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Annex E1 Benchmark dose modelling reports

Relative increase of the background incidence after adjustment for confounders by 5%¹

Annex E1 provides a comprehensive overview of the benchmark dose (BMD) analyses carried out for the critical studies, employing the model averaging technique. The BMD analyses were conducted in accordance with the EFSA BMD guidance (EFSA Scientific Committee, 2022).

E1.1 Selection of the BMR

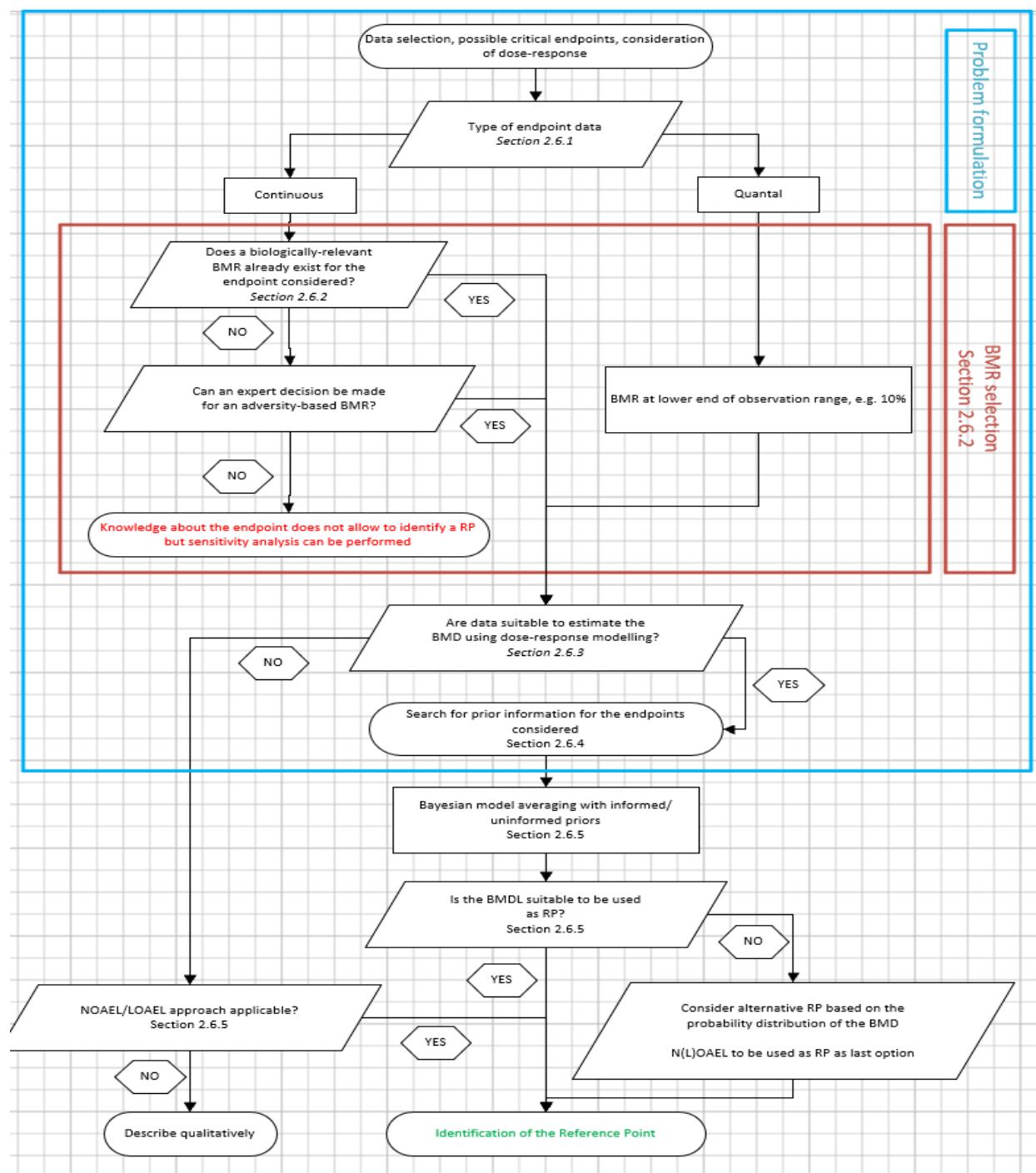
The BMD is identified as the specific dose that corresponds to the desired BMR level. To assess the uncertainty associated with the BMD, a 90% confidence interval is estimated, with the lower bound denoted as BMDL and the upper bound as BMDU. The BMDL and BMDU values help to quantify the range within which the true BMD value is expected to lie.

As BMR the CONTAM Panel decided to use a relative increase of the background incidence after adjustment for confounders by 5%¹.

E1.2 Software Used

Results are obtained using the EFSA web-tool for Bayesian BMD analysis, which uses the R-package [BMABMDR] version 0.0.0.9057/0.0.0.9060/0.0.0.9073 for the underlying calculations.

¹ Exceptions: For continuous endpoints including the studies of Parvez et al. (2013) on FEV1 and FVC, Siddique et al. (2020) on FEV1 and FEV6 and Vahter et al. (2020), an extra risk of 5% was applied.



Flowchart to derive a Reference Point (RP) from a dose-response dataset of a specified endpoint, using BMD analysis. Figure from EFSA BMD guidance (EFSA Scientific Committee, 2022).

E1.3 BMD modelling reports

Ahsan et al. (2006) skin lesions, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for skin lesions

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
1.22	51	2259
2.76	90	2122
5.60	143	2202
10.18	171	2185
19.64	239	2183

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.00115489.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.02144754; the most likely: 0.02257636; max: 0.02370518. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

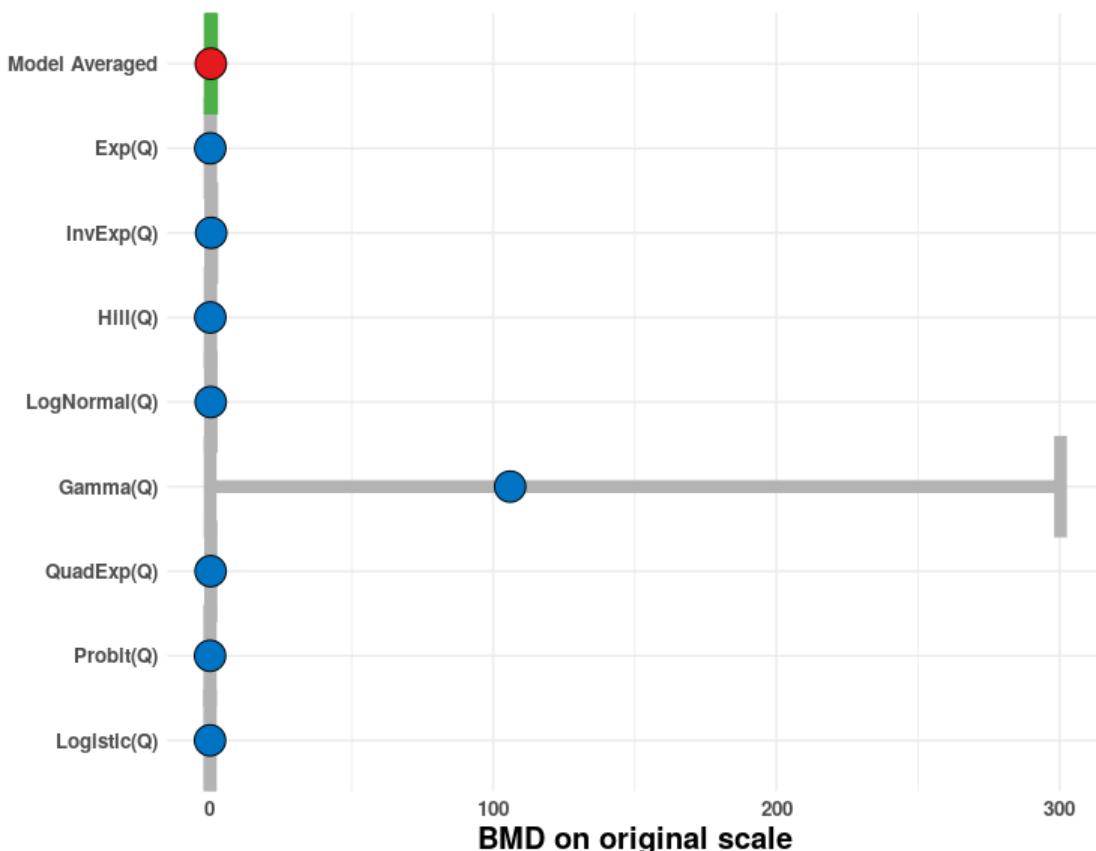
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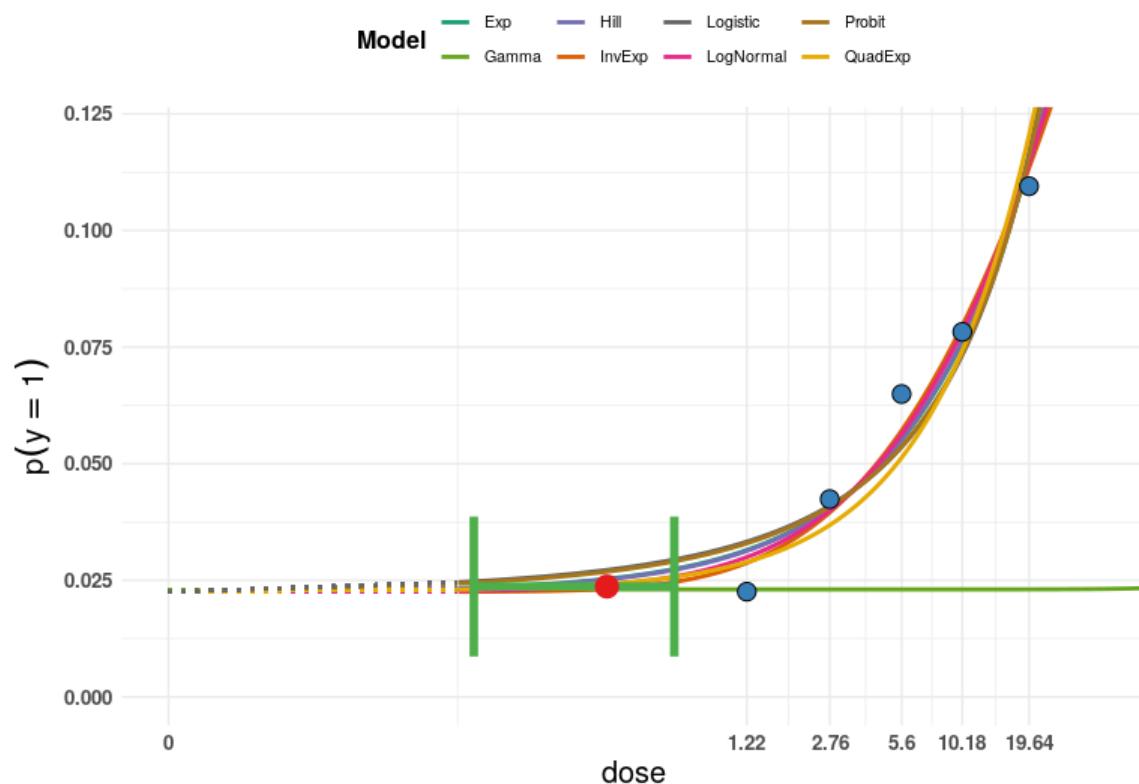
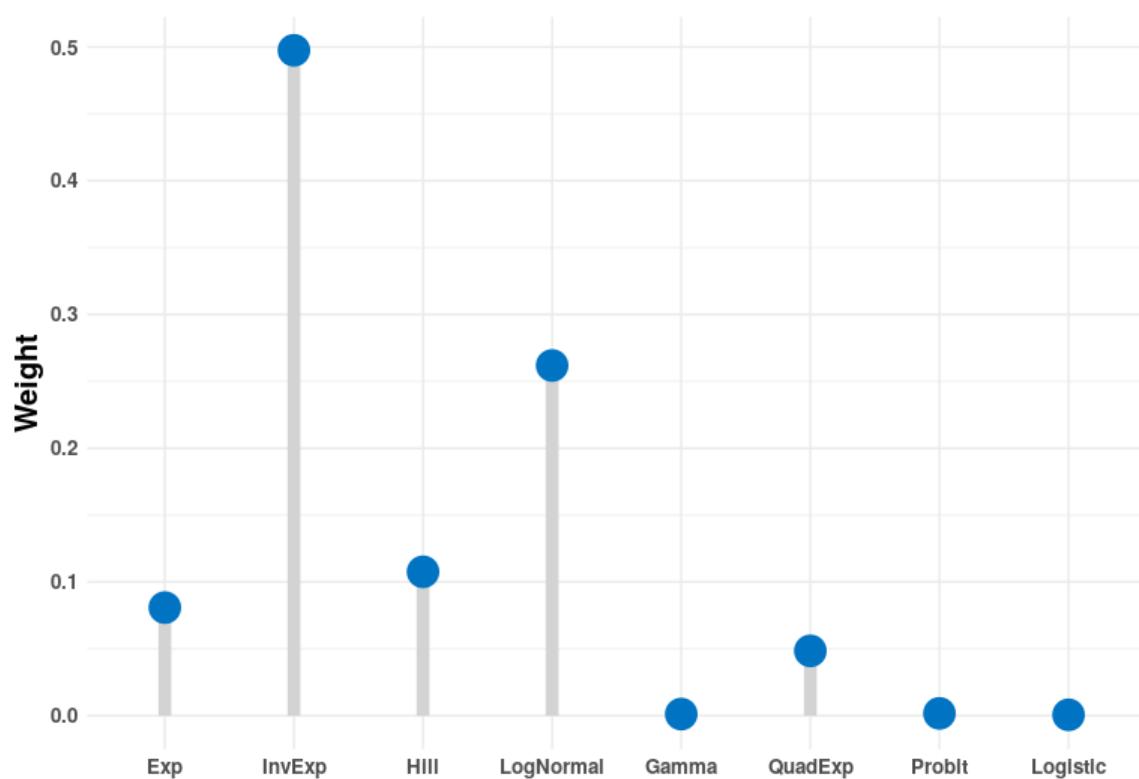
Model Averaged BMD

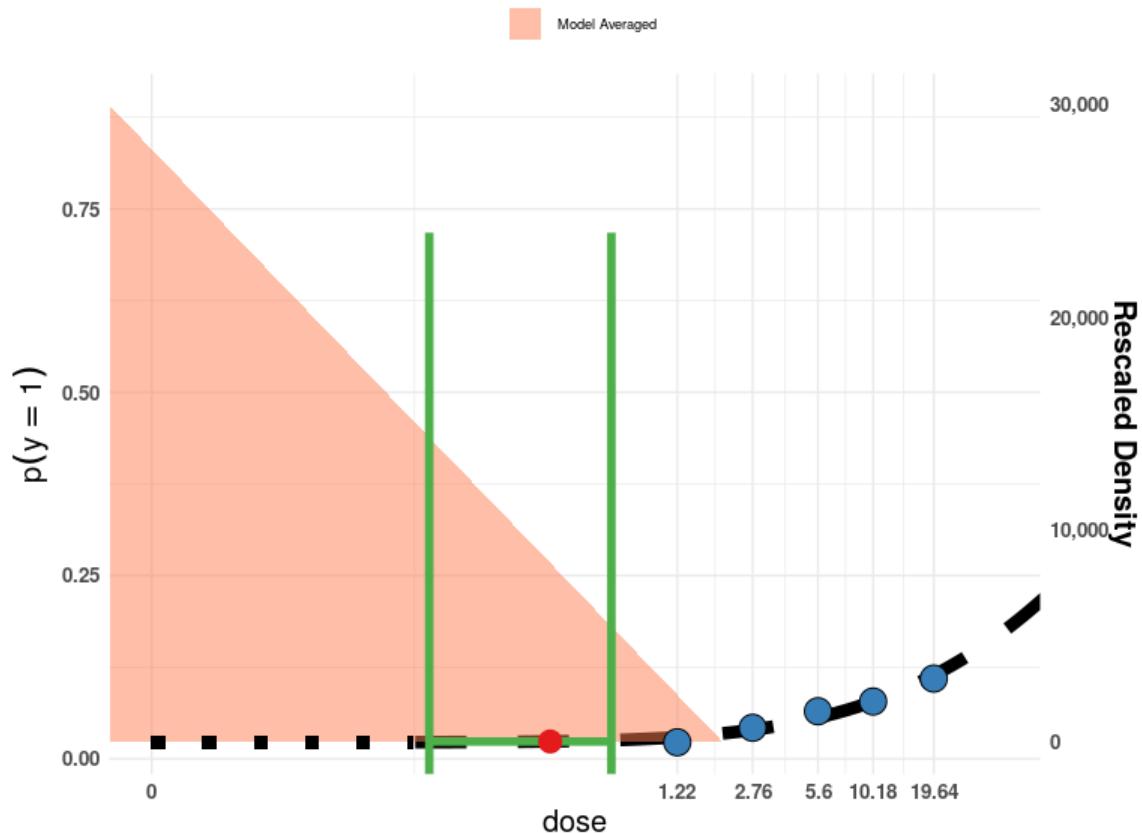
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.083	0.308	0.597

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.047	0.107	0.206	0.081	1
IE4_Q	0.252	0.419	0.652	0.497	1
H4_Q	0.055	0.117	0.225	0.108	1
LN4_Q	0.137	0.258	0.428	0.262	1
G4_Q	0.065	105.978	300.296	0.001	0
QE4_Q	0.198	0.218	0.247	0.048	1
P4_Q	0.011	0.033	0.075	0.002	1
L4_Q	0.008	0.024	0.058	0.001	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Chen et al. (2010a) lung cancer, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for lung cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.927	48	2288
2.288	48	2093
4.743	19	907
11.561	29	909
17.018	33	691

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.00107143.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.02076923; the most likely: 0.02097902; max: 0.02118881. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

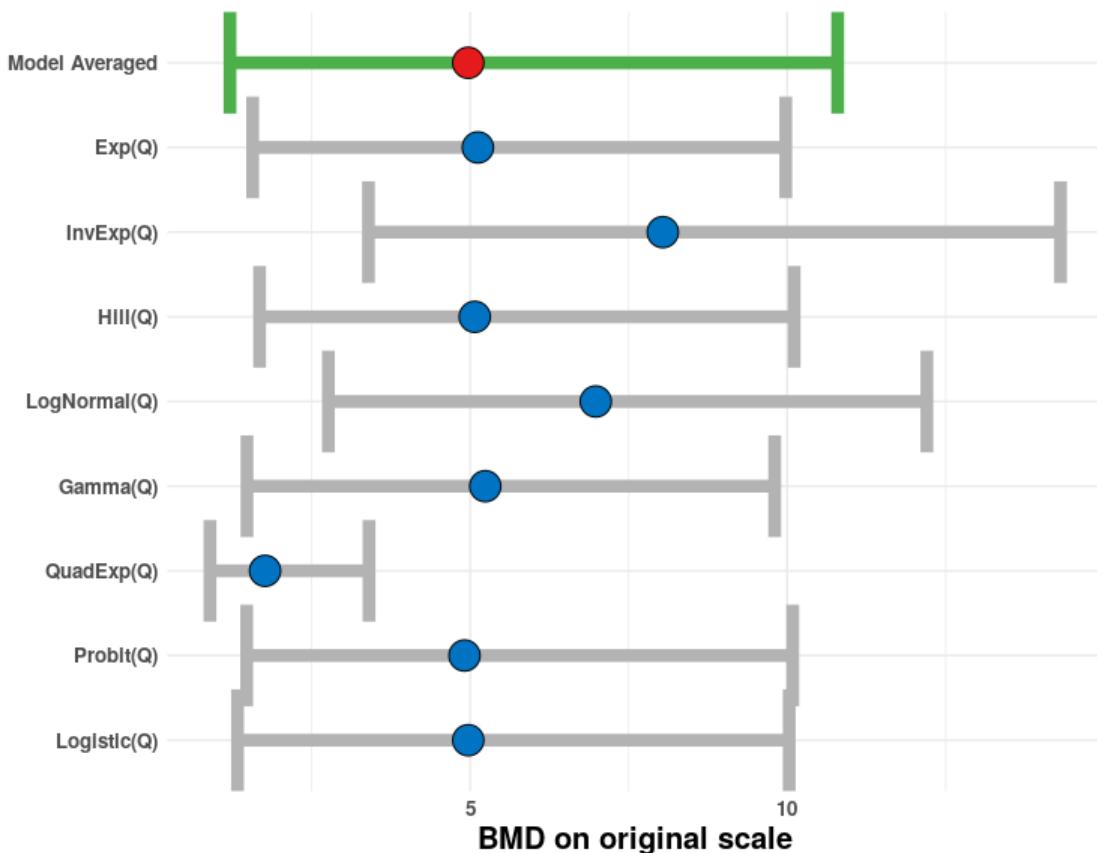
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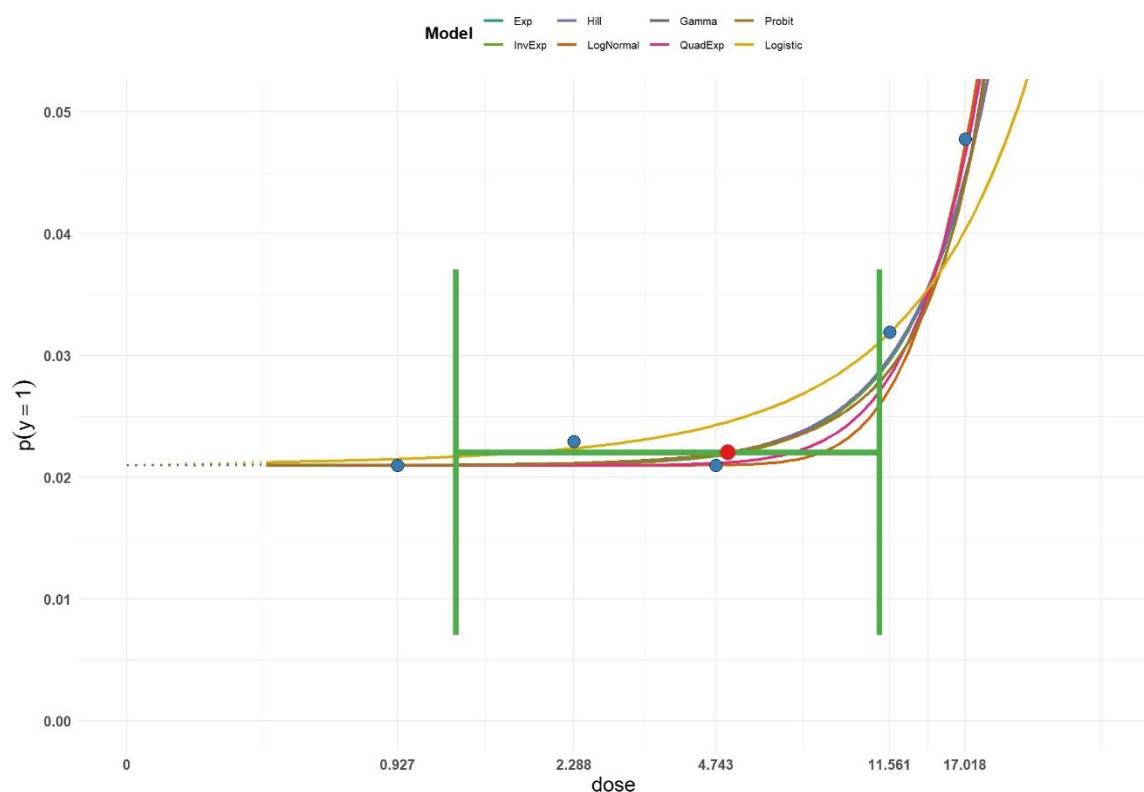
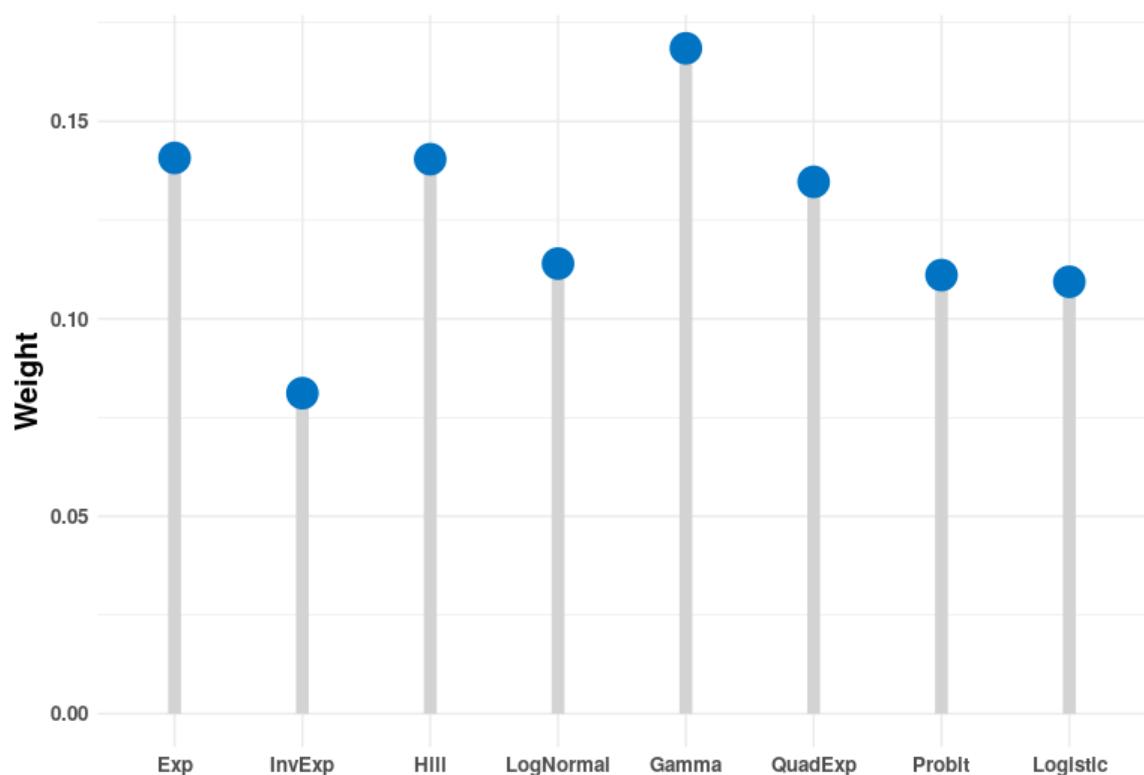
Model Averaged BMD

