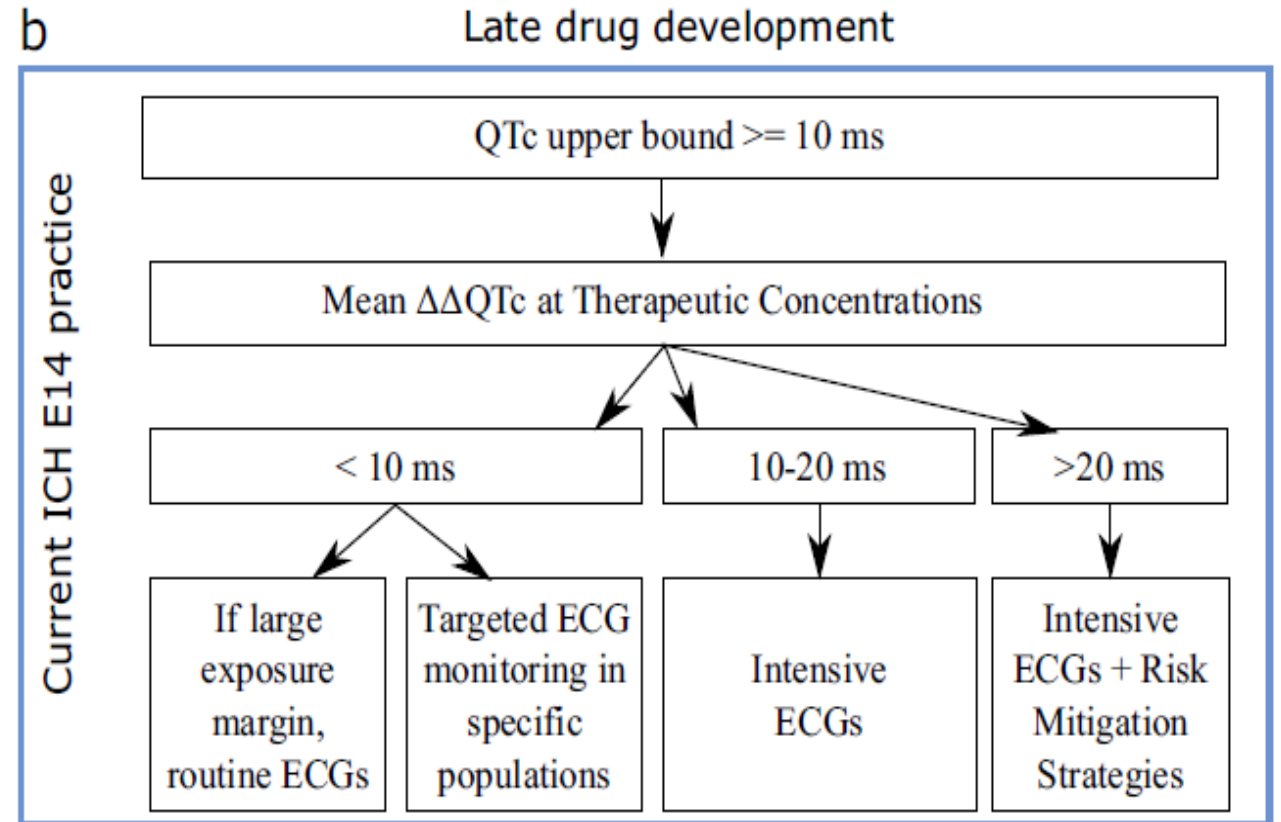
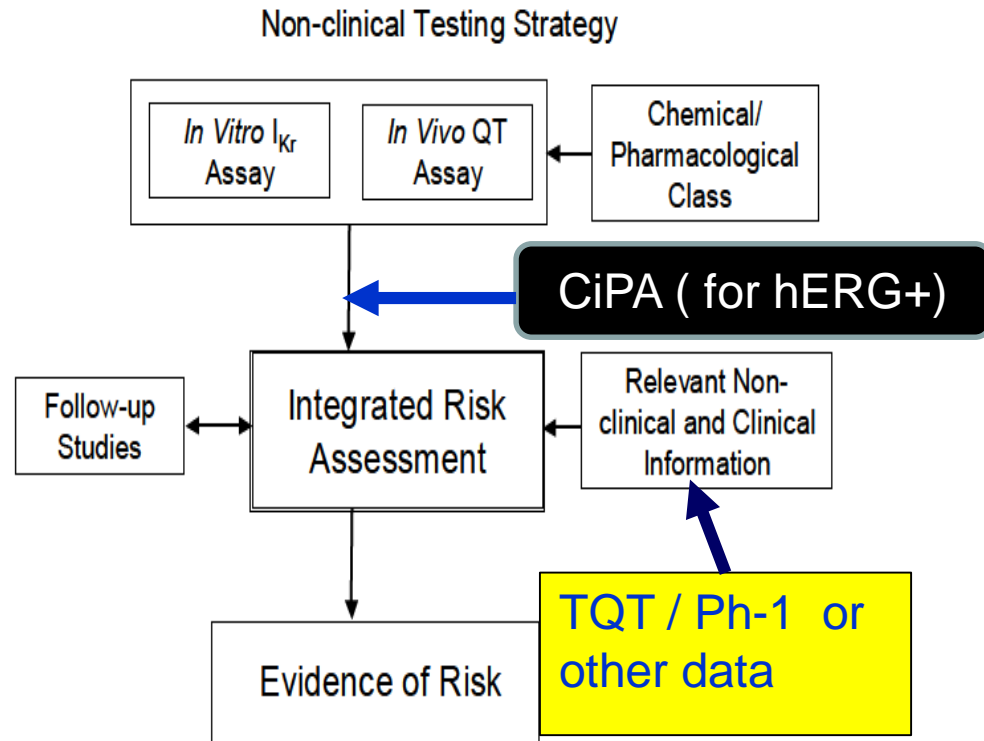
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CONCLUSION Vanoxerine is an oral, mixed ion channel blocker with I_{Kr} , I_{NaP} and L-type calcium channel activity. While oral therapy with 400 mg of vanoxerine appears effective for the termination of recent onset AF/AFL, its use was associated with a significant risk of ventricular proarrhythmia in patients with SHD.

No reported TQT study.

How does CiPA identify such issues prospectively?

Decision trees



We should look for an integrated decision tree!

Next Steps;

1. Encourage (more) sponsors to share experiences
2. Cross validation (?!)
3. Relative positioning – including advantages
 - Integration with S7B/E14
4. Internal deliberations (Regulatory groups)
5. Presentation of data to ICH Discussion group (started)
6. Discussion at ICH IWG.
 - Update S7B/ E-14 or new multidisciplinary guidance?

Thank you for listening.

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