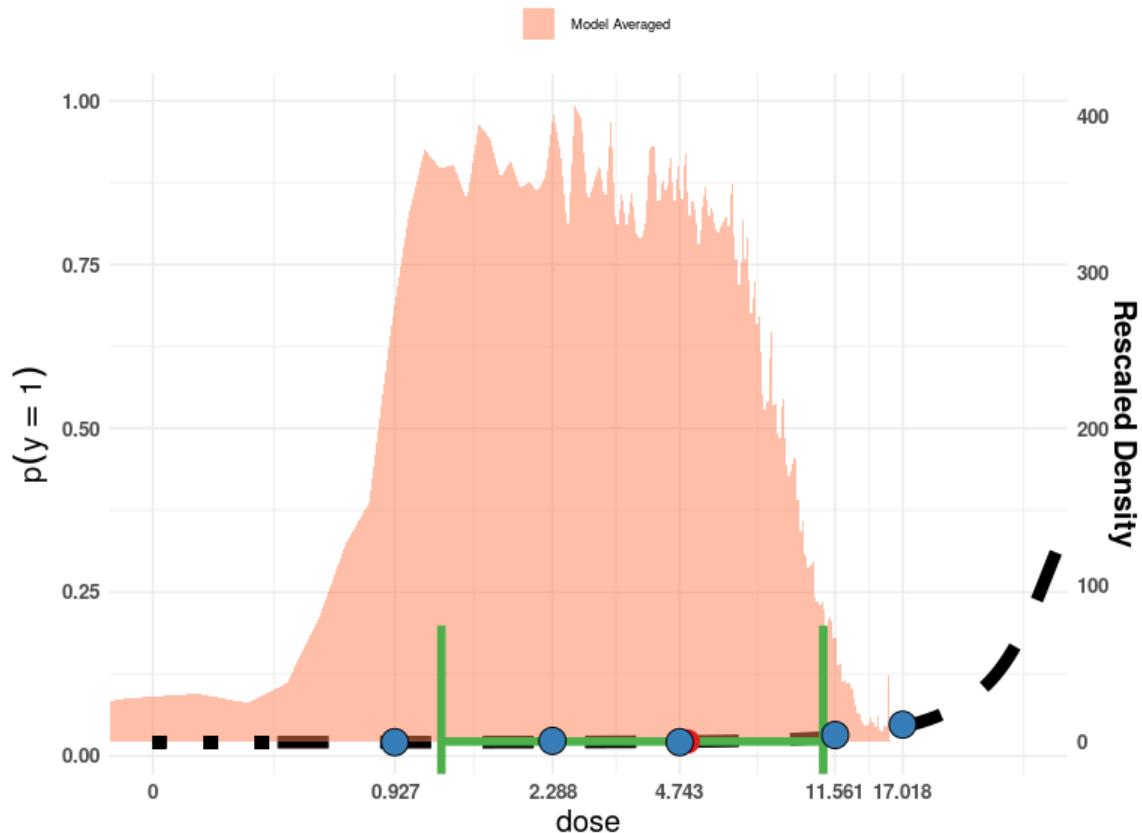
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	1.21	4.969	10.797

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	1.568	5.121	9.977	0.141	1
IE4_Q	3.395	8.038	14.312	0.081	1
H4_Q	1.678	5.072	10.110	0.140	1
LN4_Q	2.763	6.980	12.204	0.114	1
G4_Q	1.479	5.237	9.803	0.168	1
QE4_Q	0.895	1.764	3.404	0.135	1
P4_Q	1.474	4.910	10.088	0.111	1
L4_Q	1.329	4.969	10.032	0.109	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Chen et al. (2010b) bladder cancer, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for bladder cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.927	3	2288
2.288	5	2093
4.743	3	907
11.561	7	909
17.018	11	691

The 'Value for CES' is set to 6.565e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00111451; the most likely: 0.00131119; max: 0.00150787. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

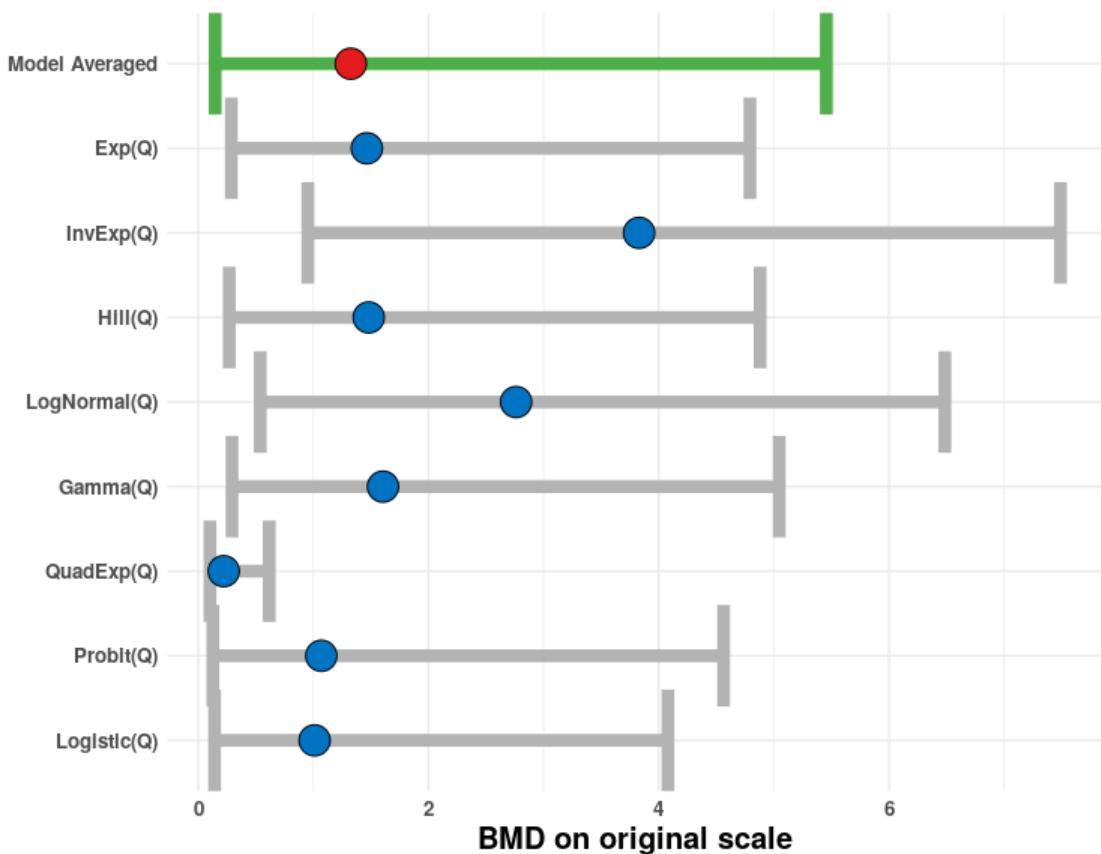
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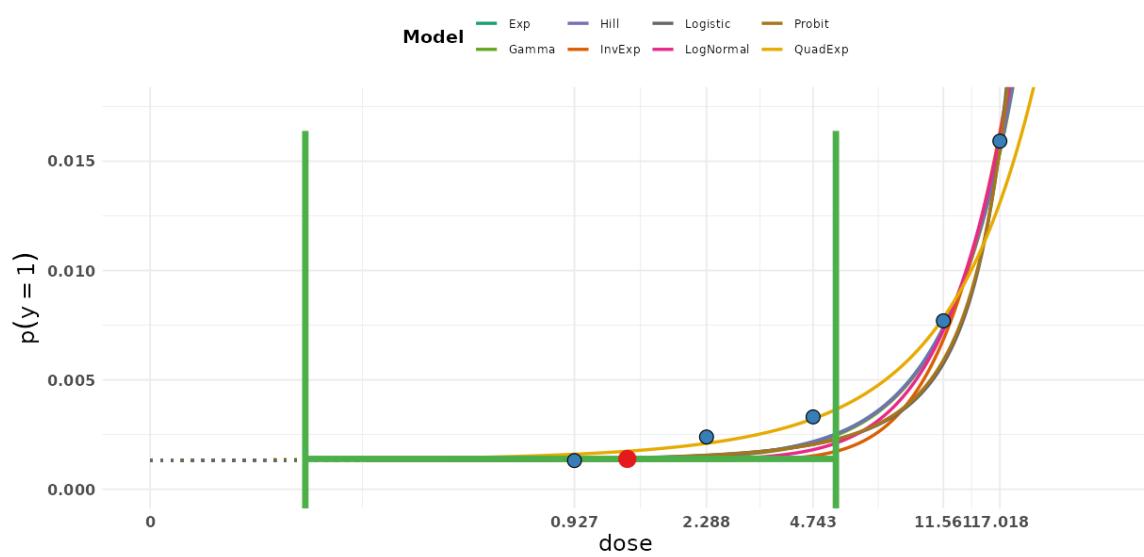
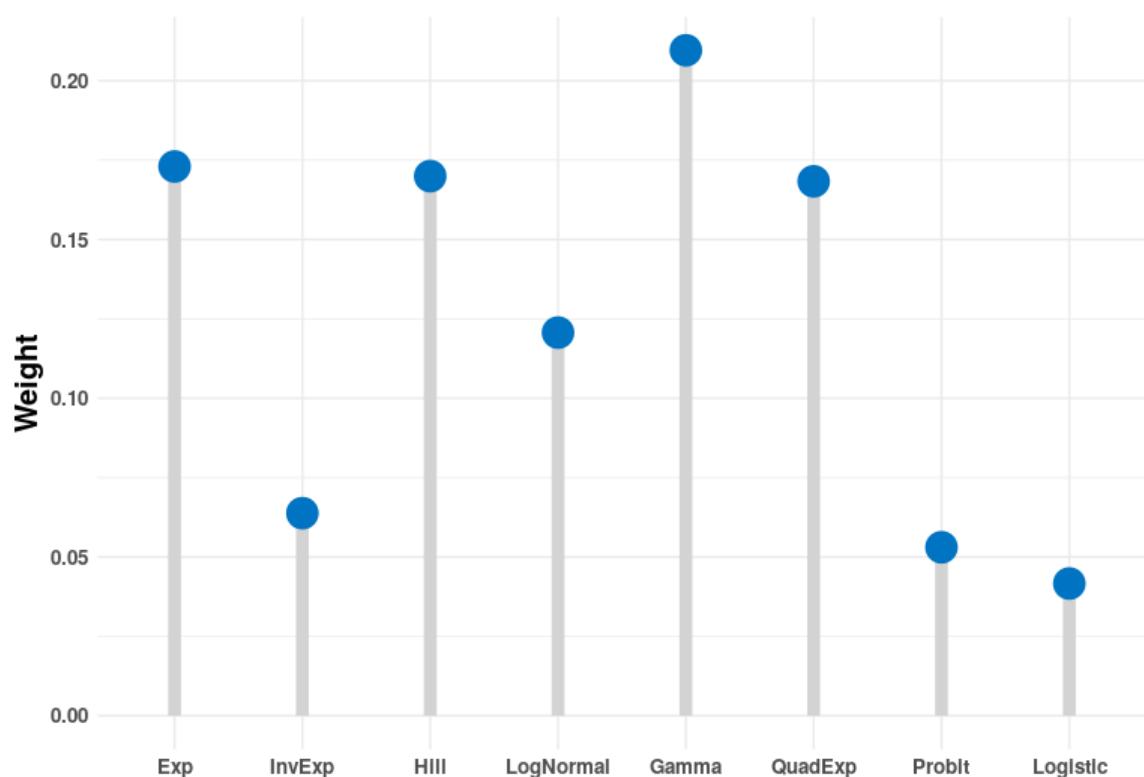
Model Averaged BMD

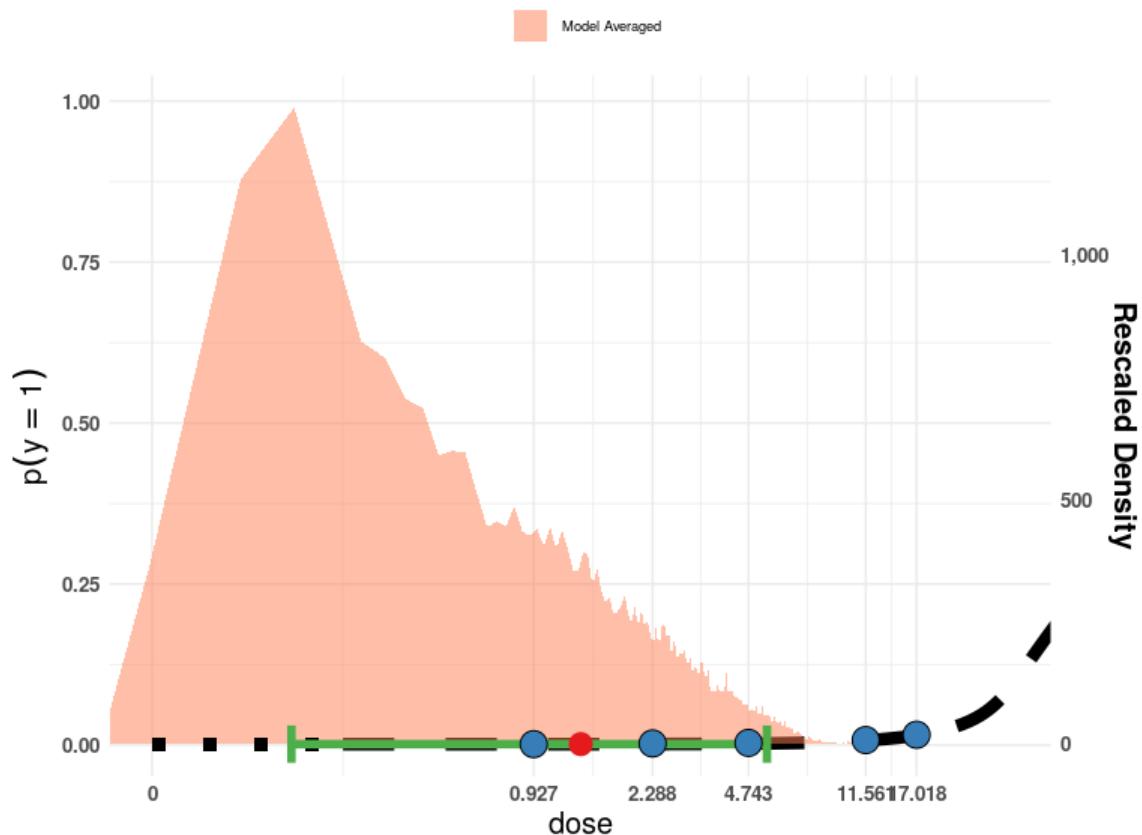
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.147	1.325	5.456

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.287	1.465	4.792	0.173	1
IE4_Q	0.952	3.829	7.490	0.064	1
H4_Q	0.270	1.481	4.881	0.170	1
LN4_Q	0.539	2.761	6.486	0.121	1
G4_Q	0.294	1.605	5.047	0.210	1
QE4_Q	0.102	0.221	0.617	0.168	1
P4_Q	0.127	1.069	4.564	0.053	1
L4_Q	0.142	1.011	4.080	0.042	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Chen et al. (2010b) bladder cancer, relative BMR 5%

Sensitivity analysis: The highest exposure point estimate doubled

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for bladder cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.927	3	2288
2.288	5	2093
4.743	3	907
11.561	7	909
33.382	11	691

The 'Value for CES' is set to 6.565e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00111451; the most likely: 0.00131119; max: 0.00150787. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

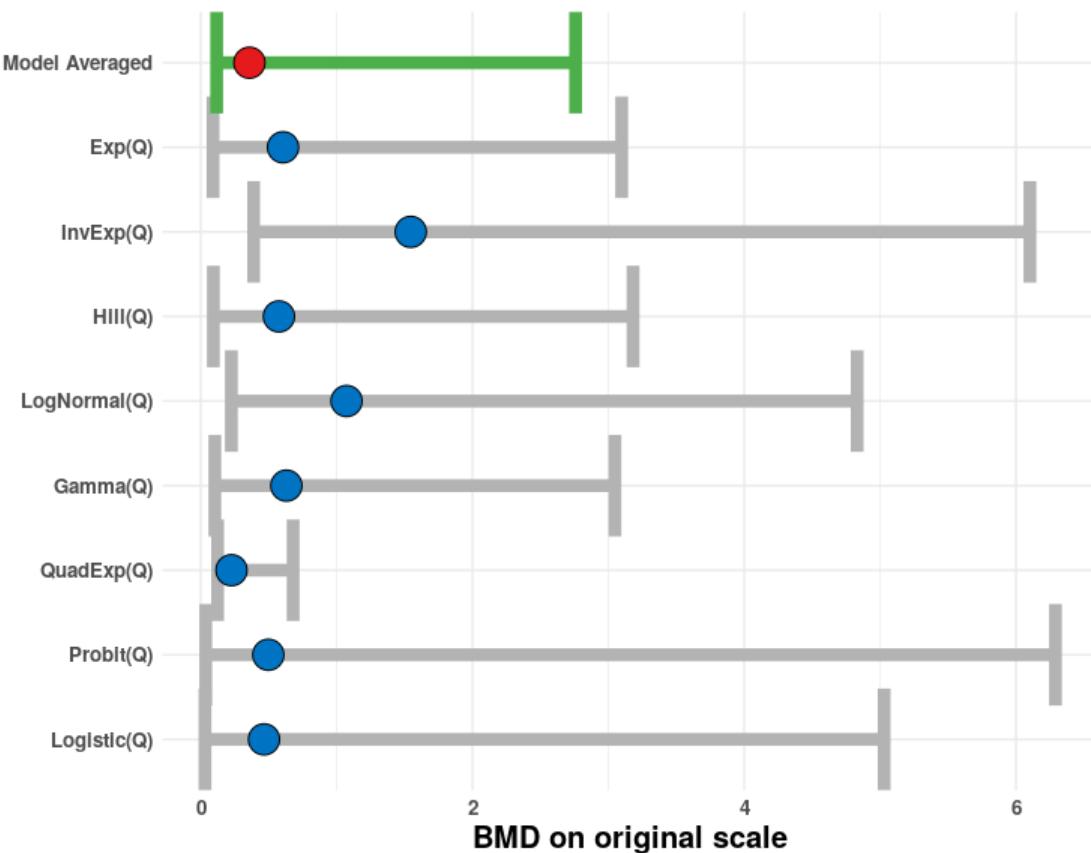
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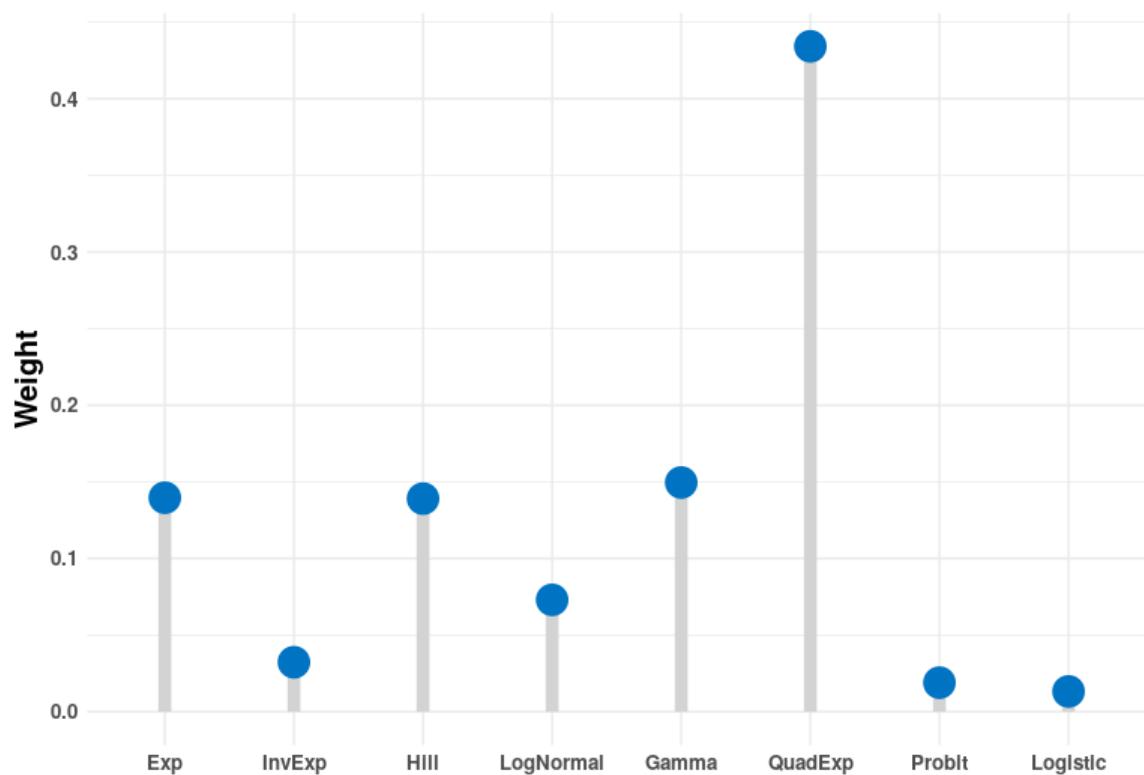
Model Averaged BMD

Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.117	0.358	2.759

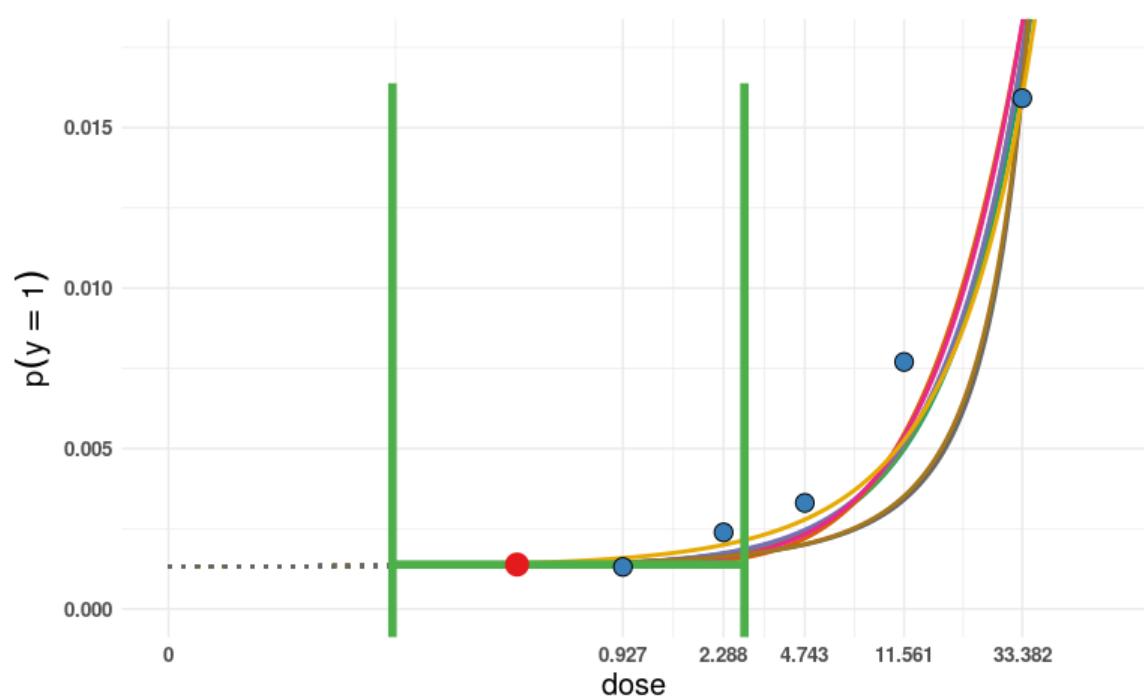
Estimated BMDs per model

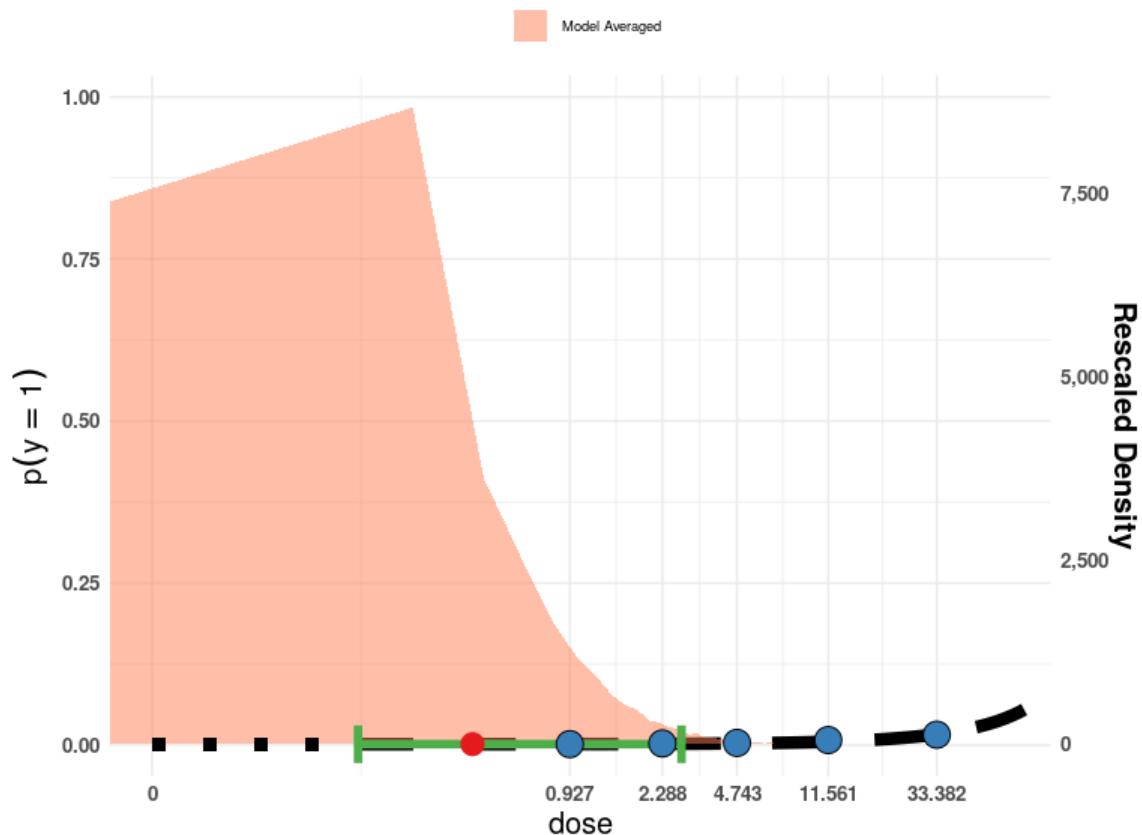
Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.091	0.606	3.098	0.140	1
IE4_Q	0.389	1.546	6.102	0.032	1
H4_Q	0.093	0.576	3.182	0.139	1
LN4_Q	0.225	1.073	4.831	0.073	1
G4_Q	0.104	0.631	3.048	0.150	1
QE4_Q	0.124	0.226	0.680	0.434	1
P4_Q	0.037	0.498	6.290	0.019	1
L4_Q	0.031	0.466	5.029	0.013	1

Plots of Fitted Models



Model Exp Hill Logistic Probit
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Cherry et al. (2008) stillbirth, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for stillbirth

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
1.45	492	16860
3.24	386	10669
4.73	177	3455

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.00150293.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.02888968; the most likely: 0.02918149; max: 0.02947331. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

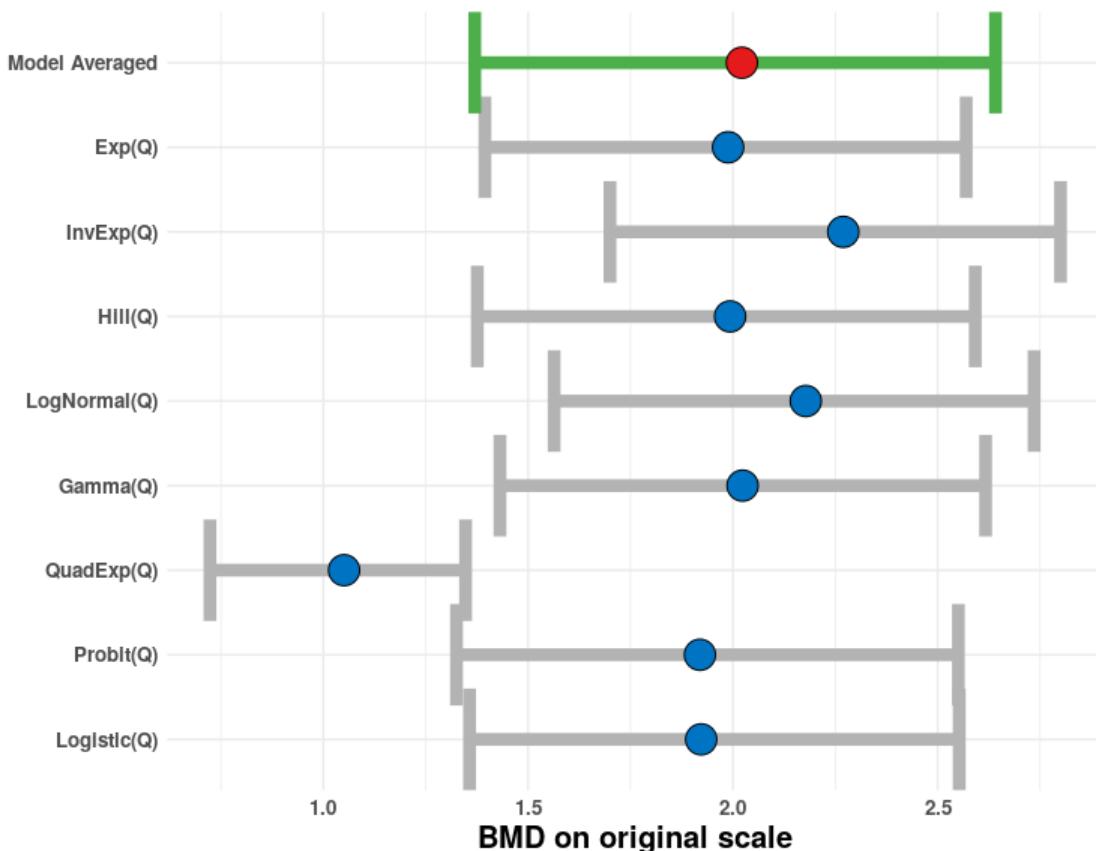
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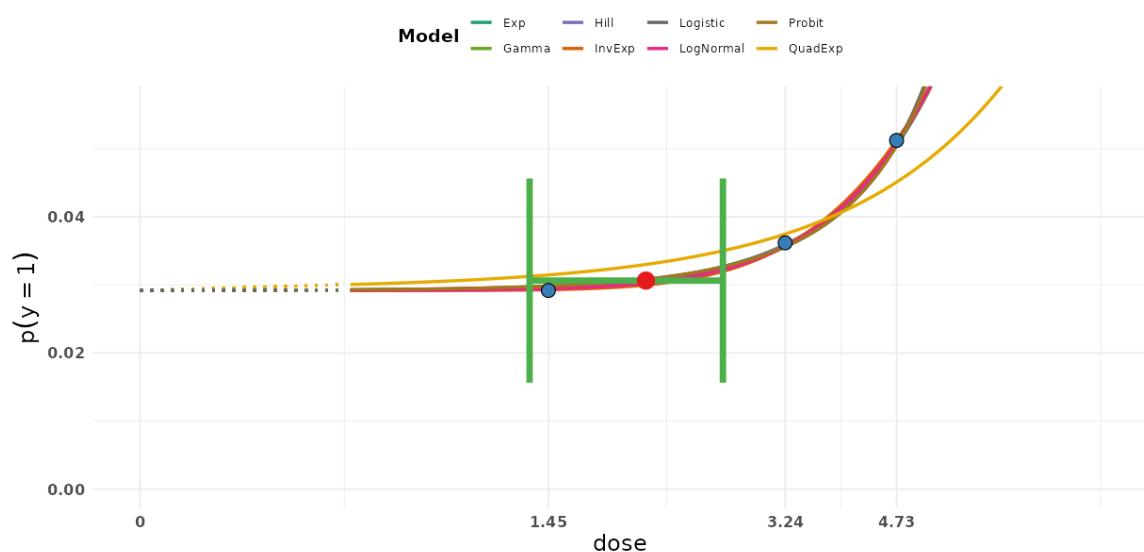
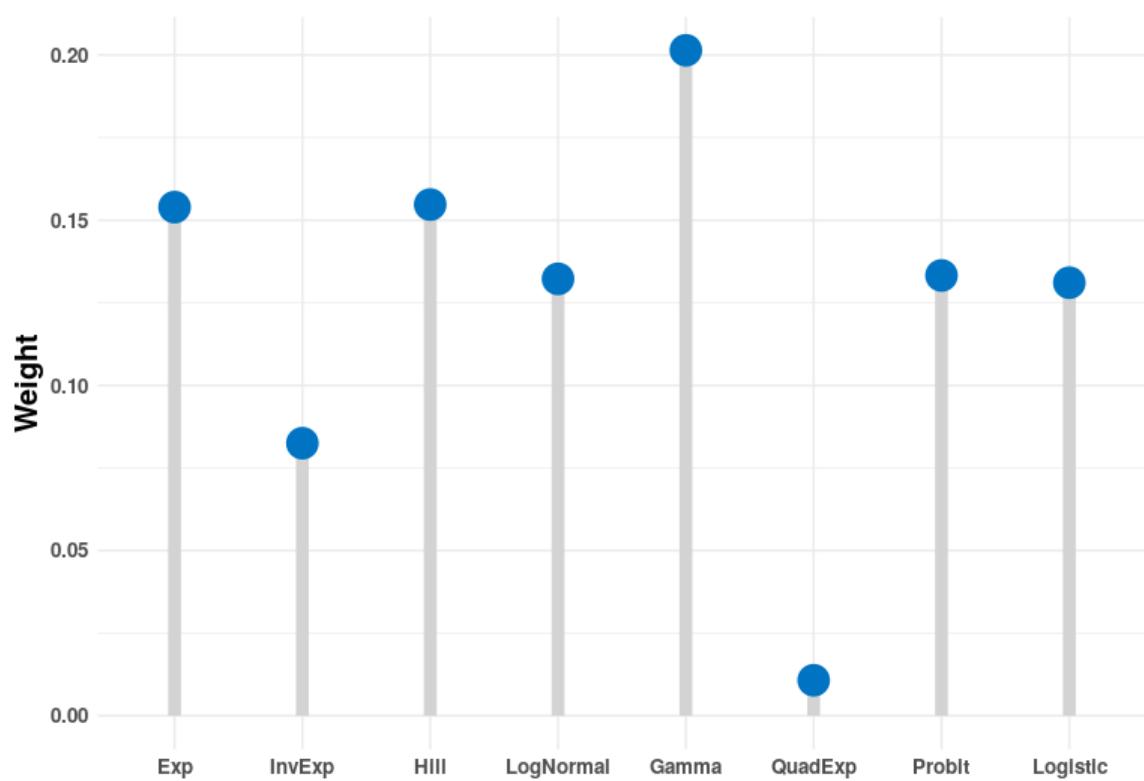
Model Averaged BMD

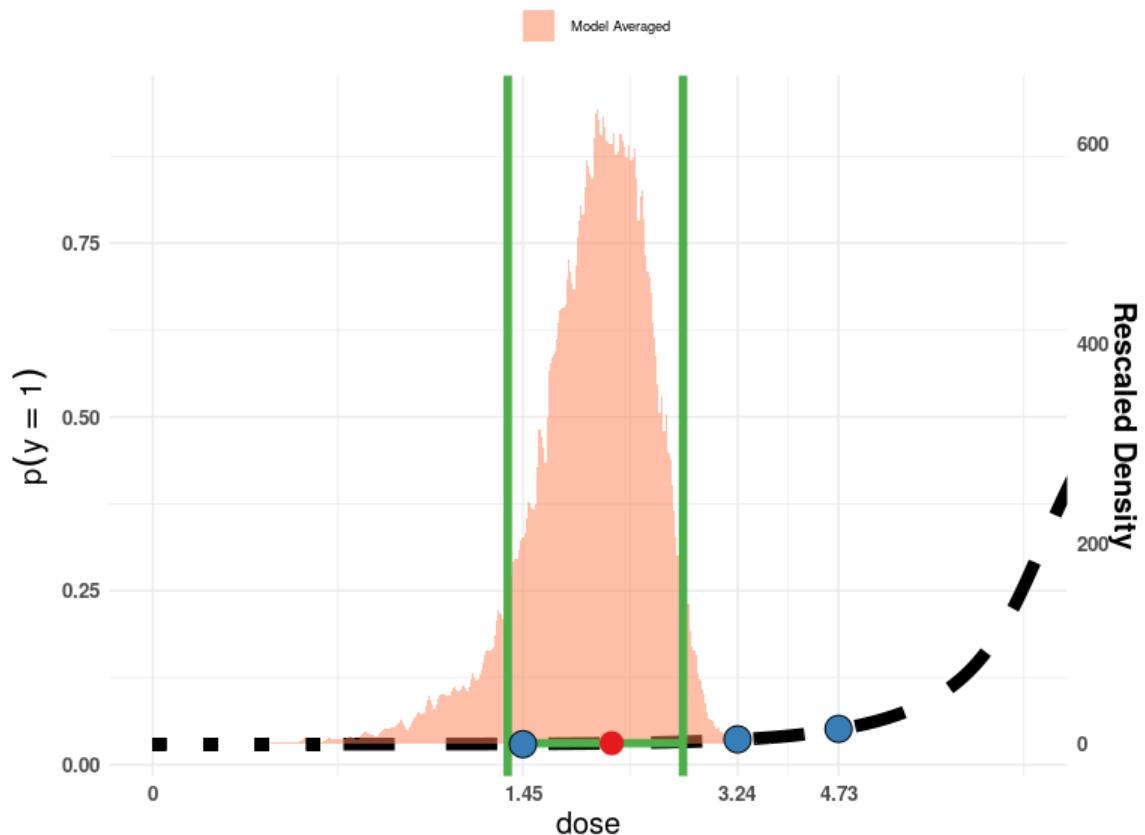
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	1.37	2.022	2.641

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	1.395	1.988	2.570	0.154	1
IE4_Q	1.700	2.269	2.800	0.083	1
H4_Q	1.376	1.993	2.592	0.155	1
LN4_Q	1.564	2.178	2.736	0.132	1
G4_Q	1.431	2.024	2.617	0.201	1
QE4_Q	0.723	1.051	1.347	0.011	1
P4_Q	1.325	1.920	2.551	0.133	1
L4_Q	1.357	1.923	2.553	0.131	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Gilbert-Diamond et al. (2013) skin cancer, relative BMR 5% (the preferred estimate for the study)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for skin cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.063	96	263307
0.120	90	260846
0.230	137	260846

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.824e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00034636; the most likely: 0.00036459; max: 0.00038282. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

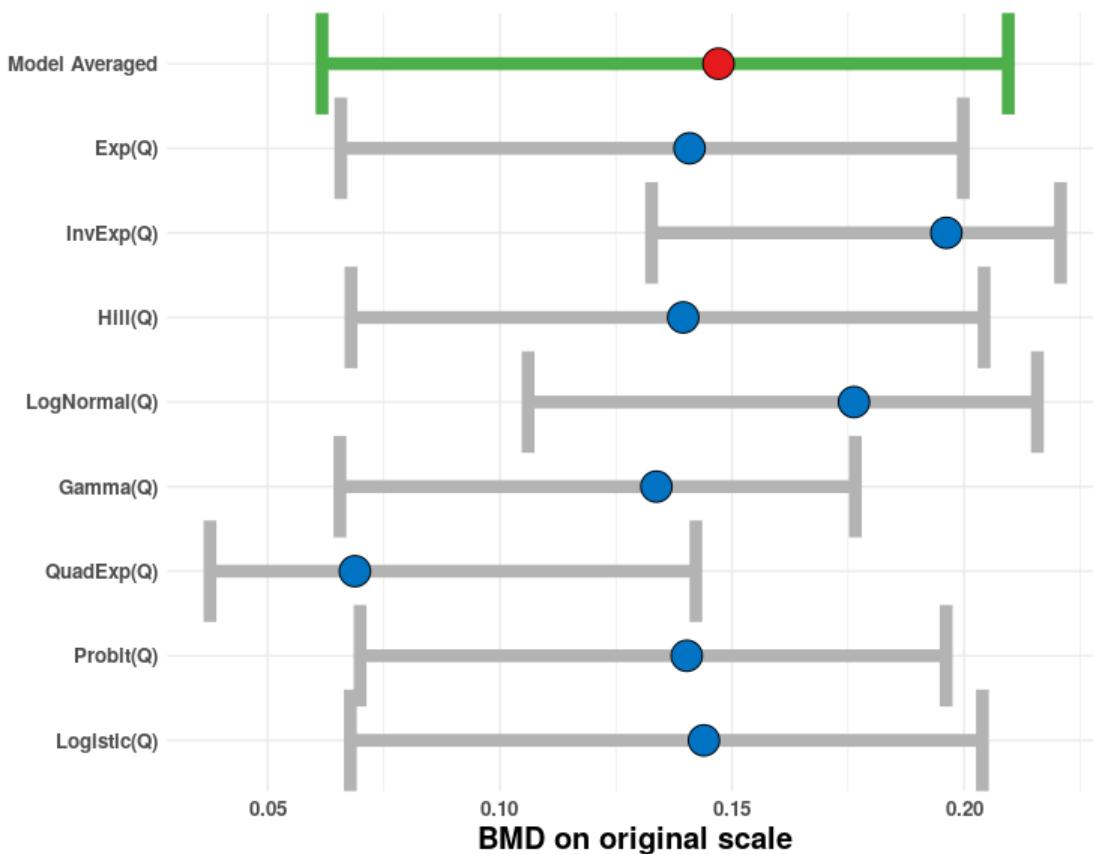
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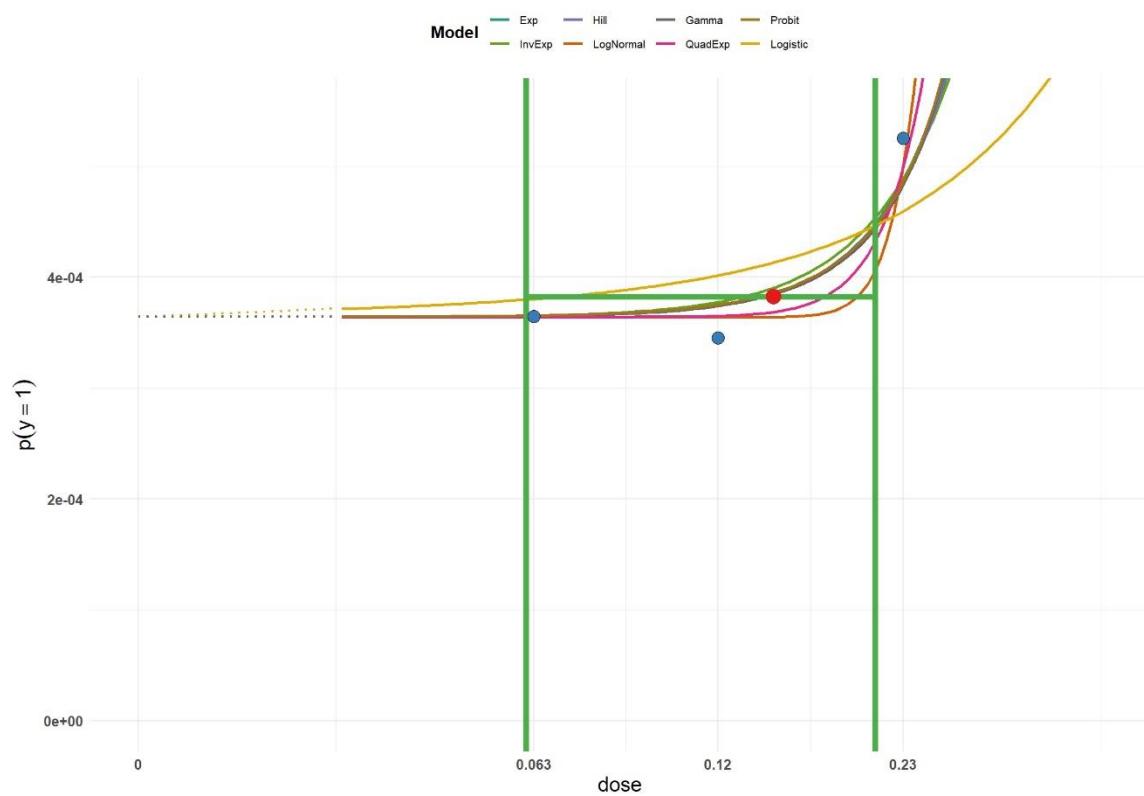
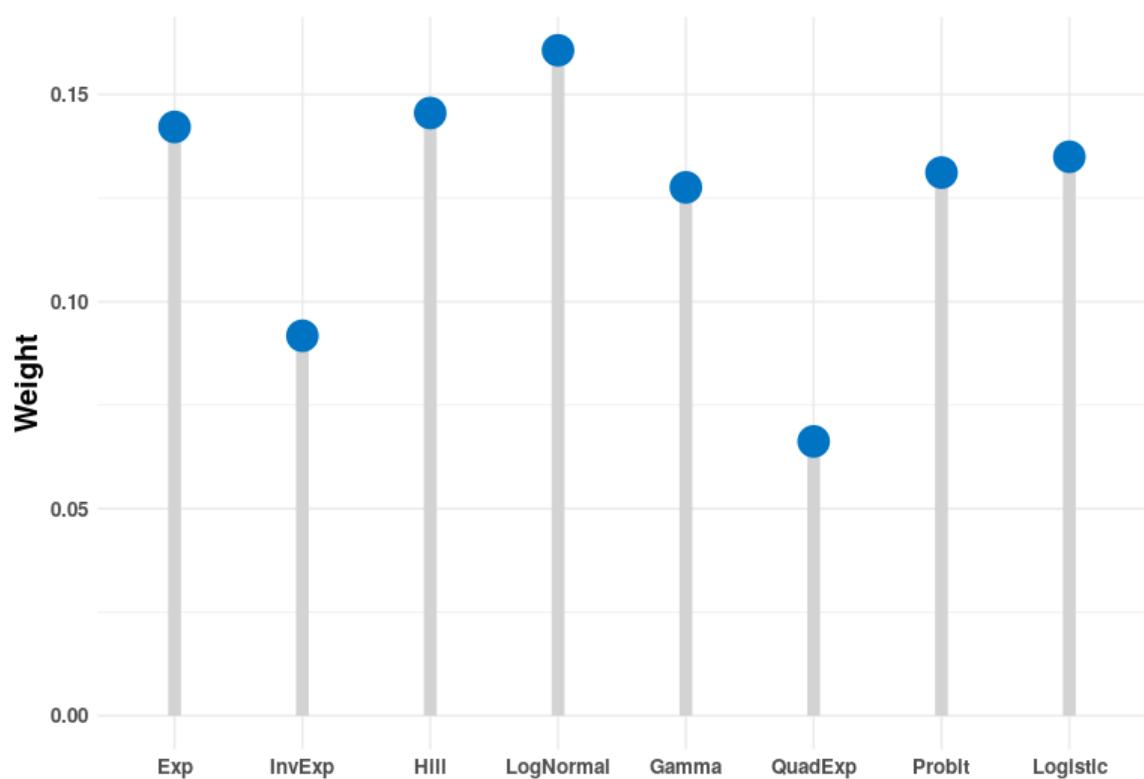
Model Averaged BMD

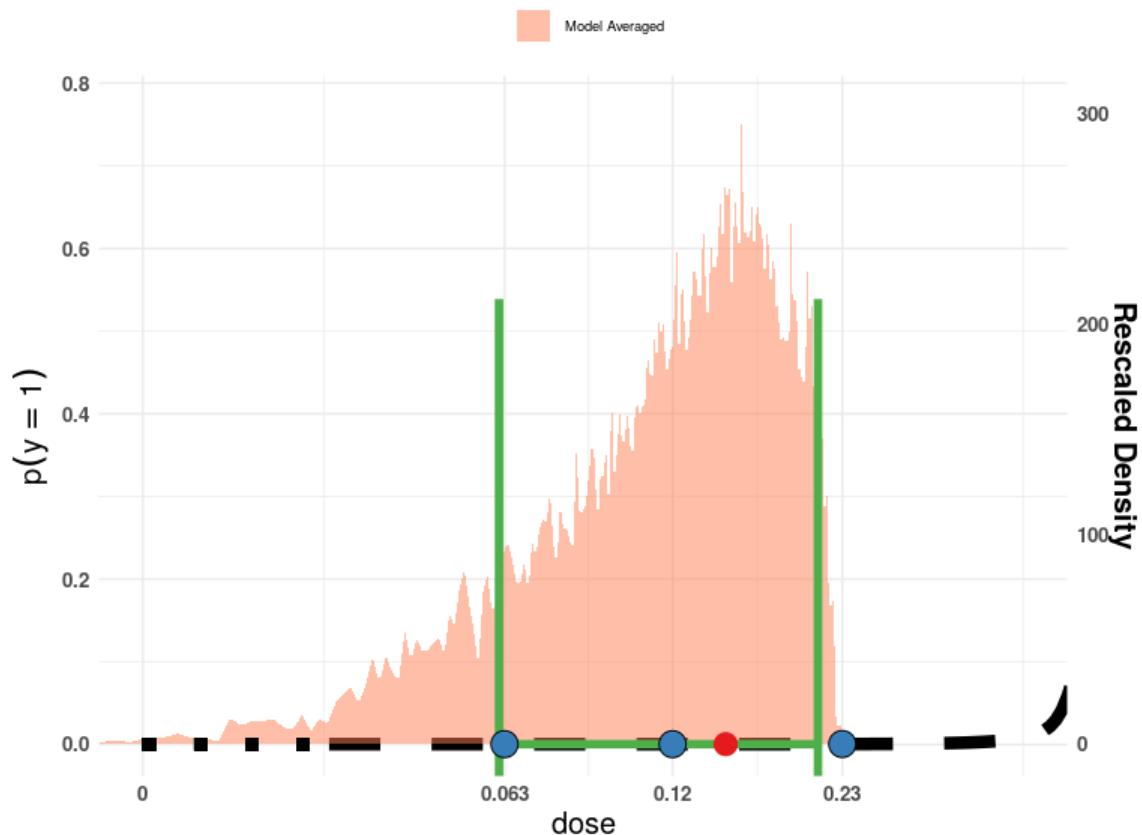
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Model Averaged	BS	0.062	0.147	0.21

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.066	0.141	0.200	0.142	1
IE4_Q	0.133	0.196	0.221	0.092	1
H4_Q	0.068	0.139	0.204	0.146	1
LN4_Q	0.106	0.176	0.216	0.161	1
G4_Q	0.066	0.134	0.177	0.128	1
QE4_Q	0.038	0.069	0.142	0.066	1
P4_Q	0.070	0.140	0.196	0.131	1
L4_Q	0.068	0.144	0.204	0.135	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Gilbert-Diamond et al. (2013) skin cancer, relative BMR 5%
Without an informative background prior (included only in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for skin cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.063	96	263307
0.120	90	260846
0.230	137	260846

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.824e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

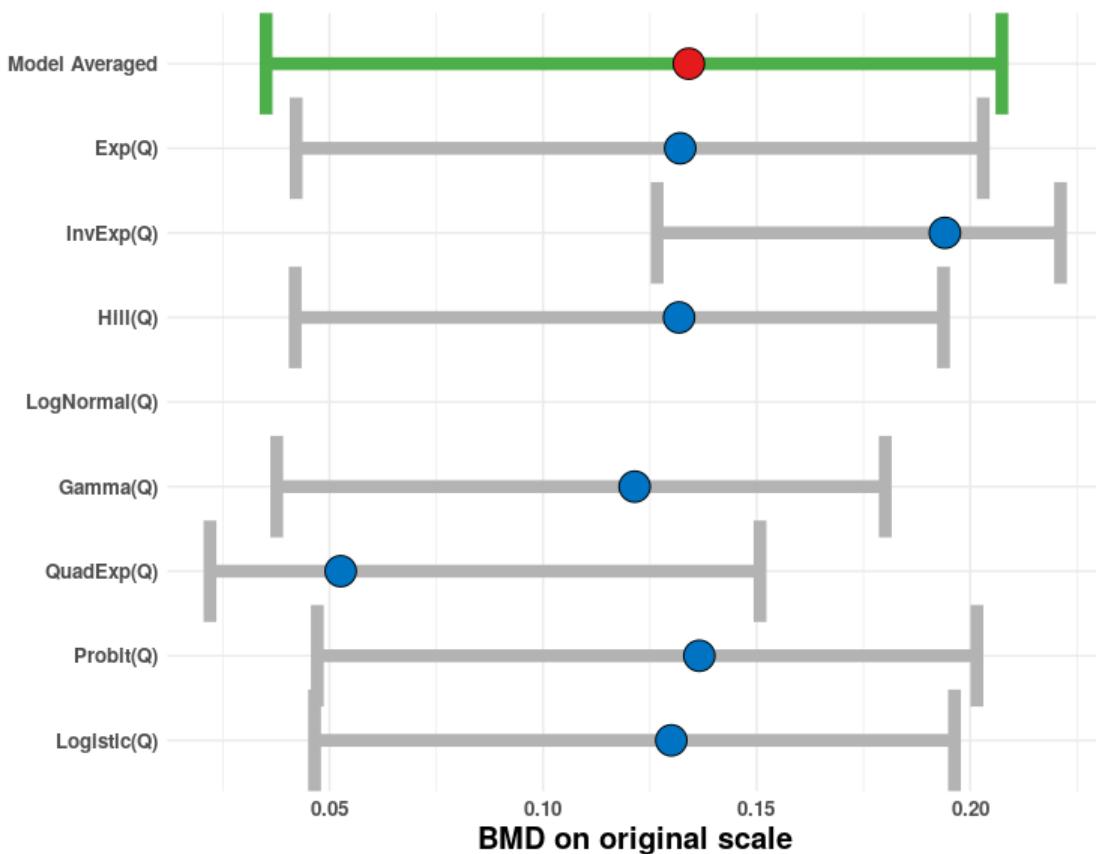
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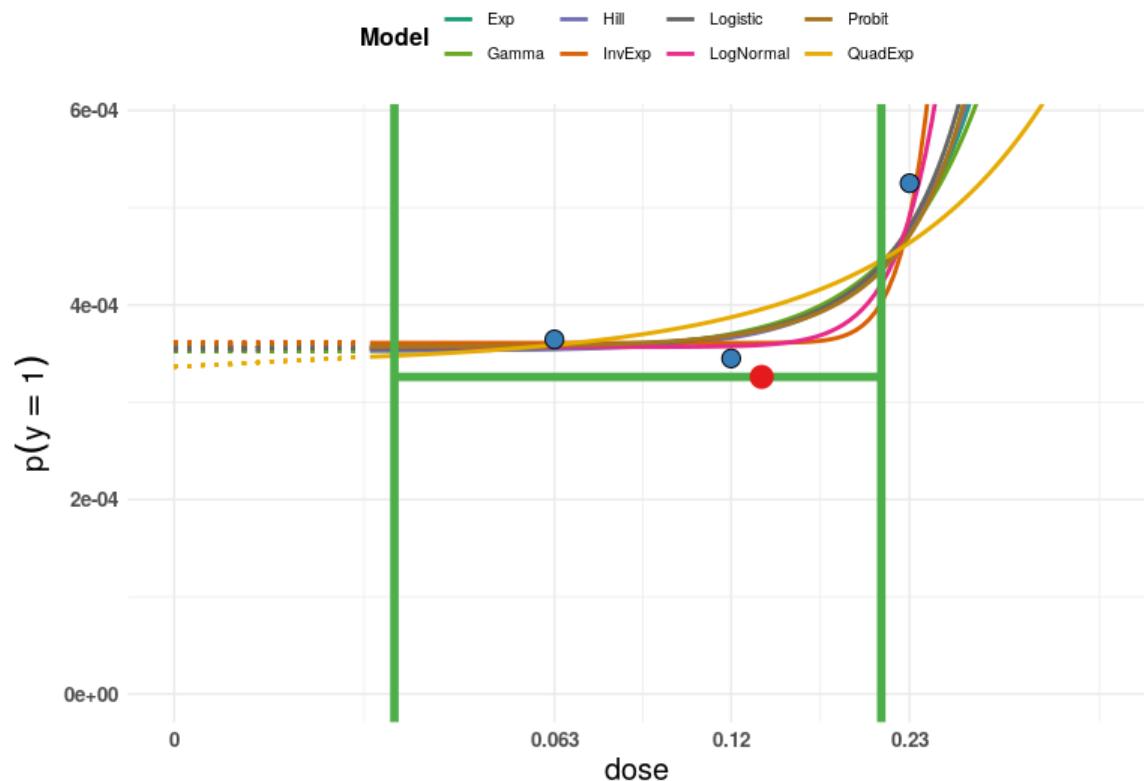
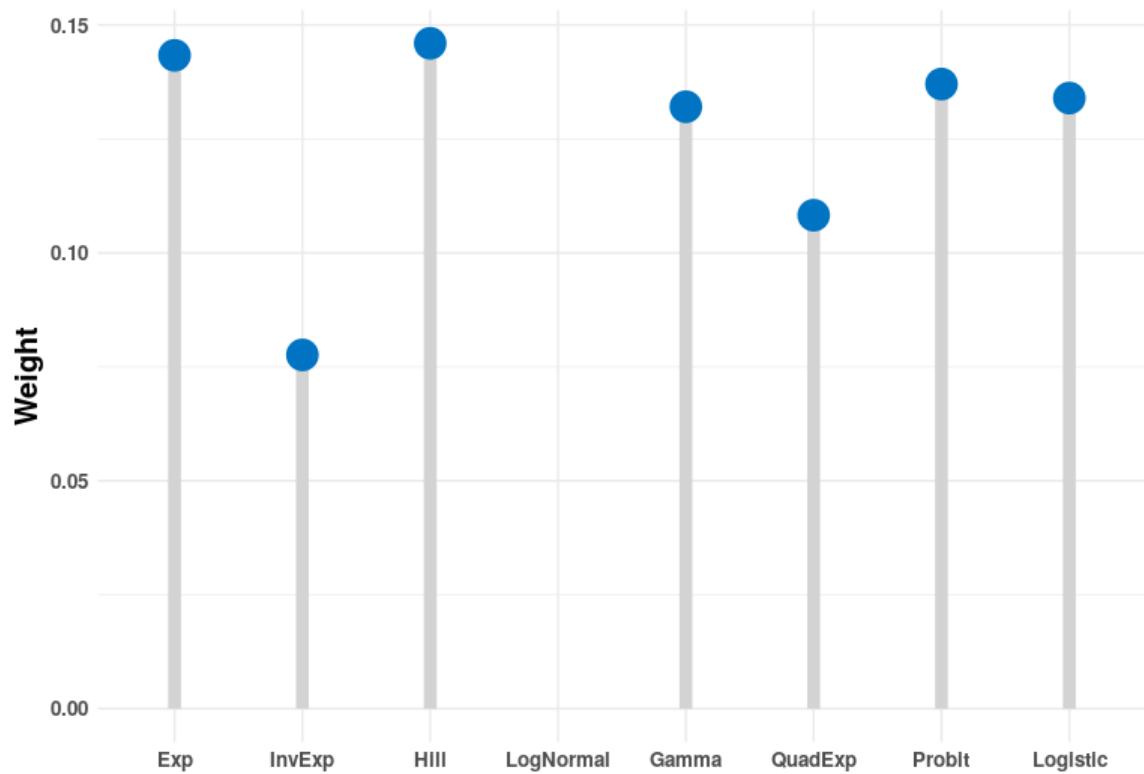
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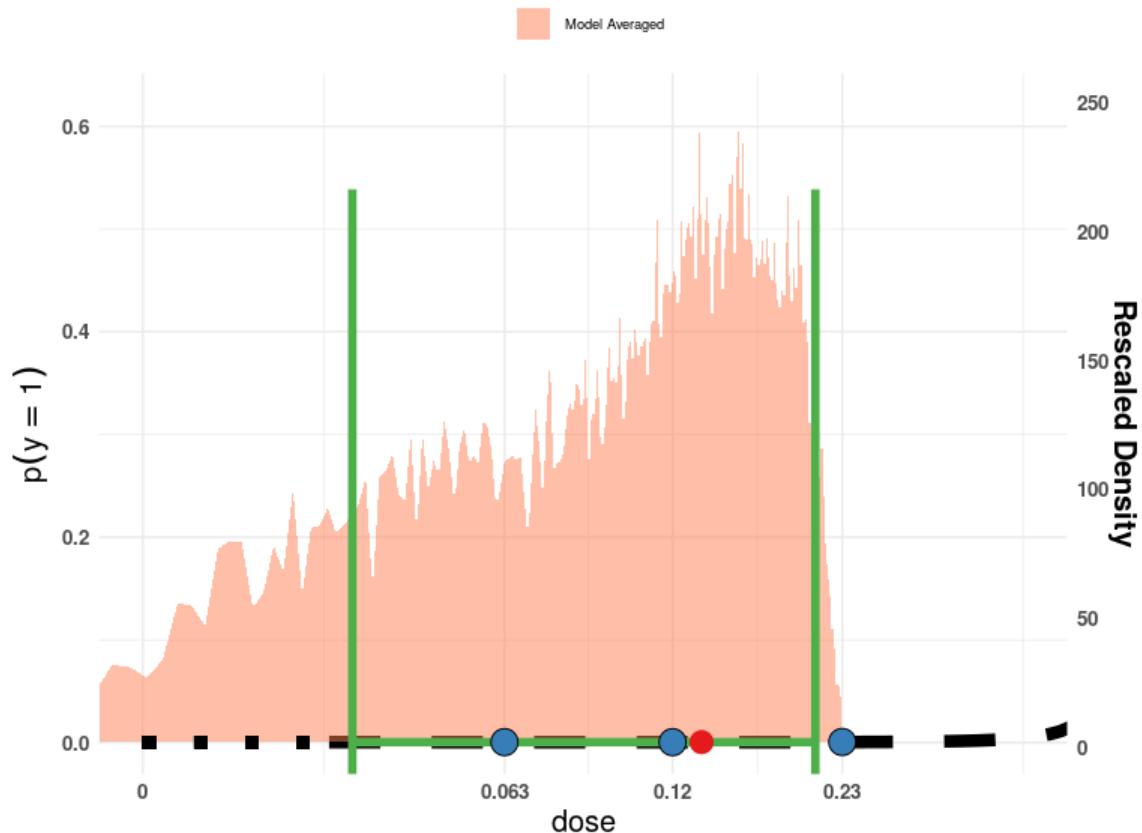
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.035	0.134	0.207

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.042	0.132	0.203	0.143	1
IE4_Q	0.127	0.194	0.221	0.078	1
H4_Q	0.042	0.132	0.194	0.146	1
G4_Q	0.038	0.121	0.180	0.132	1
QE4_Q	0.022	0.053	0.151	0.108	1
P4_Q	0.047	0.137	0.202	0.137	1
L4_Q	0.046	0.130	0.196	0.134	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Gilbert-Diamond et al. (2013) skin cancer, relative BMR 5%
Source population reduced by 10% (only included in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for skin cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.063	96	236976
0.120	90	234762
0.230	137	234762

The 'Value for CES' is set to 2.026e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00038485; the most likely: 0.00040510; max: 0.00042536. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

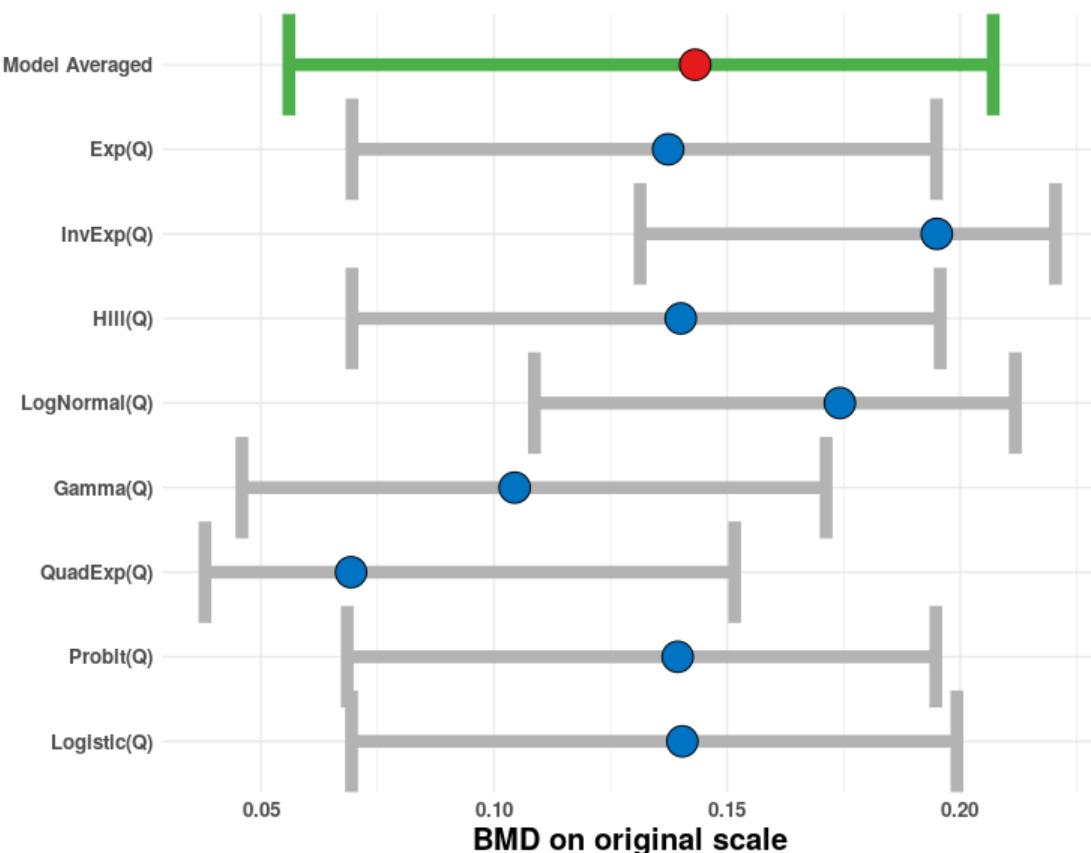
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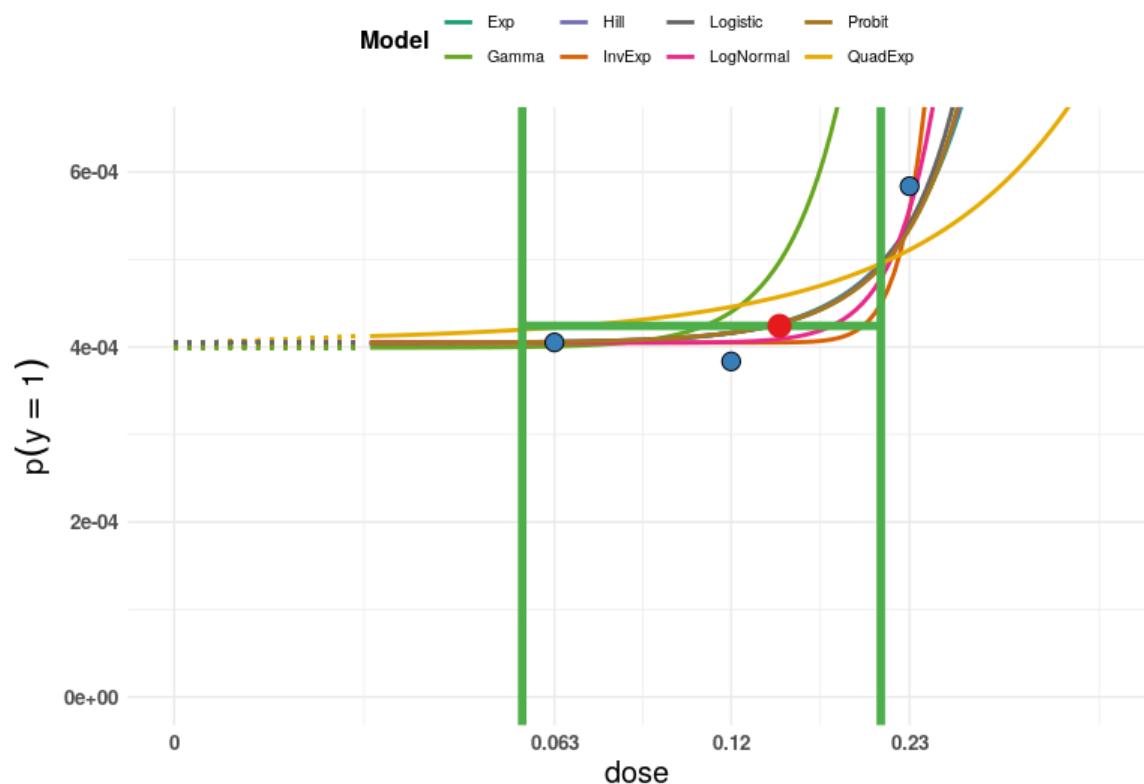
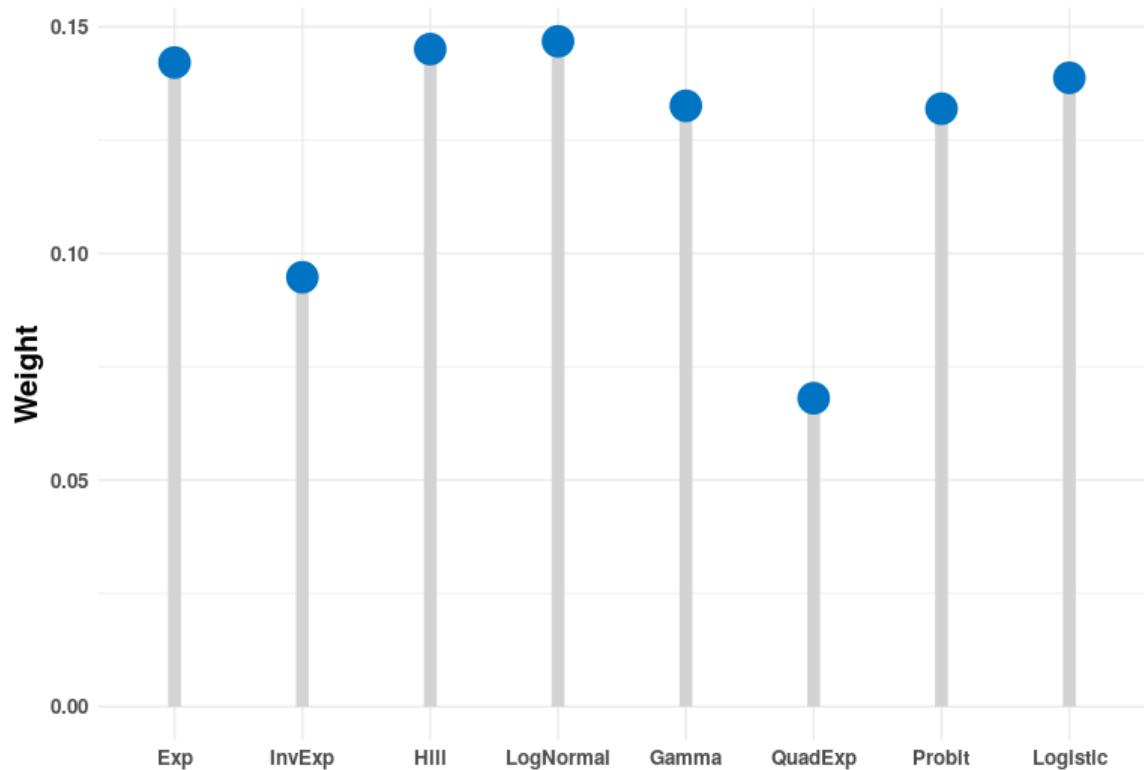
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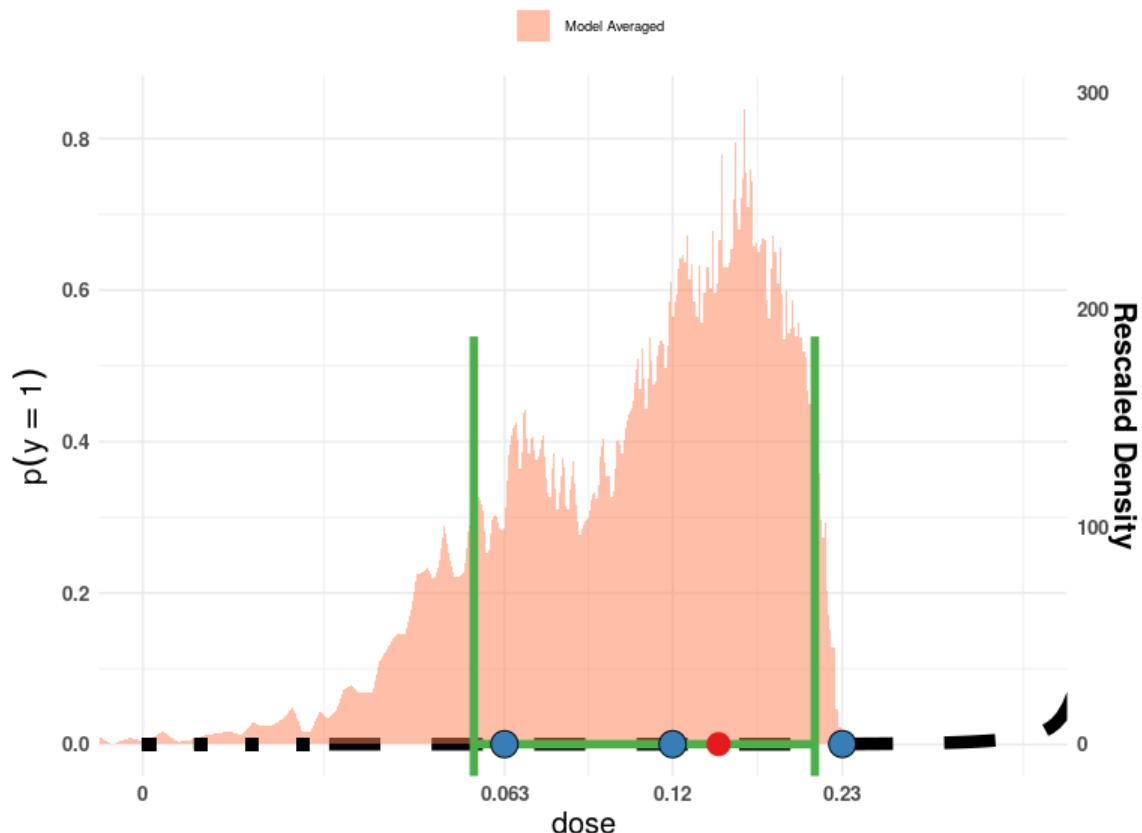
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Model Averaged	BS	0.056	0.143	0.207

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.070	0.137	0.195	0.142	1
IE4_Q	0.131	0.195	0.220	0.095	1
H4_Q	0.070	0.140	0.196	0.145	1
LN4_Q	0.109	0.174	0.212	0.147	1
G4_Q	0.046	0.104	0.171	0.133	0
QE4_Q	0.038	0.069	0.152	0.068	1
P4_Q	0.069	0.139	0.195	0.132	1
L4_Q	0.069	0.140	0.199	0.139	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Gilbert-Diamond et al. (2013) skin cancer, relative BMR 5%
Source population reduced by 20% (only included in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for skin cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.063	96	210646
0.120	90	208677
0.230	137	208677

The 'Value for CES' is set to 2.28e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00043295; the most likely: 0.00045574; max: 0.00047853. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

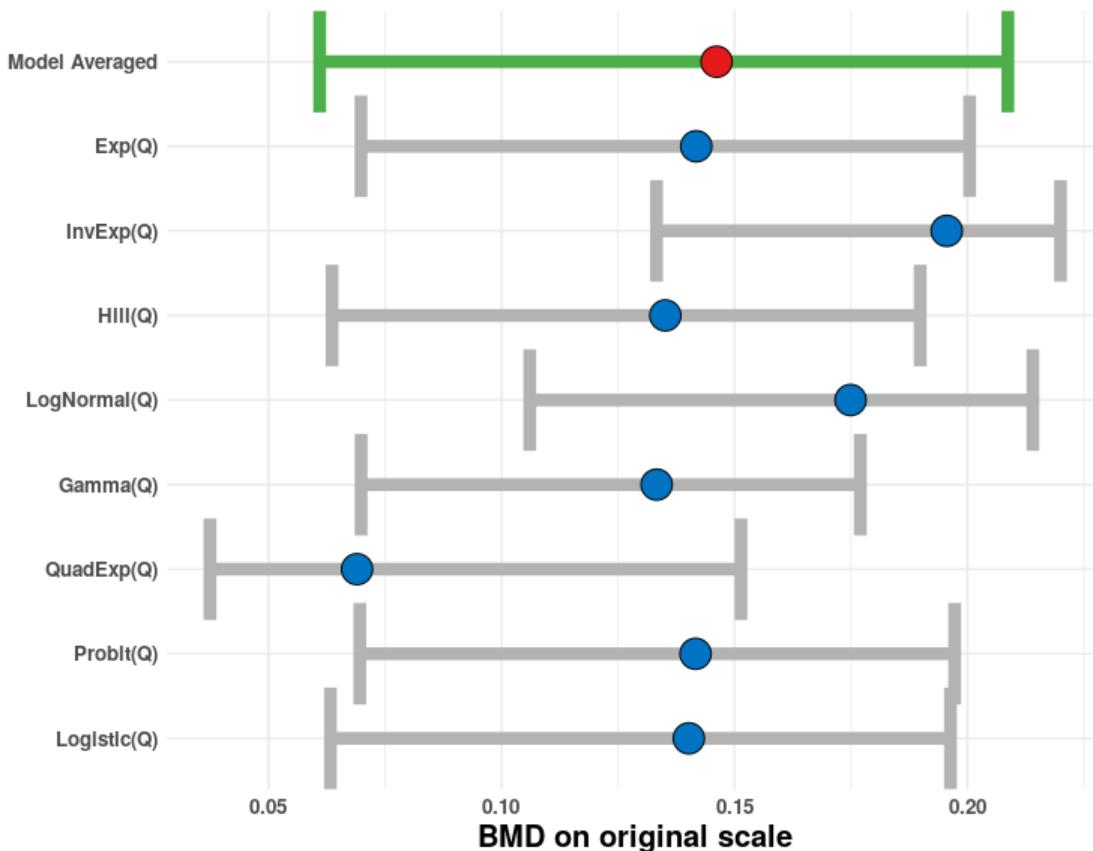
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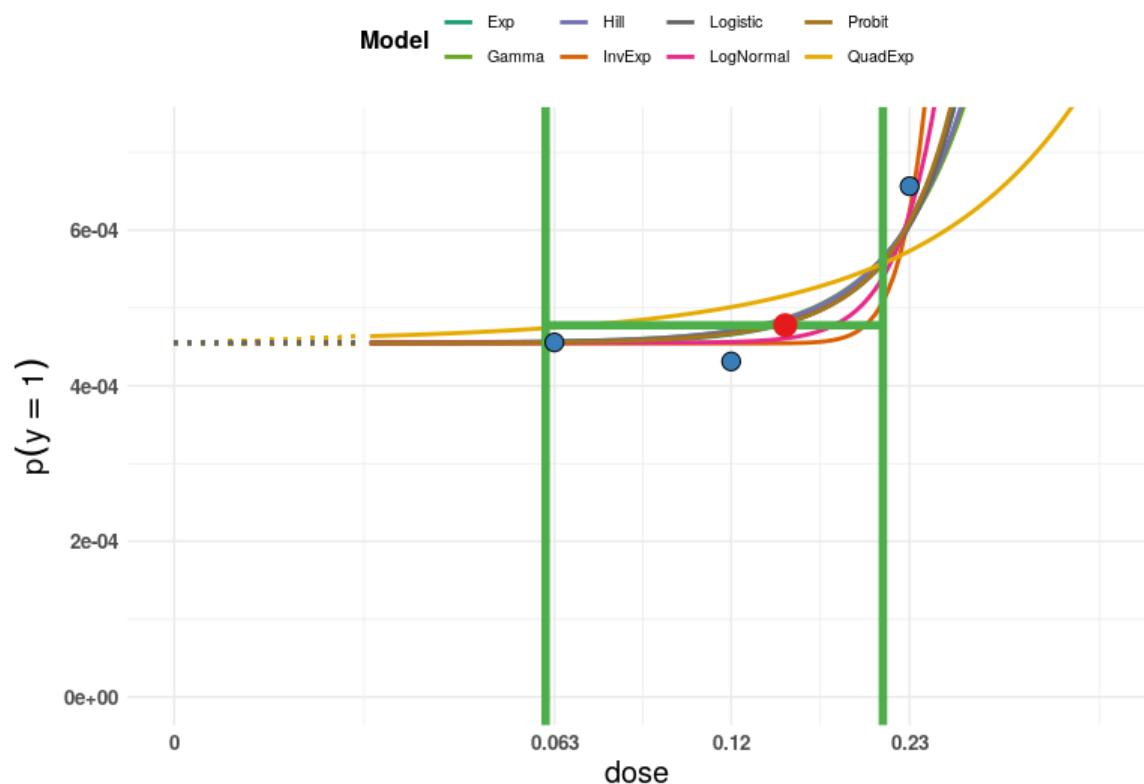
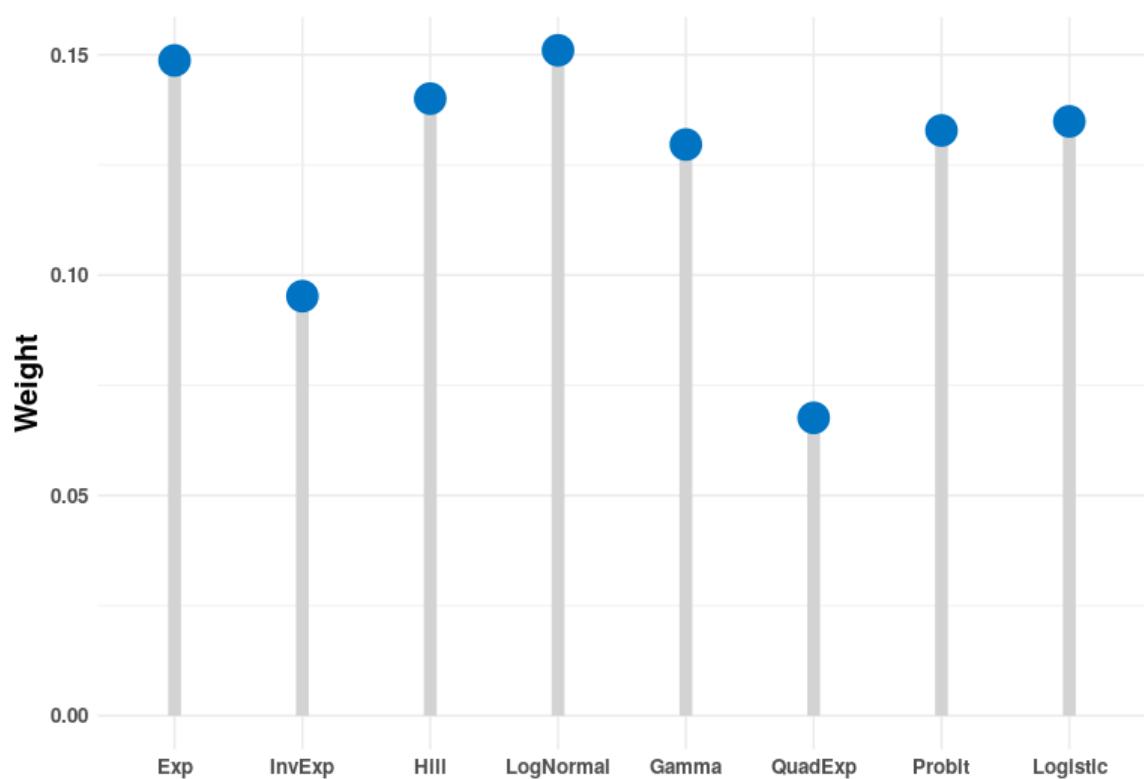
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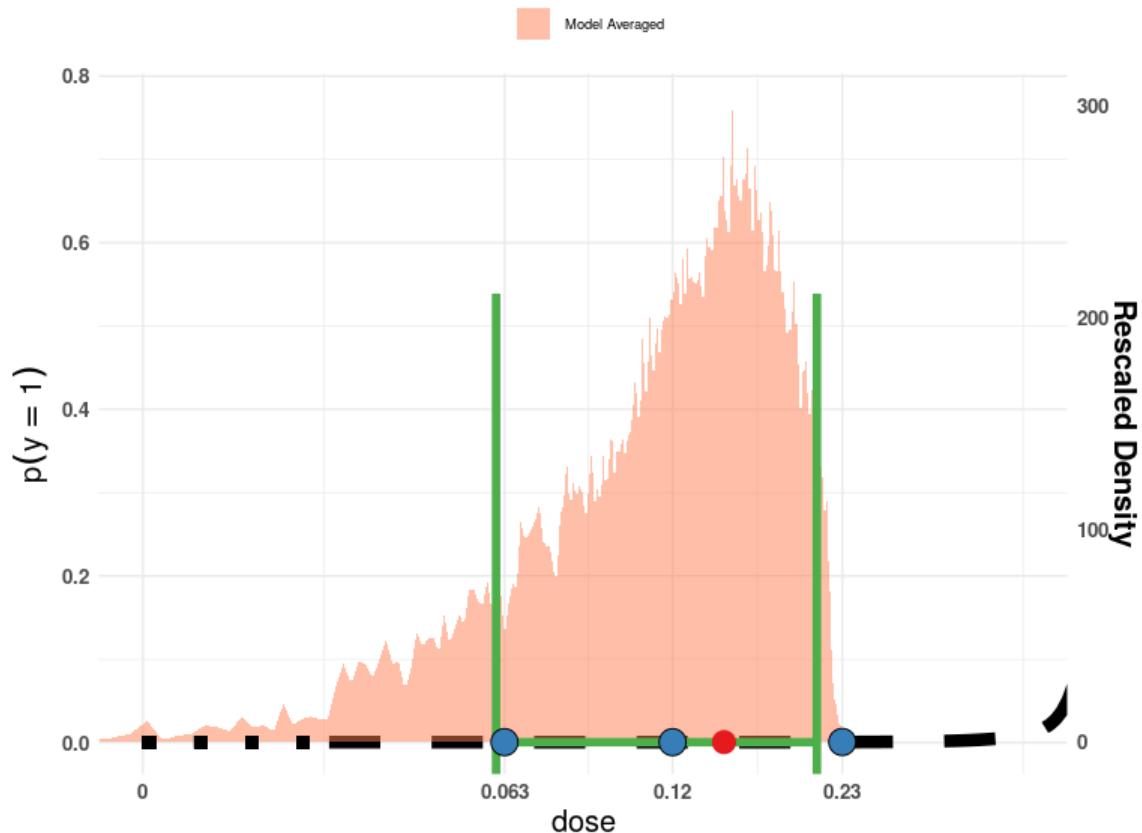
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Model Averaged	BS	0.061	0.146	0.209

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.070	0.142	0.200	0.149	1
IE4_Q	0.133	0.196	0.220	0.095	1
H4_Q	0.064	0.135	0.190	0.140	1
LN4_Q	0.106	0.175	0.214	0.151	1
G4_Q	0.070	0.133	0.177	0.130	1
QE4_Q	0.037	0.069	0.151	0.068	1
P4_Q	0.070	0.142	0.197	0.133	1
L4_Q	0.063	0.140	0.196	0.135	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Gilbert-Diamond et al. (2013) skin cancer, relative BMR 5%
Source population increased by 10% (only included in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for skin cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.063	96	289638
0.120	90	286931
0.230	137	286931

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.658e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00031488; the most likely: 0.00033145; max: 0.00034802. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

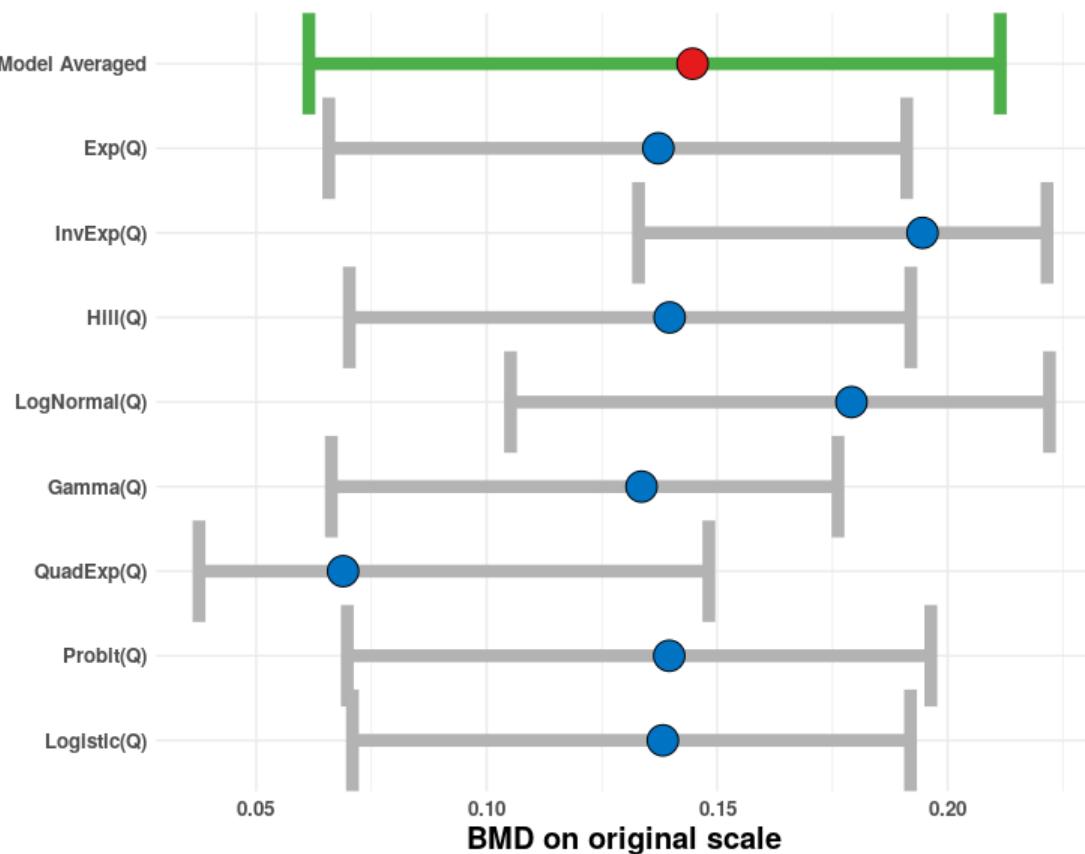
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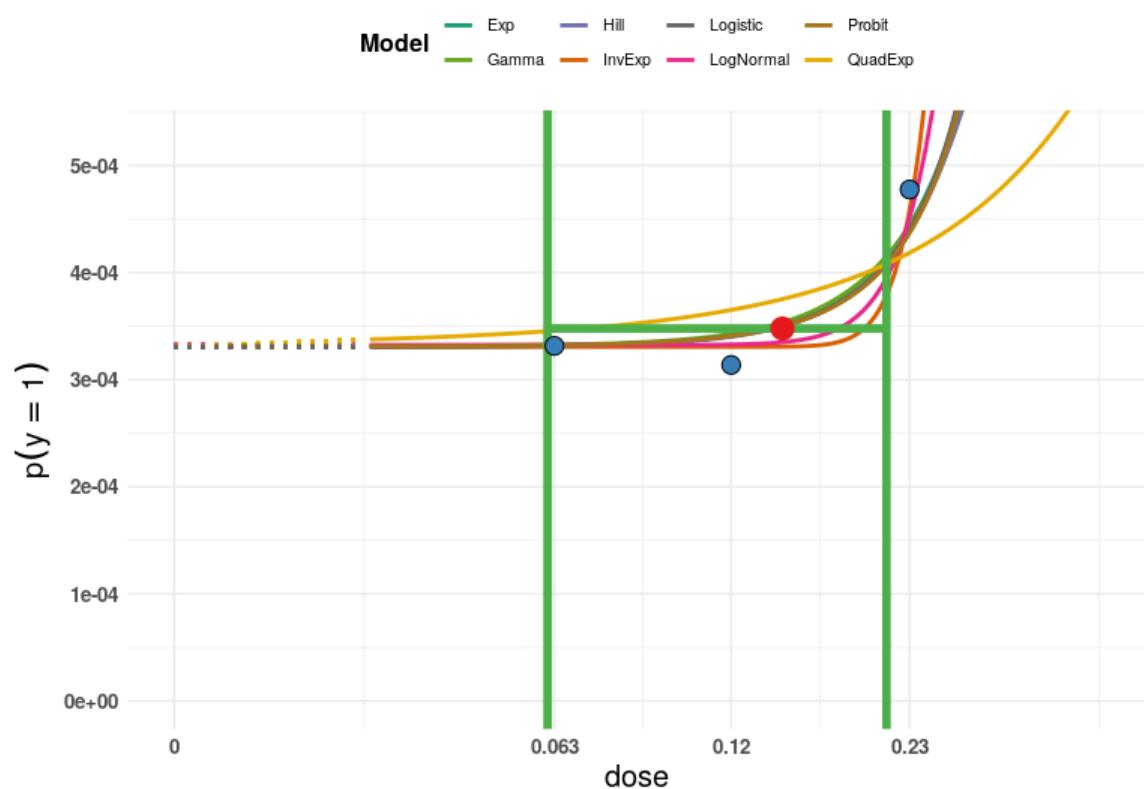
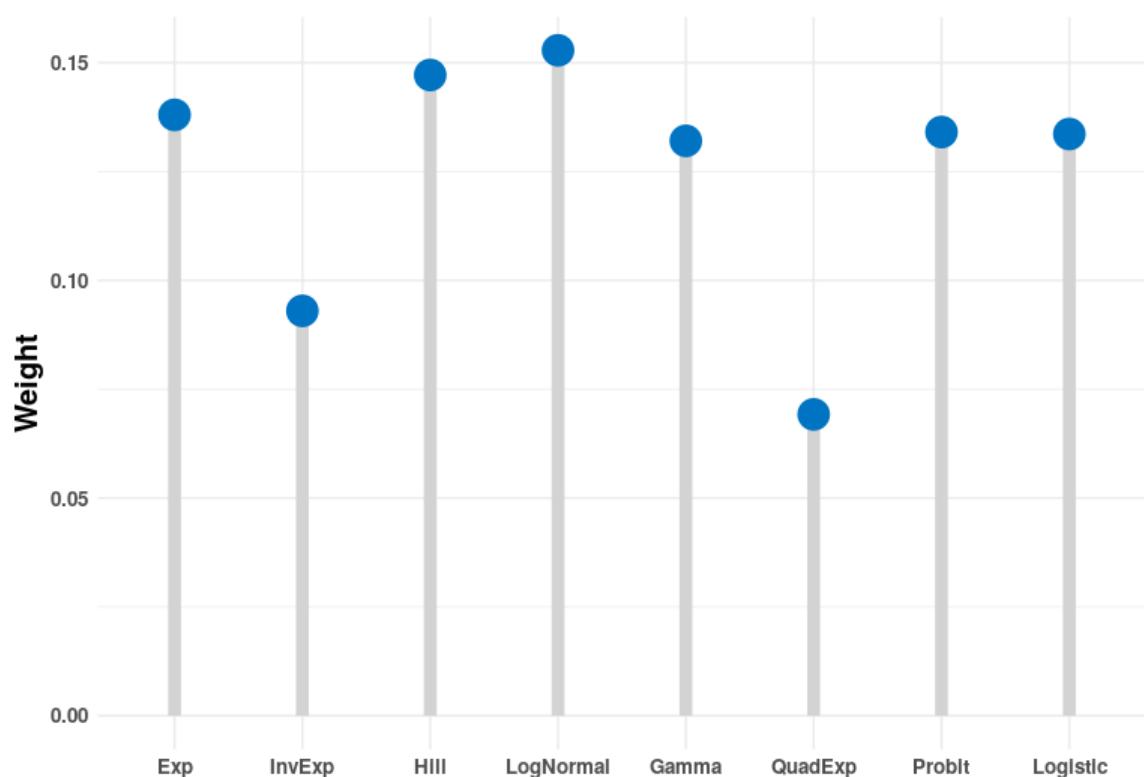
Model Averaged BMD

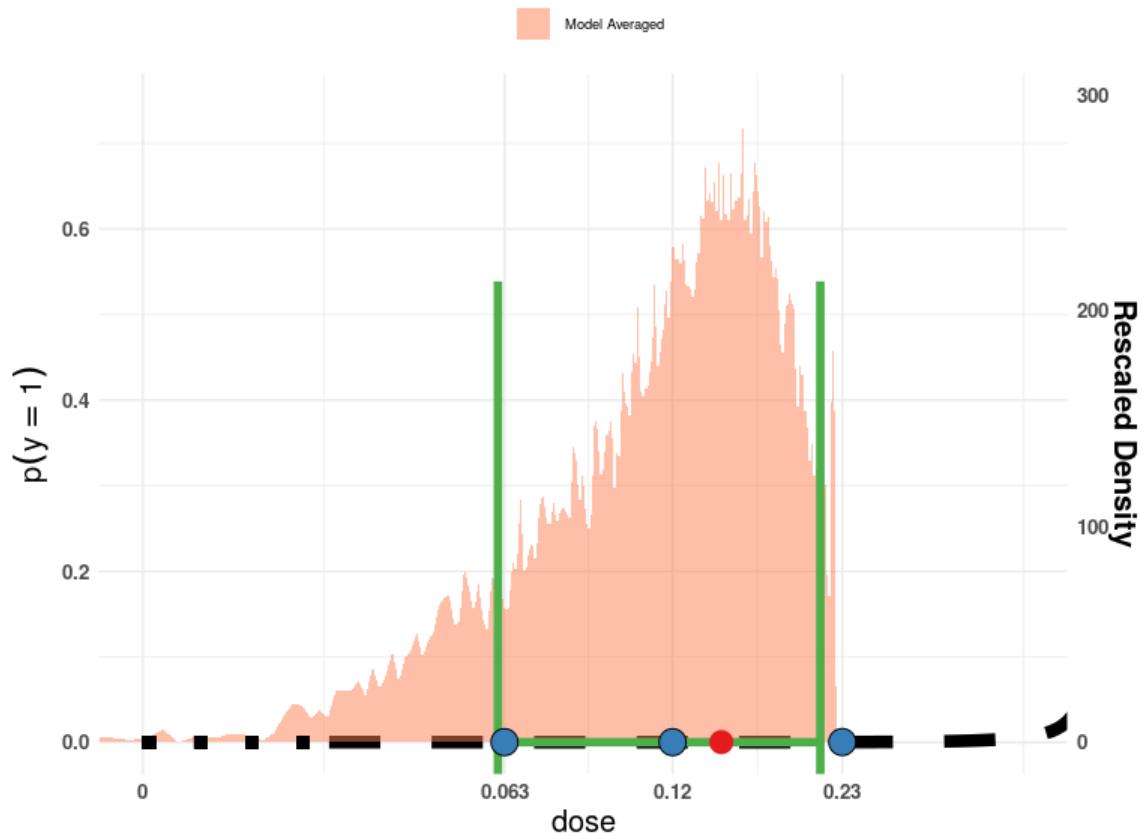
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.061	0.145	0.211

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.066	0.137	0.191	0.138	1
IE4_Q	0.133	0.195	0.222	0.093	1
H4_Q	0.070	0.140	0.192	0.147	1
LN4_Q	0.105	0.179	0.222	0.153	0
G4_Q	0.066	0.134	0.176	0.132	1
QE4_Q	0.038	0.069	0.148	0.069	1
P4_Q	0.070	0.140	0.196	0.134	1
L4_Q	0.071	0.138	0.192	0.134	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Gilbert-Diamond et al. (2013) skin cancer, relative BMR 5%
Source population increased by 20% (only included in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for skin cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.063	96	315969
0.120	90	313016
0.230	137	313016

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.52e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00028864; the most likely: 0.00030383; max: 0.00031902. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

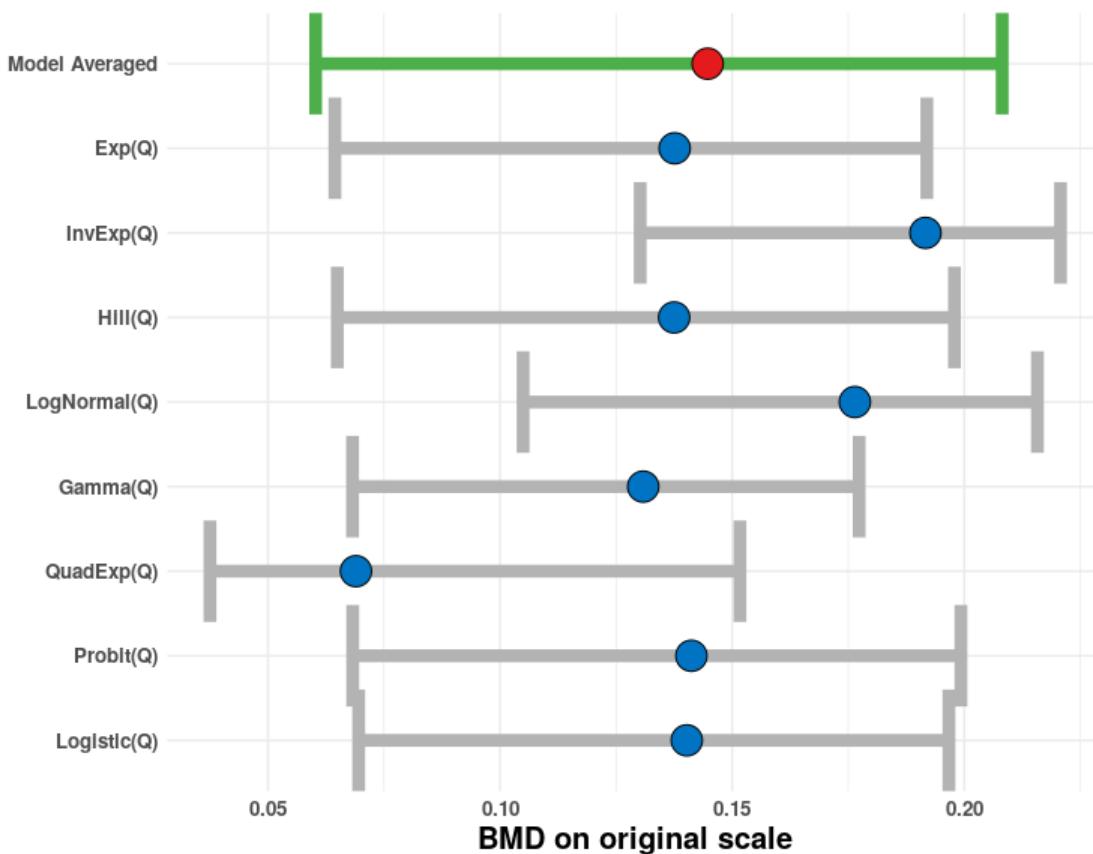
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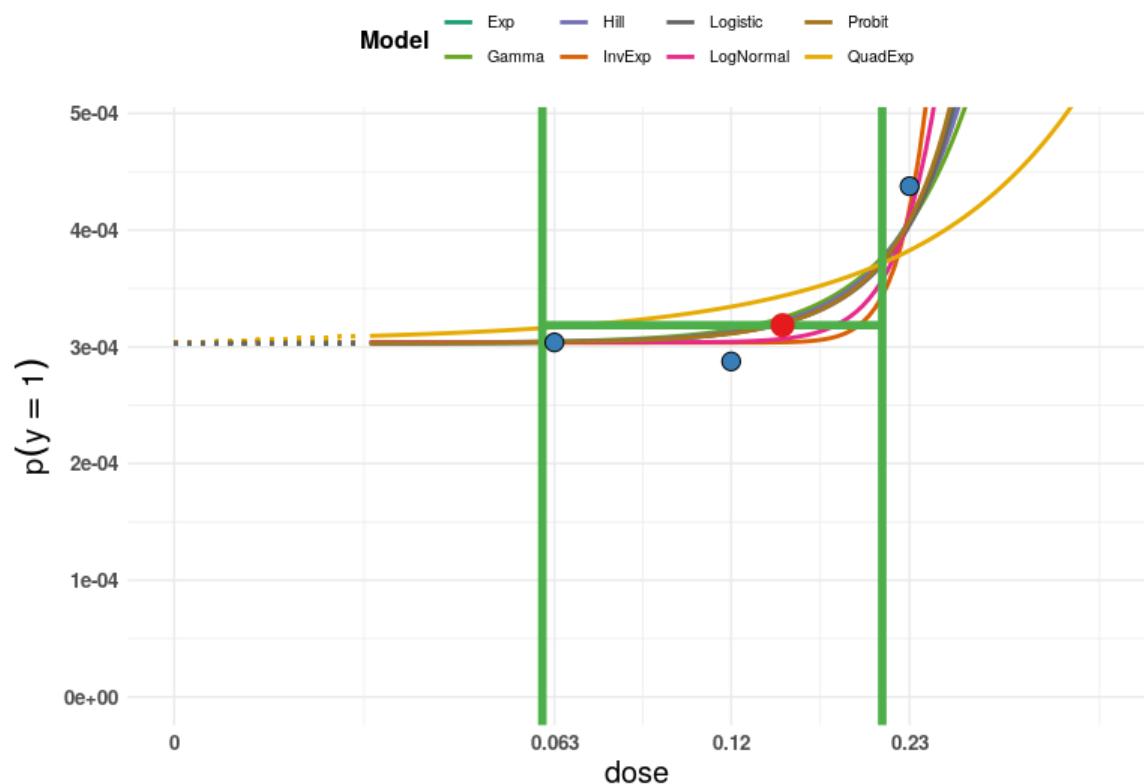
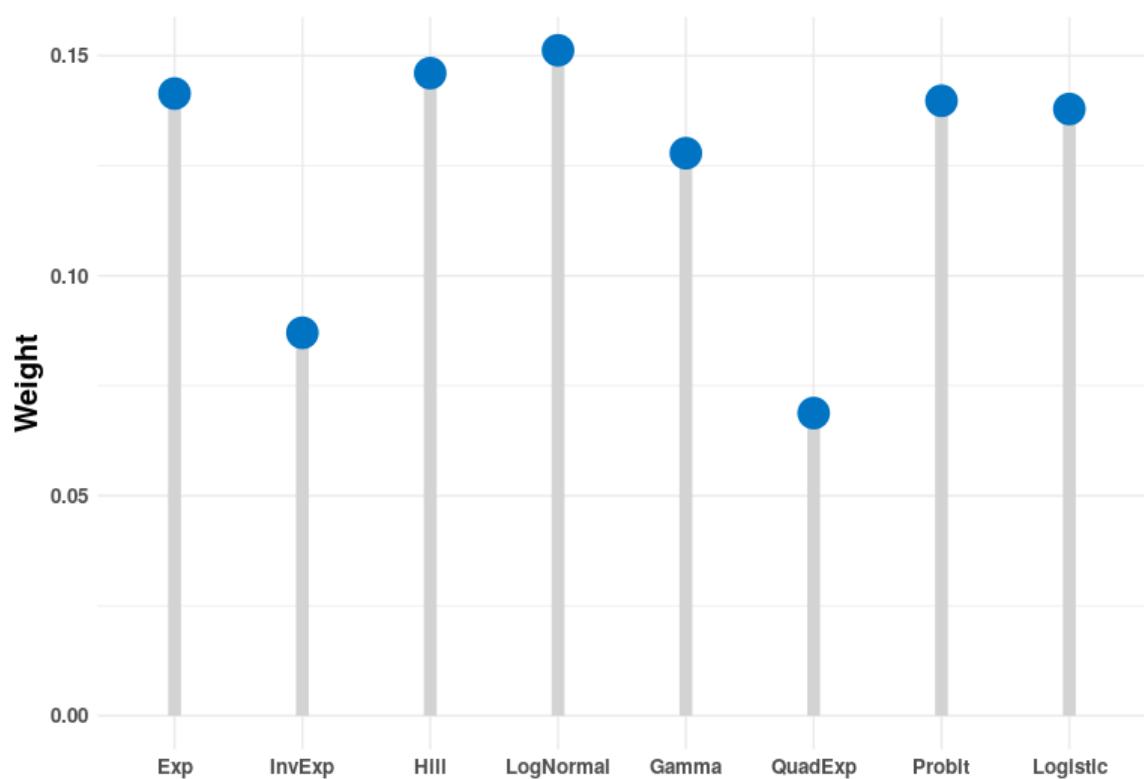
Model Averaged BMD

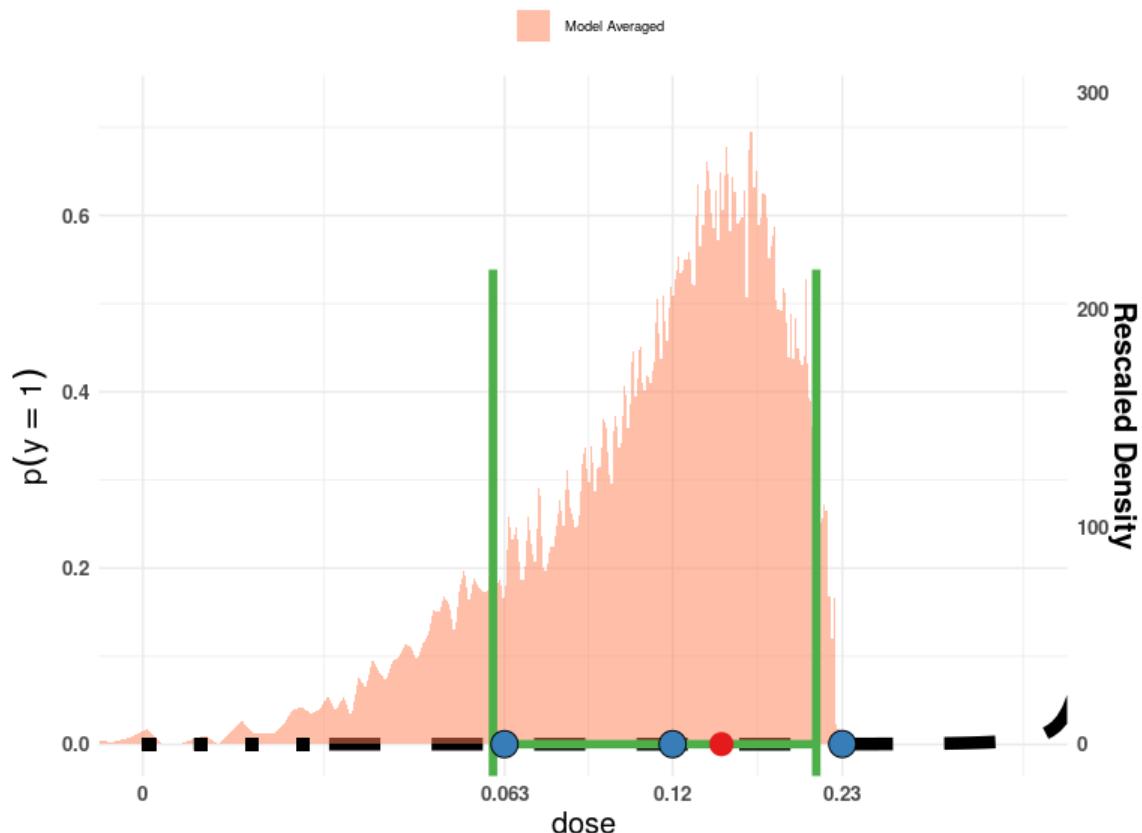
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Model Averaged	BS	0.06	0.145	0.208

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.064	0.138	0.192	0.141	1
IE4_Q	0.130	0.192	0.221	0.087	0
H4_Q	0.065	0.137	0.198	0.146	1
LN4_Q	0.105	0.176	0.216	0.151	1
G4_Q	0.068	0.131	0.177	0.128	1
QE4_Q	0.038	0.069	0.152	0.069	1
P4_Q	0.068	0.141	0.199	0.140	1
L4_Q	0.070	0.140	0.197	0.138	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Hsueh et al. (2009) chronic kidney disease, relative BMR 5%**Data Description**

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for chronic kidney disease

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.13	18	655022
0.36	27	681223
0.46	80	663755

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.37e-06.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00002721; the most likely: 0.00002748; max: 0.00002775. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

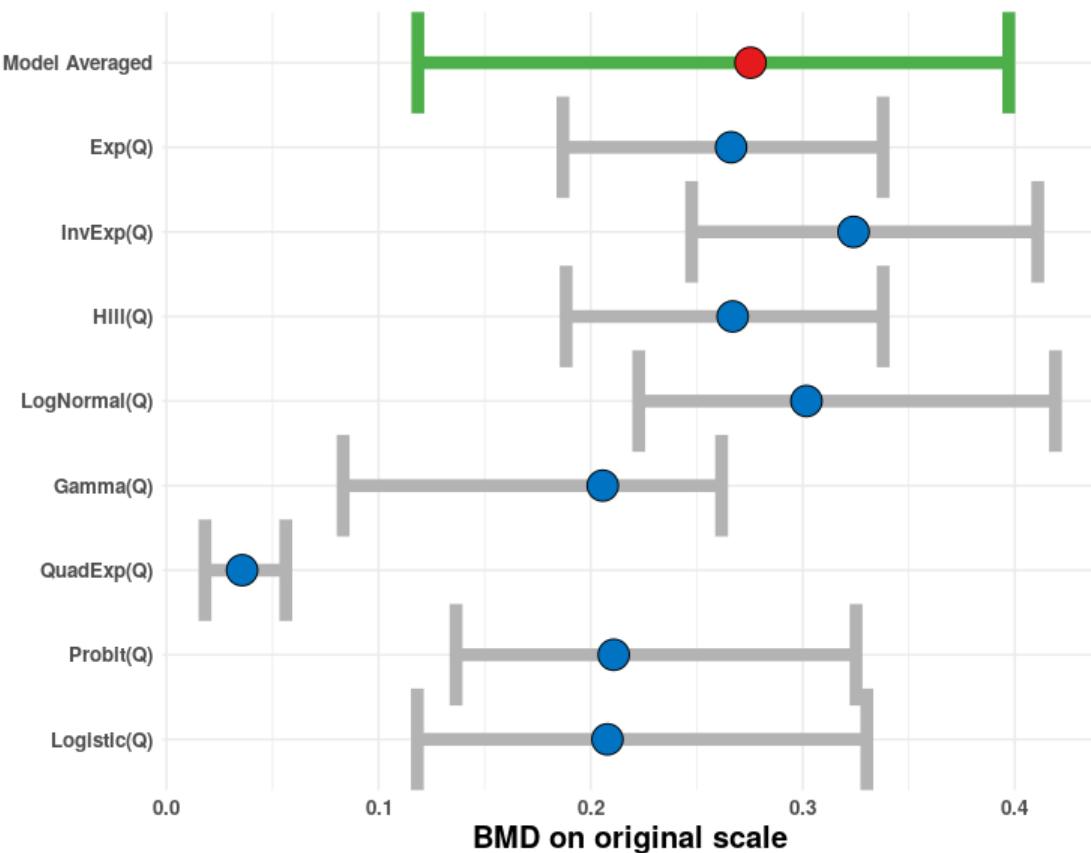
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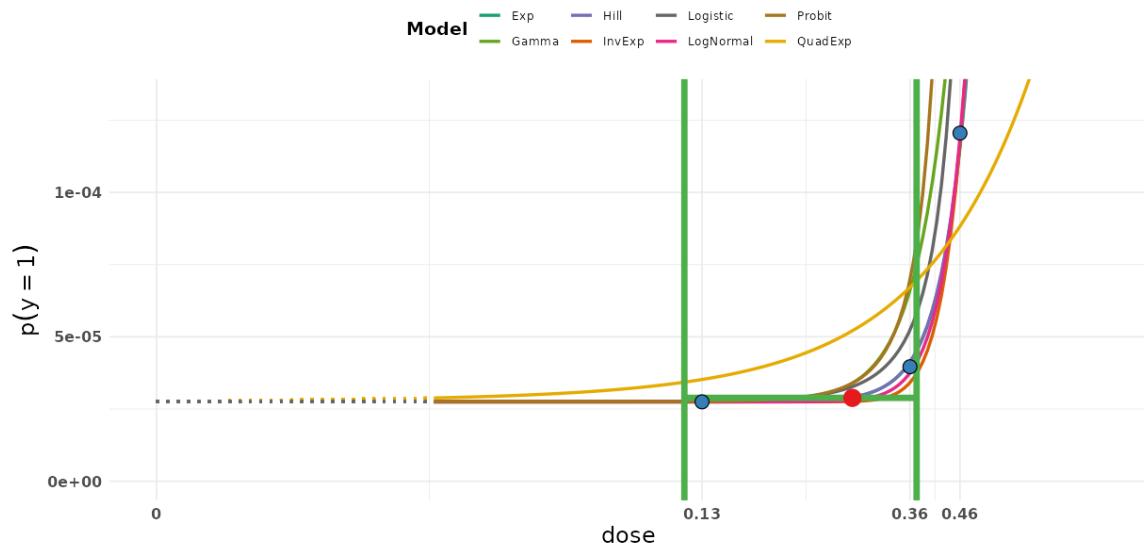
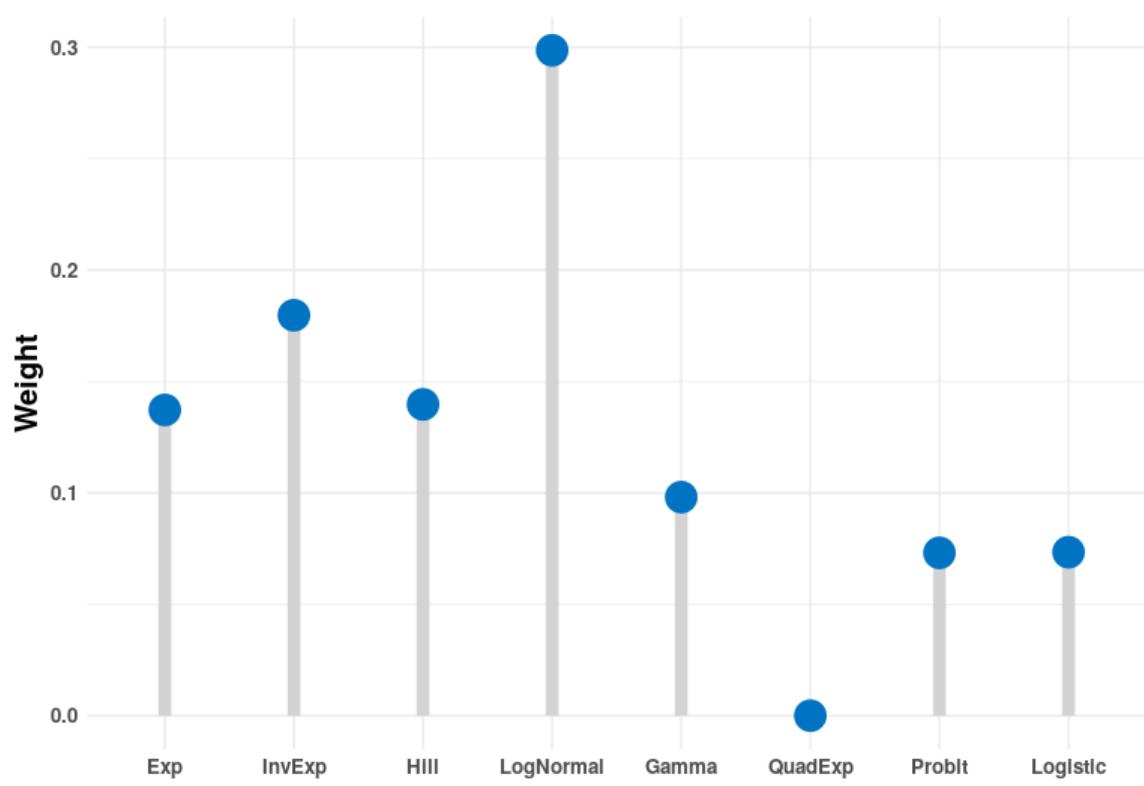
Model Averaged BMD

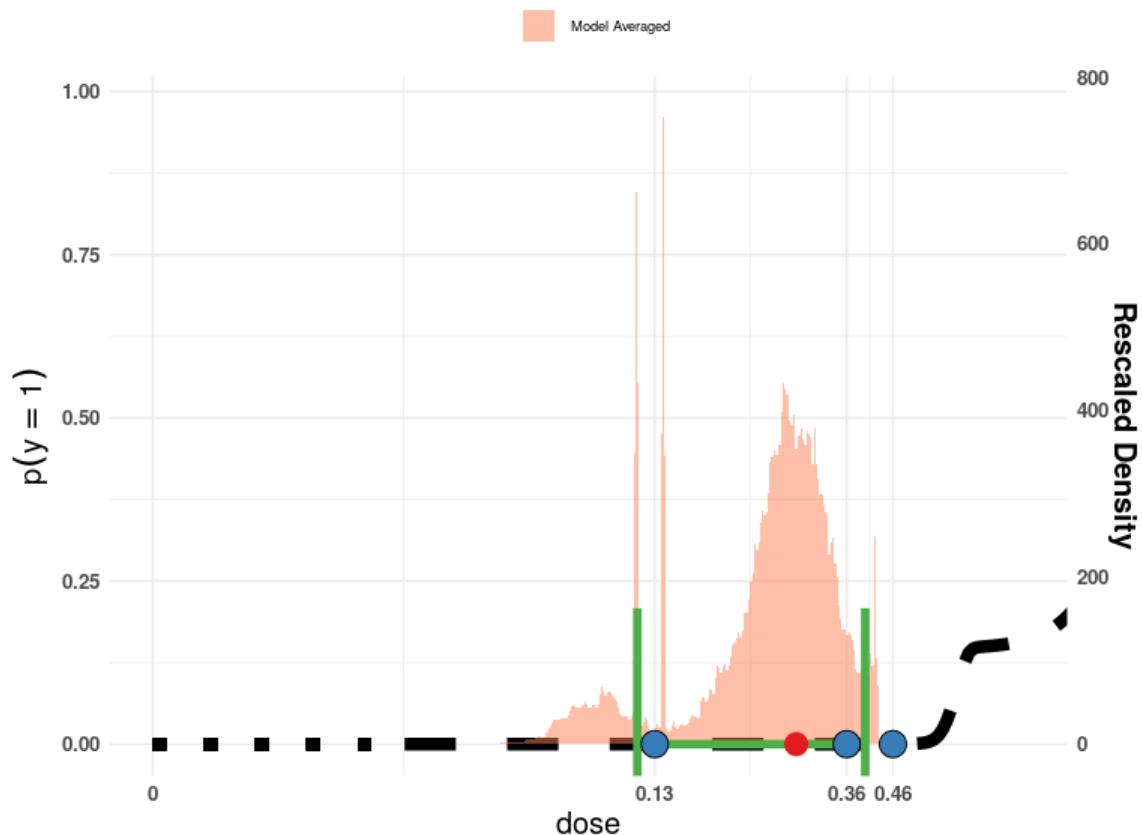
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Model Averaged	BS		0.119	0.275	0.397

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.187	0.266	0.338	0.137	1
IE4_Q	0.248	0.324	0.411	0.180	1
H4_Q	0.188	0.267	0.338	0.140	1
LN4_Q	0.223	0.302	0.419	0.299	0
G4_Q	0.083	0.206	0.262	0.098	0
QE4_Q	0.018	0.036	0.056	0.000	1
P4_Q	0.137	0.211	0.325	0.073	0
L4_Q	0.118	0.208	0.330	0.073	0

Plots of Fitted Models





James et al. (2015) ischemic heart disease, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for ischemic heart disease

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	Person.years
0.34	58	4806
0.76	20	1335
0.97	14	534
1.30	4	98

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.00061078.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.01194757; the most likely: 0.01206825; max: 0.01218893. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

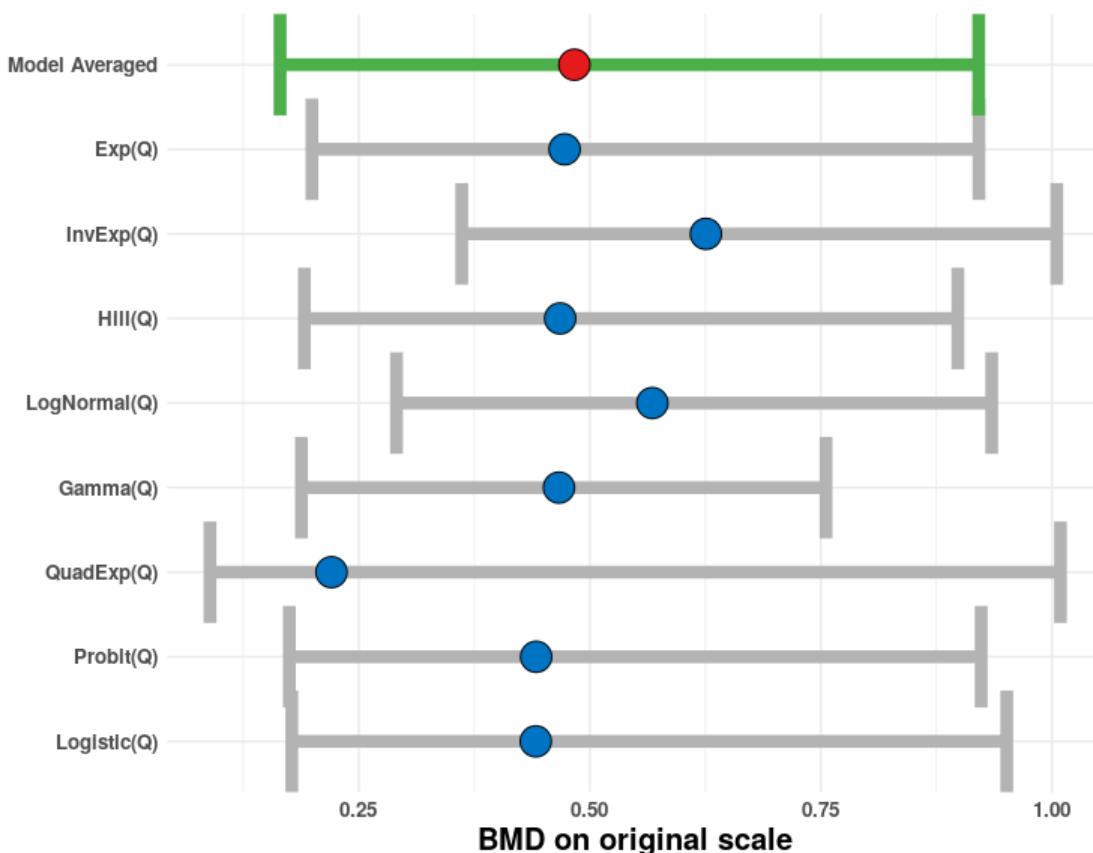
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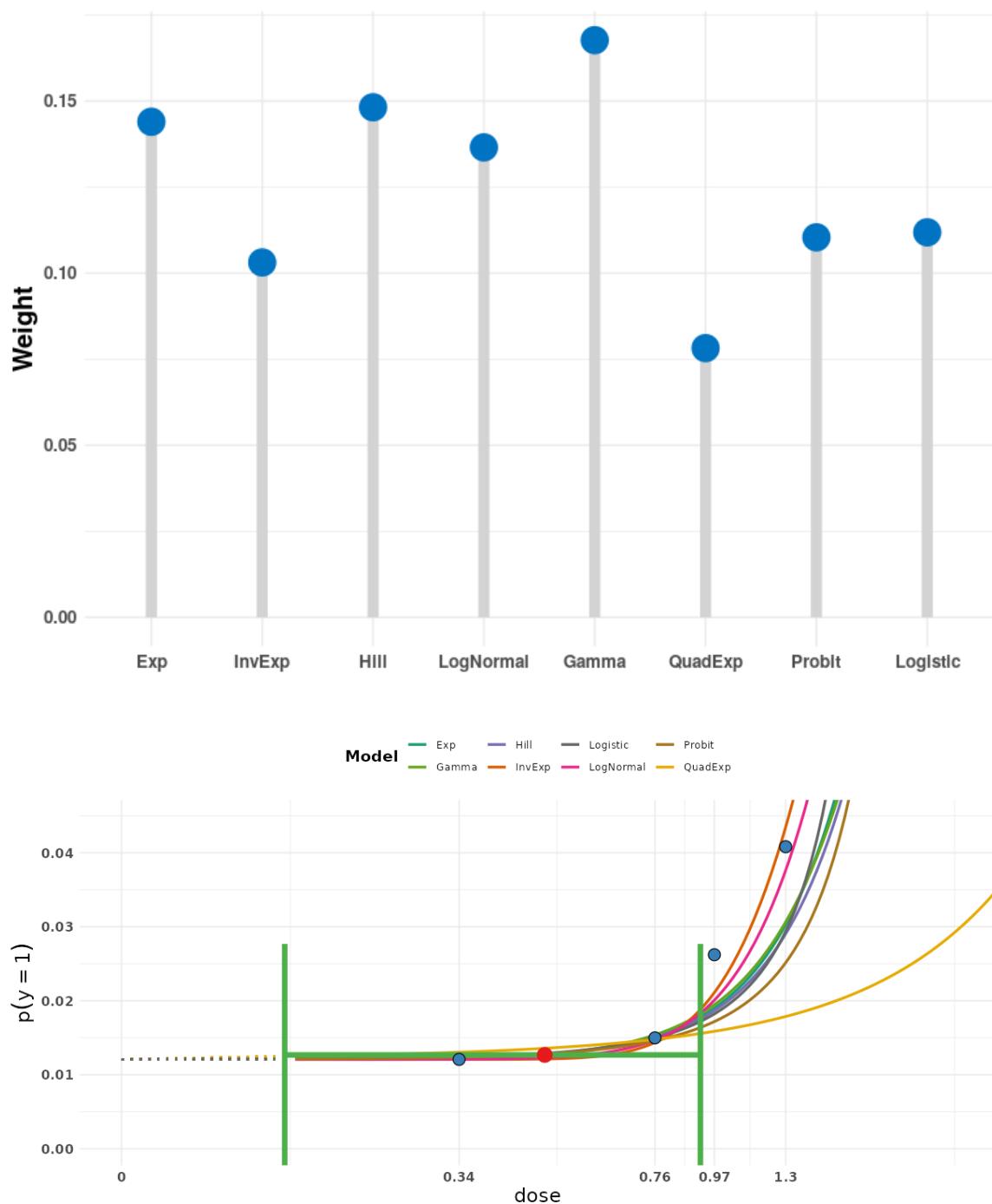
Model Averaged BMD

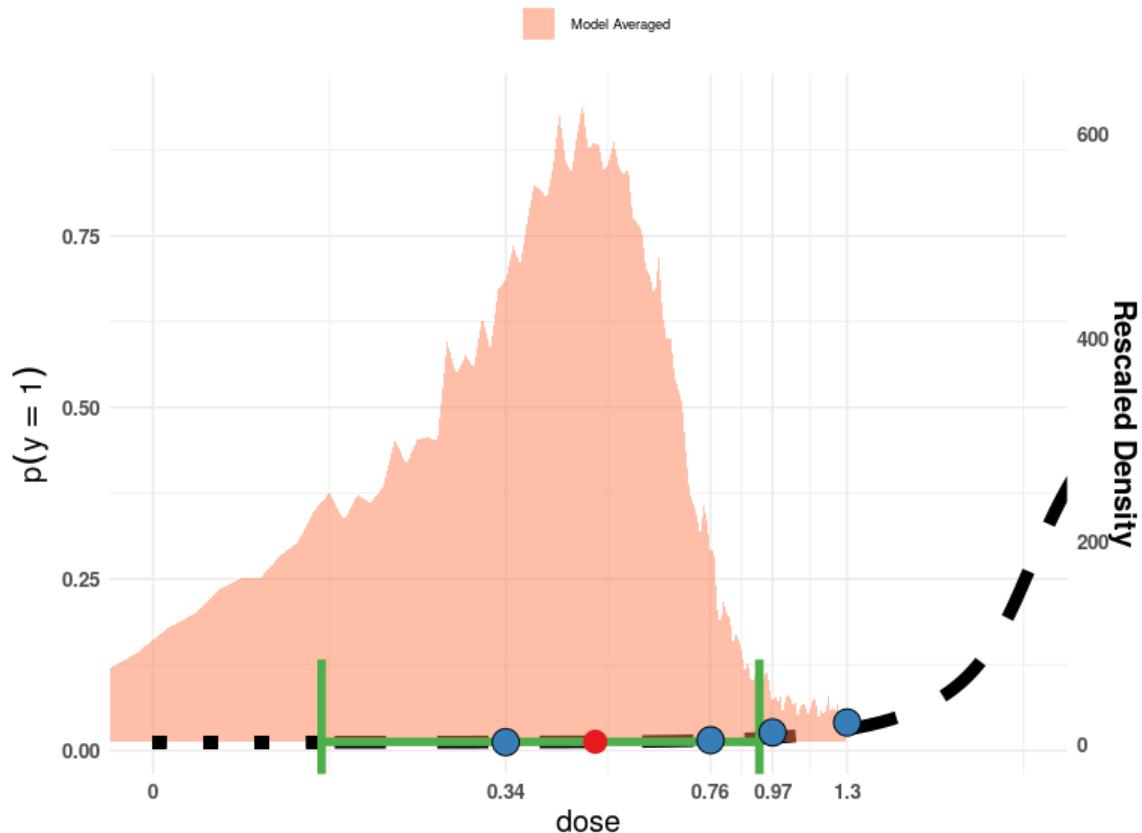
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.165	0.483	0.921

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.199	0.473	0.921	0.144	1
IE4_Q	0.361	0.626	1.005	0.103	1
H4_Q	0.191	0.468	0.898	0.148	1
LN4_Q	0.291	0.568	0.935	0.137	1
G4_Q	0.188	0.467	0.756	0.168	1
QE4_Q	0.089	0.220	1.009	0.078	1
P4_Q	0.175	0.442	0.923	0.110	1
L4_Q	0.178	0.441	0.951	0.112	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Leonardi et al. (2012) skin cancer, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for skin cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure	Adj.cases	N
0.12	59	4e+05
0.13	82	4e+05
0.20	70	4e+05
0.39	101	4e+05
2.11	179	4e+05

The 'Value for CES' is set to 7.38e-06.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00014603; the most likely: 0.00014750; max: 0.00014898. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

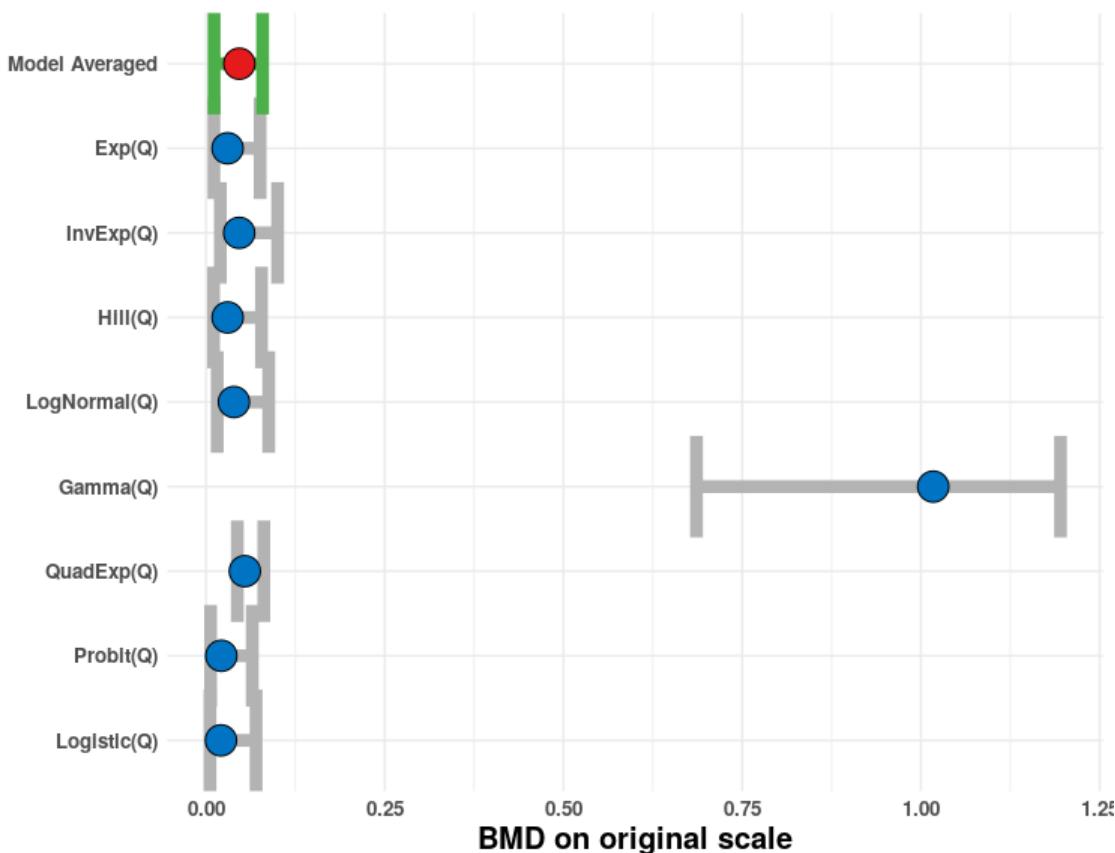
Best fitting model fits sufficiently well (Bayes factor is 9.72e-06).

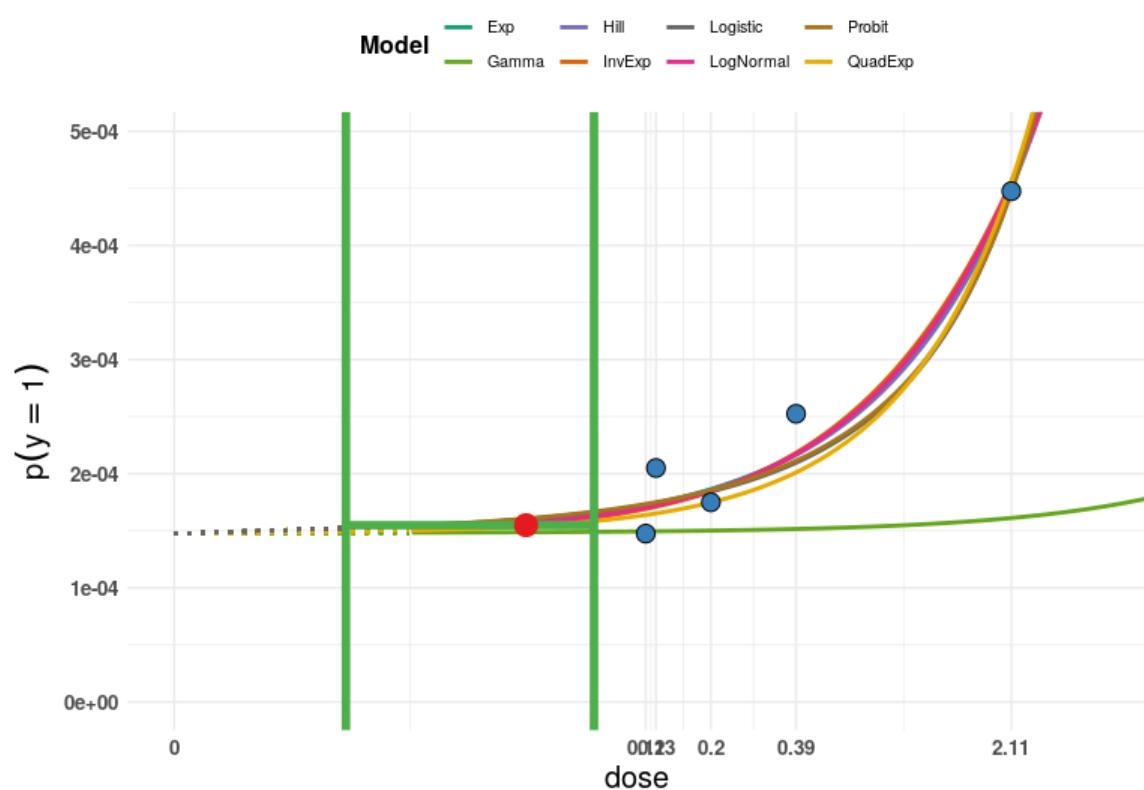
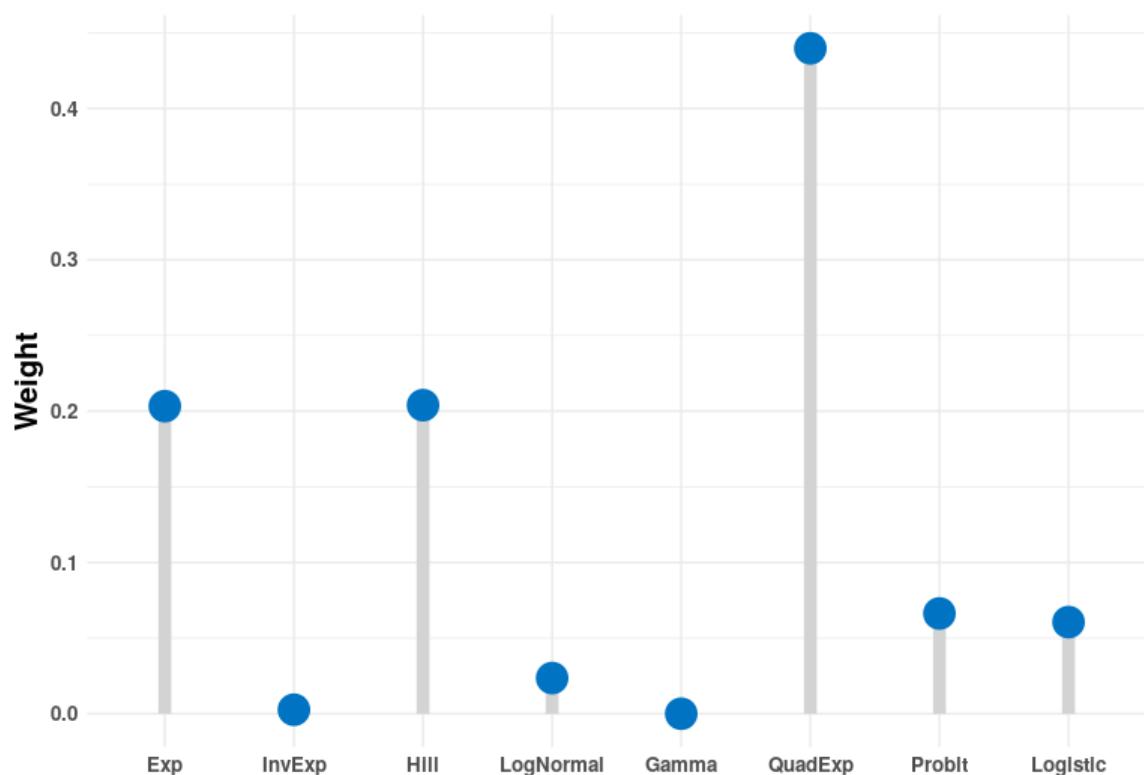
Model Averaged BMD

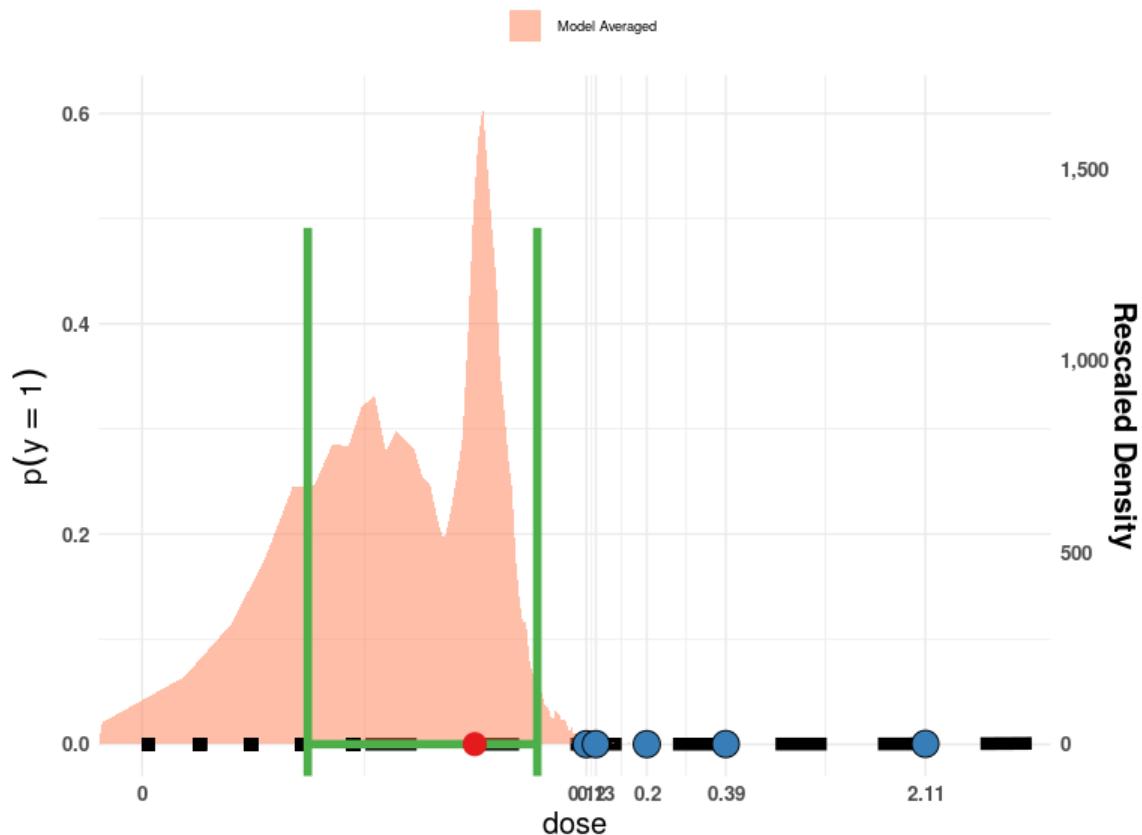
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.011	0.047	0.079

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.011	0.030	0.076	0.203	1
IE4_Q	0.020	0.046	0.100	0.003	1
H4_Q	0.011	0.030	0.078	0.204	1
LN4_Q	0.016	0.039	0.088	0.024	1
G4_Q	0.686	1.017	1.195	0.000	0
QE4_Q	0.044	0.054	0.081	0.440	1
P4_Q	0.006	0.021	0.065	0.066	1
L4_Q	0.006	0.021	0.070	0.061	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Milton et al. (2005) neonatal death, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for neonatal death

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
2.91	19	176
6.58	14	53
8.36	53	304

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.006050955.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.10255682; the most likely: 0.107954545; max: 0.113352273. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

The results do not fulfill the EFSA BMD guidance (EFSA Scientific Committee, 2022) criteria since none of the candidate models fit the data sufficiently well.

Goodness of Fit

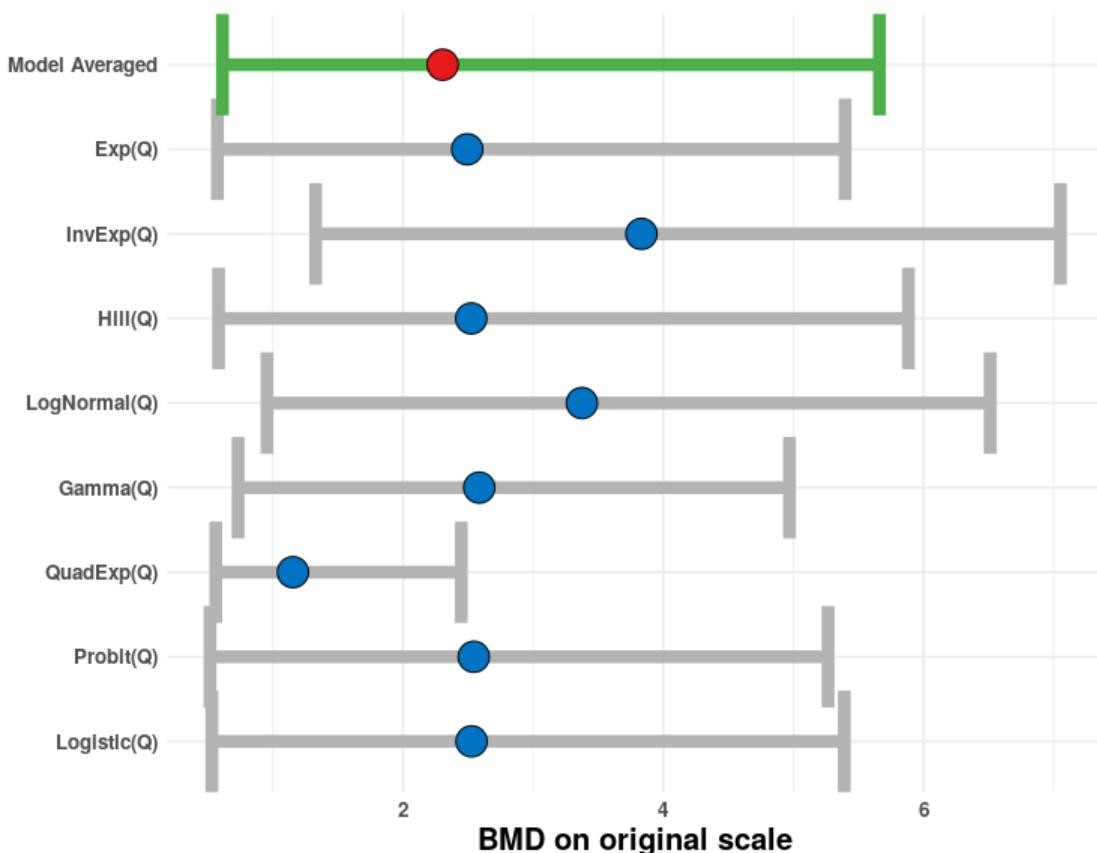
None of the models provide an adequate fit do the data (Bayes factor is 1.08e+01).

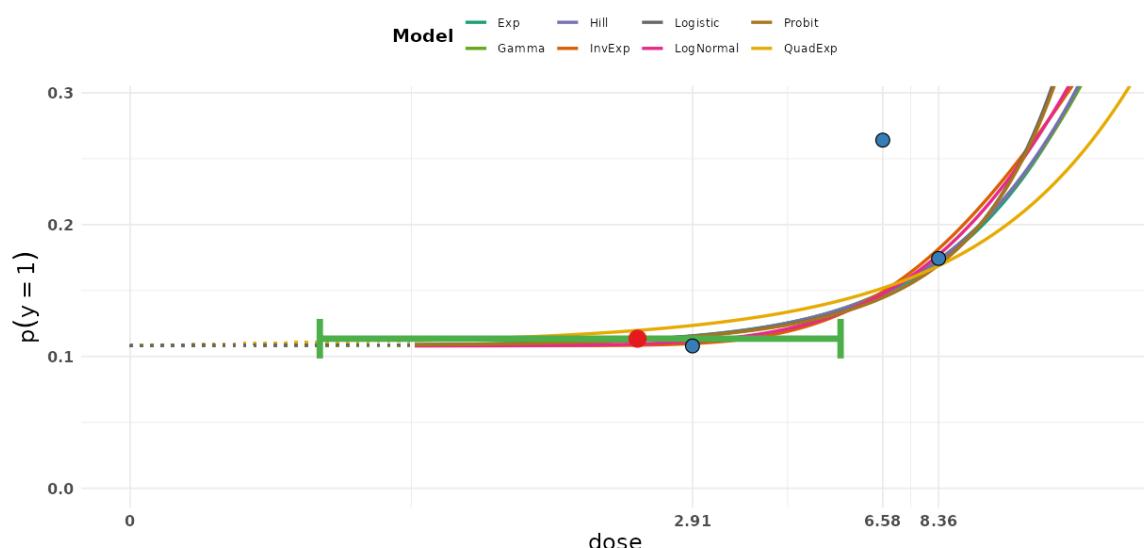
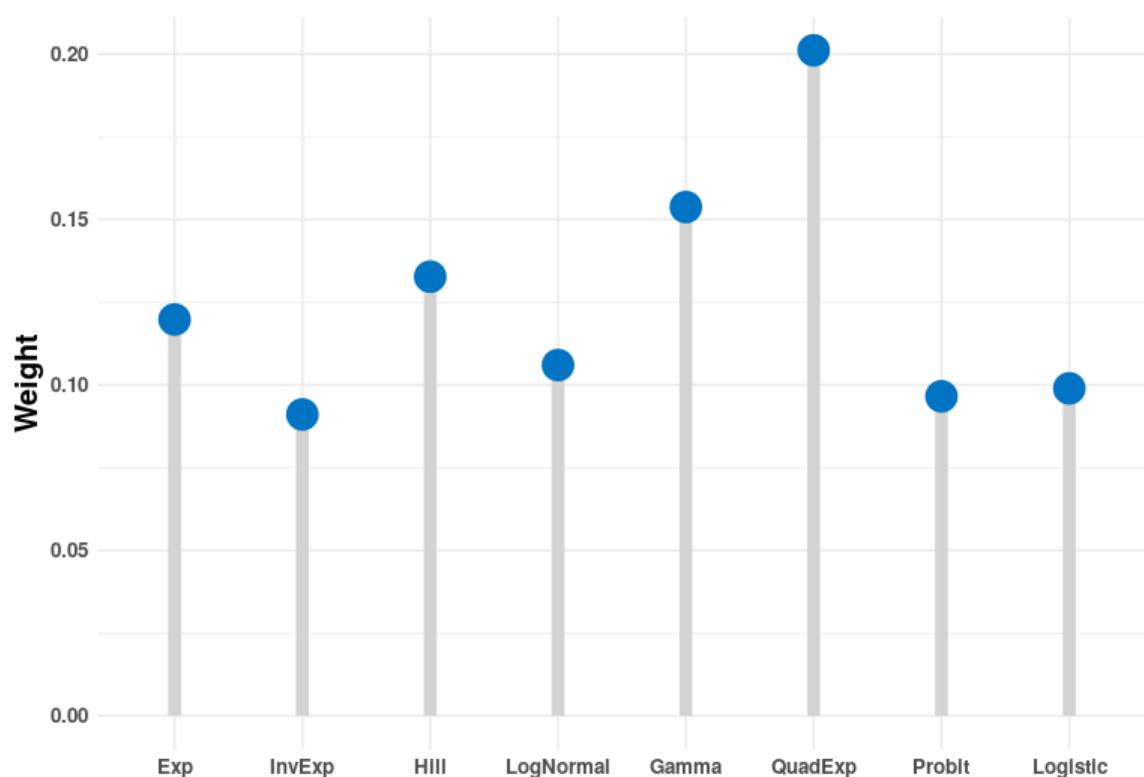
Model Averaged BMD

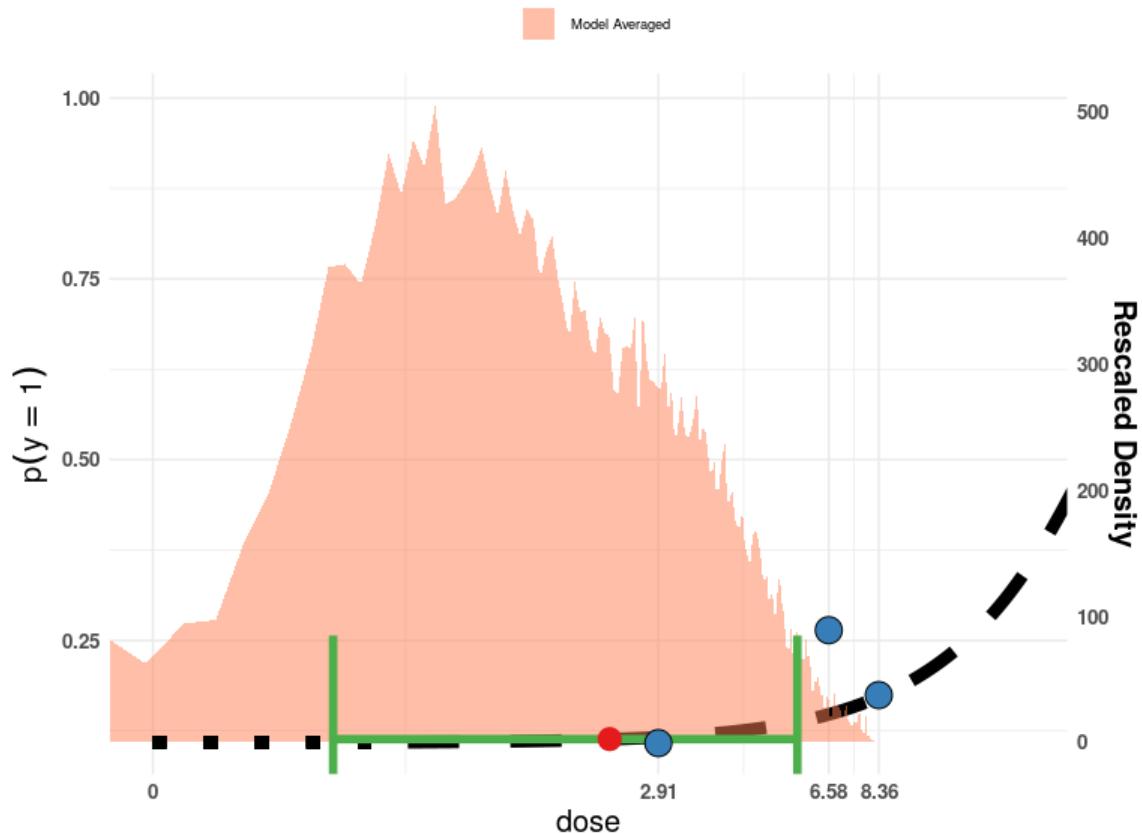
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.613	2.305	5.661

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.575	2.494	5.397	0.120	1
IE4_Q	1.329	3.833	7.052	0.091	1
H4_Q	0.584	2.525	5.884	0.133	1
LN4_Q	0.956	3.375	6.512	0.106	1
G4_Q	0.734	2.586	4.970	0.154	1
QE4_Q	0.562	1.155	2.448	0.201	1
P4_Q	0.518	2.544	5.266	0.097	1
L4_Q	0.532	2.527	5.391	0.099	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Milton et al. (2005) spontaneous abortion, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for spontaneous abortion

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
2.91	17	176
6.58	11	53
8.36	63	304

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.00534591.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.09562500; the most likely; 0.09659091; max: 0.09755682. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

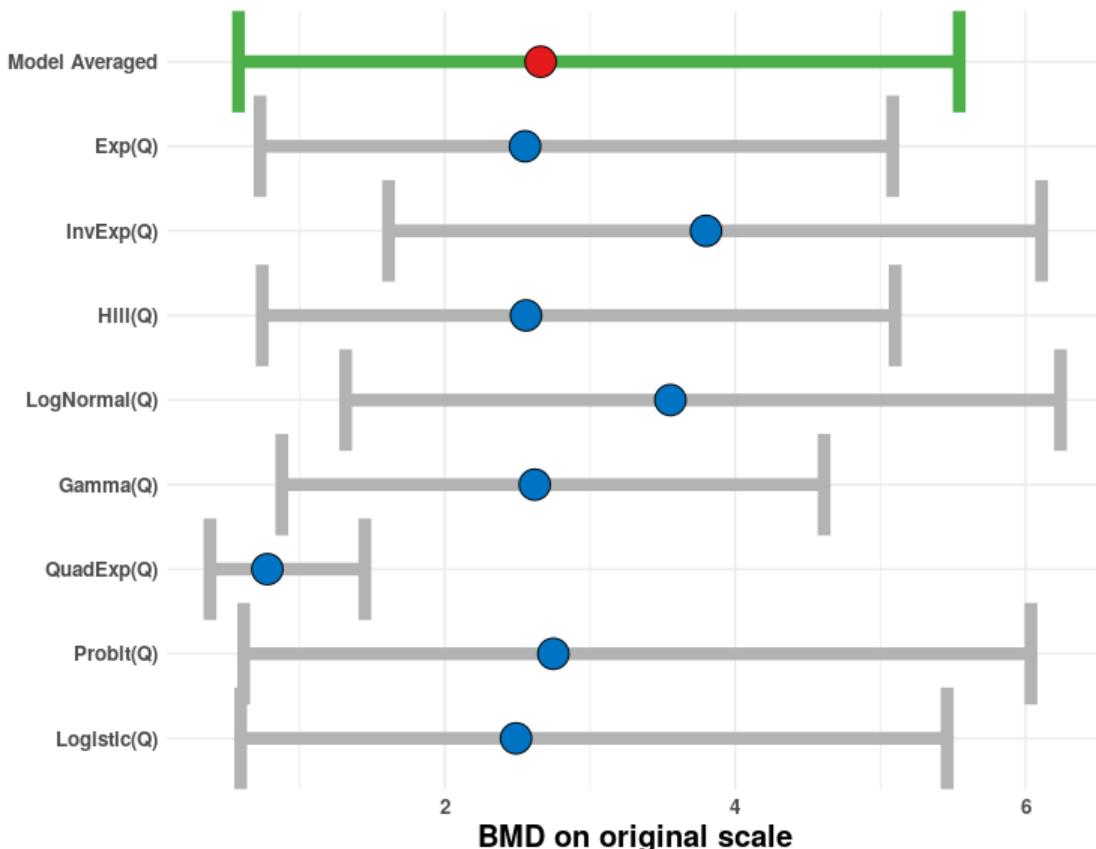
Best fitting model fits sufficiently well (Bayes factor is 1.56e+00).

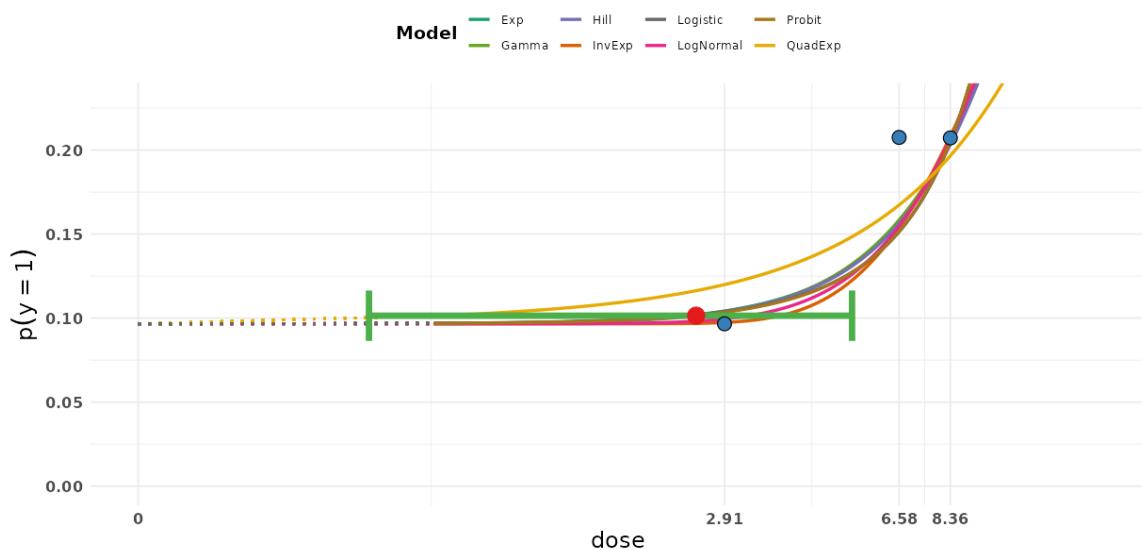
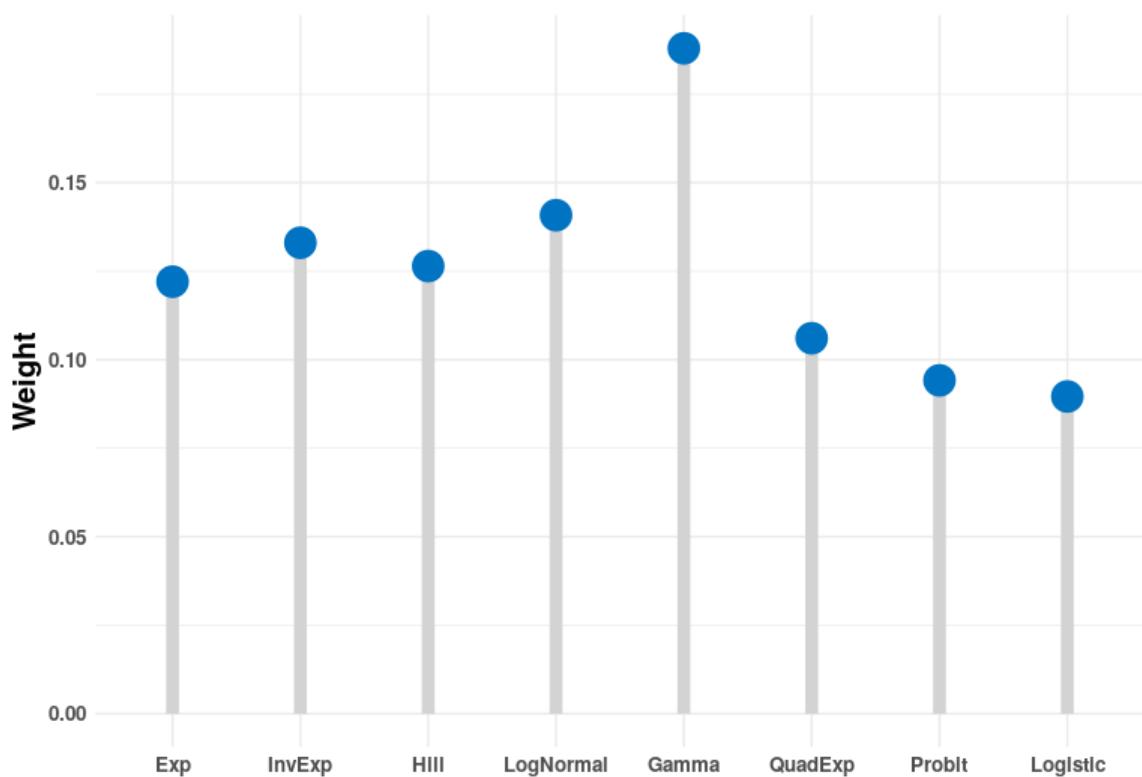
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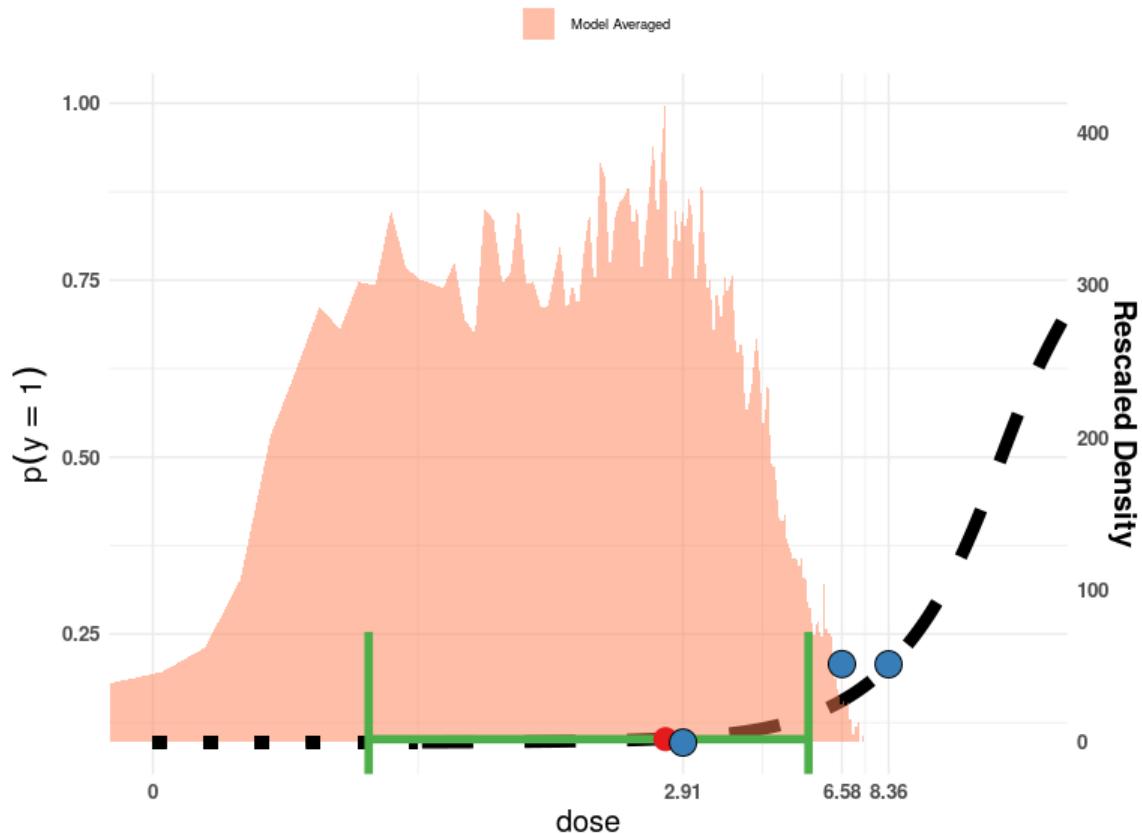
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.579	2.66	5.543

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.727	2.553	5.085	0.122	1
IE4_Q	1.613	3.799	6.110	0.133	1
H4_Q	0.743	2.559	5.102	0.126	1
LN4_Q	1.317	3.554	6.240	0.141	1
G4_Q	0.877	2.619	4.612	0.188	0
QE4_Q	0.383	0.778	1.450	0.106	1
P4_Q	0.615	2.747	6.037	0.094	0
L4_Q	0.593	2.491	5.460	0.090	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Milton et al. (2005) stillbirth, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for stillbirth

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
2.91	11	176
6.58	4	53
8.36	48	304

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.00333333.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.06187500; the most likely; 0.06250000; max: 0.06312500. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

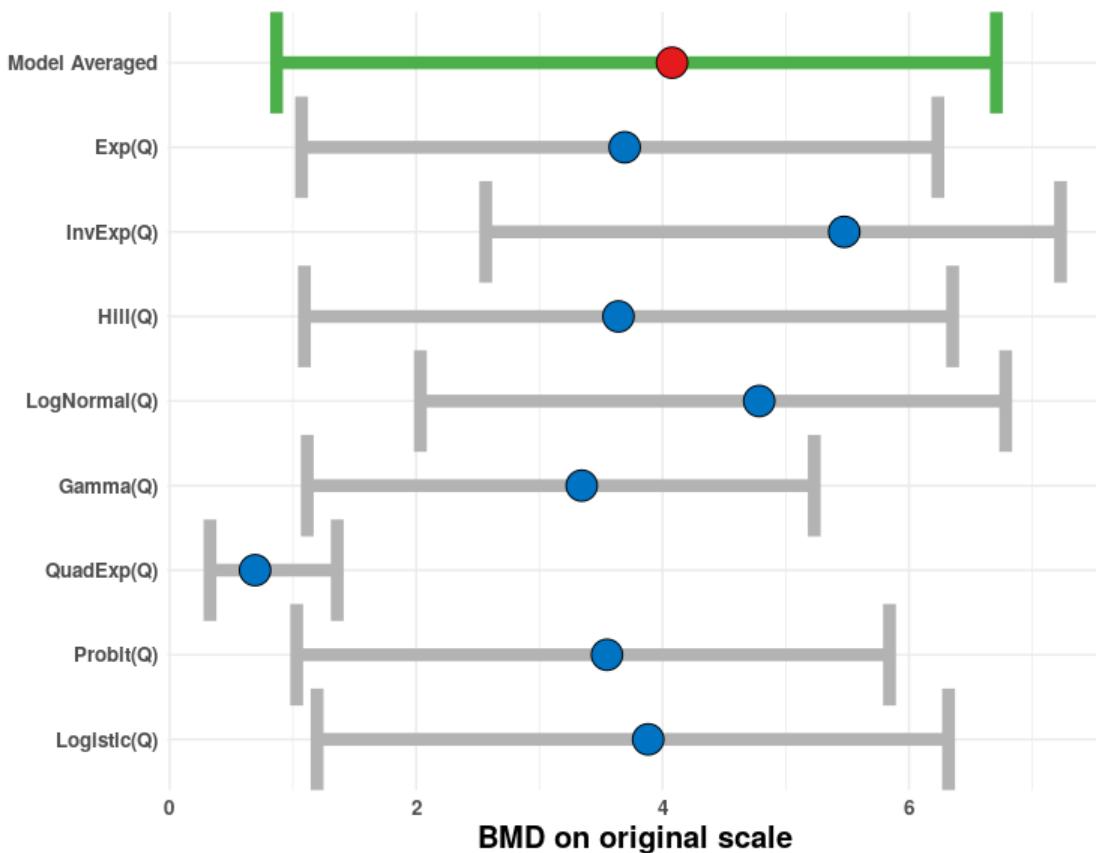
Best fitting model fits sufficiently well (Bayes factor is 9.91e-01).

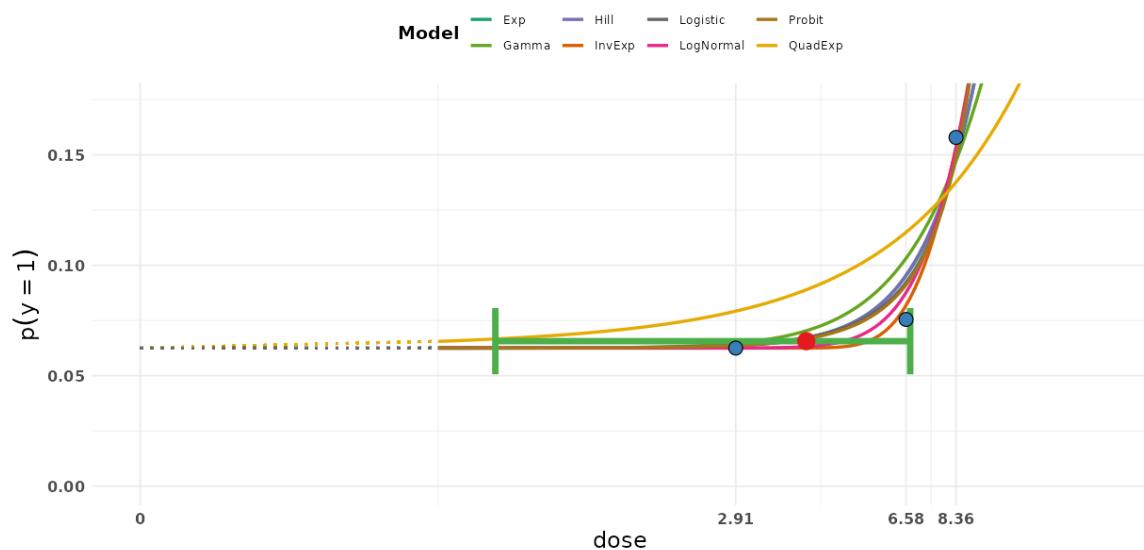
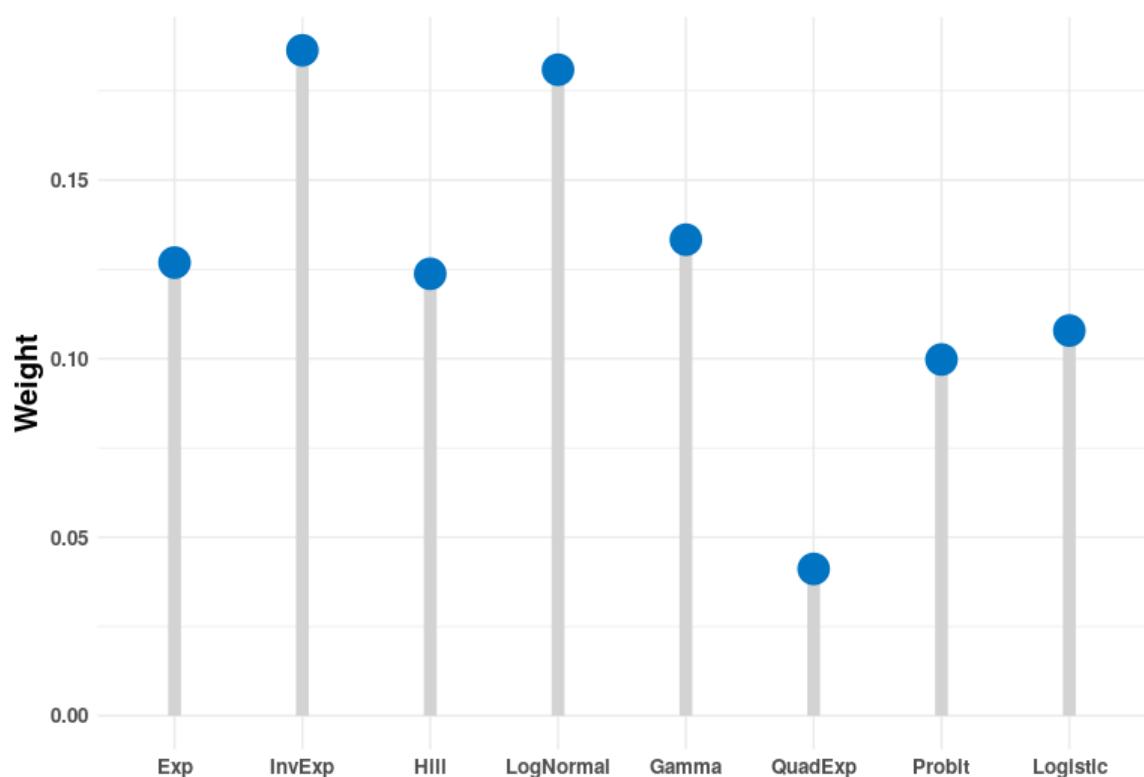
Model Averaged BMD

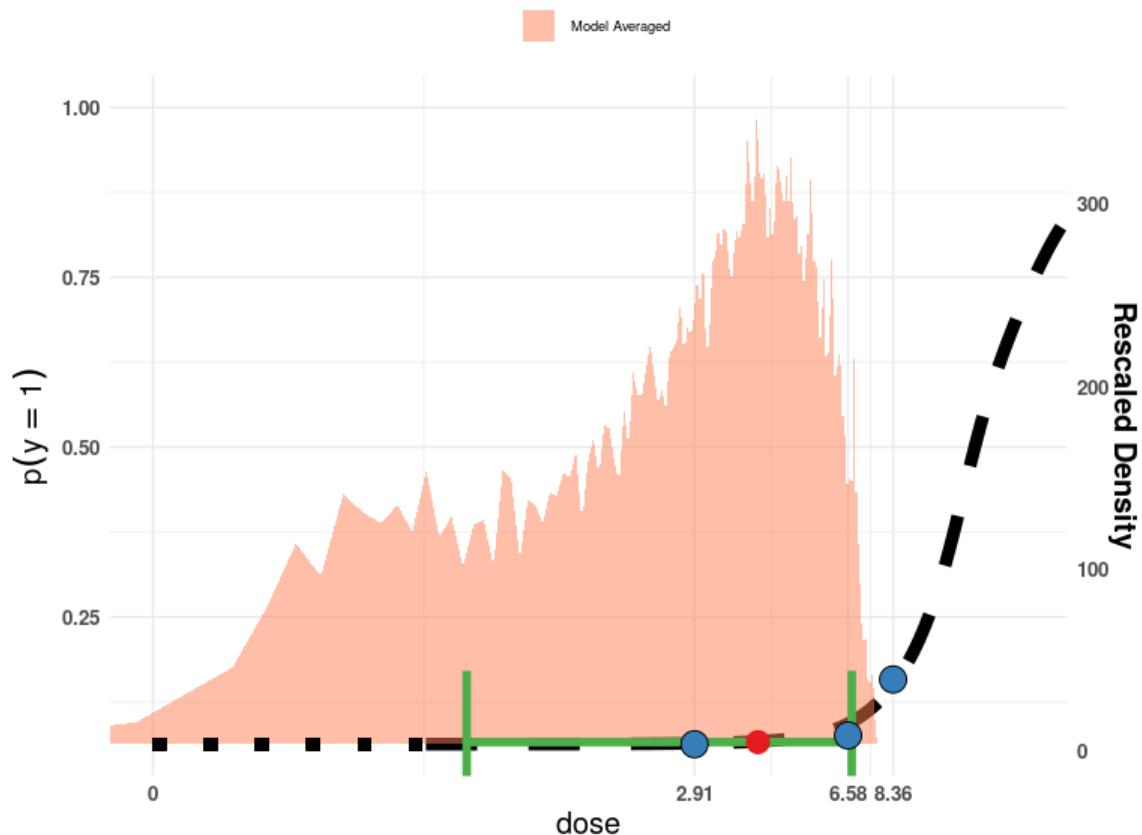
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.867	4.077	6.709

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	1.071	3.693	6.234	0.127	1
IE4_Q	2.565	5.474	7.229	0.186	1
H4_Q	1.094	3.642	6.354	0.124	1
LN4_Q	2.035	4.784	6.785	0.181	1
G4_Q	1.117	3.344	5.231	0.133	1
QE4_Q	0.327	0.693	1.360	0.041	1
P4_Q	1.031	3.549	5.842	0.100	1
L4_Q	1.197	3.883	6.321	0.108	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Moon et al. (2013) ischemic heart disease, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for ischemic heart disease

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	Person.years
0.089	207	12447
0.150	212	12136
0.250	187	11805
0.440	240	11075

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.00084559.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.01646421; the most likely: 0.01663051; max: 0.01679682. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

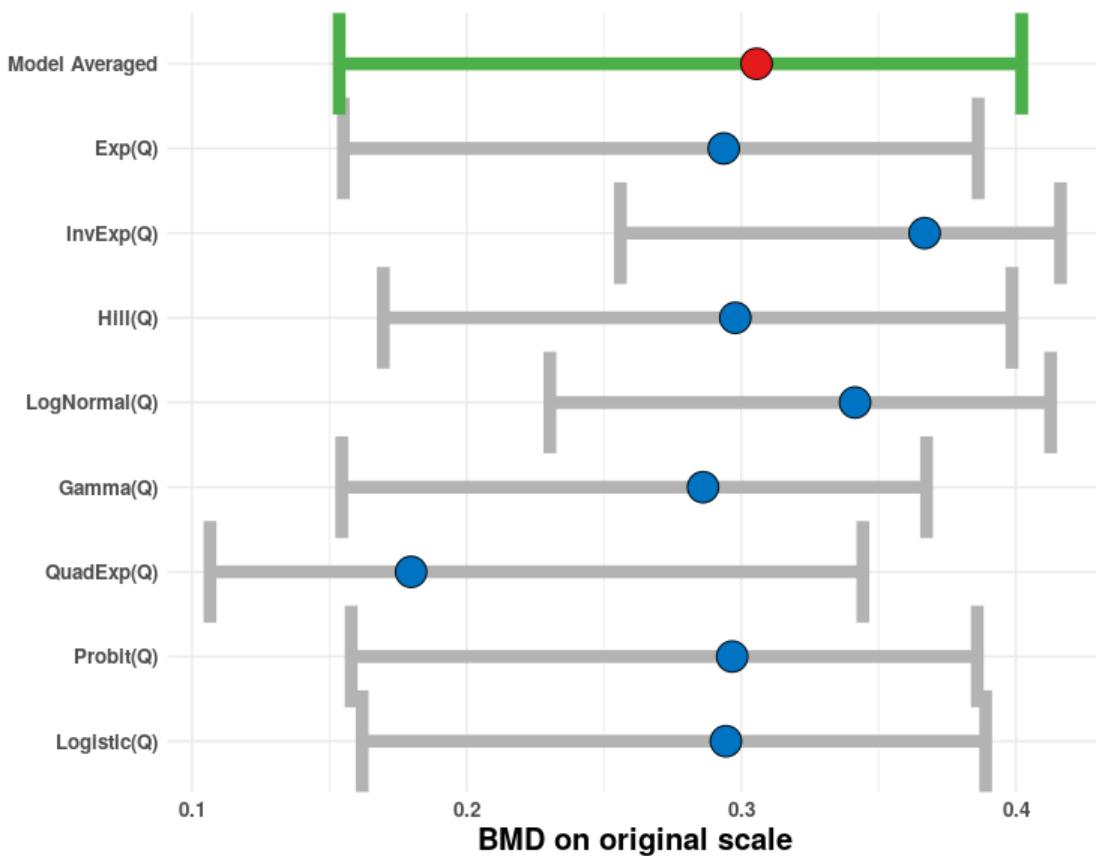
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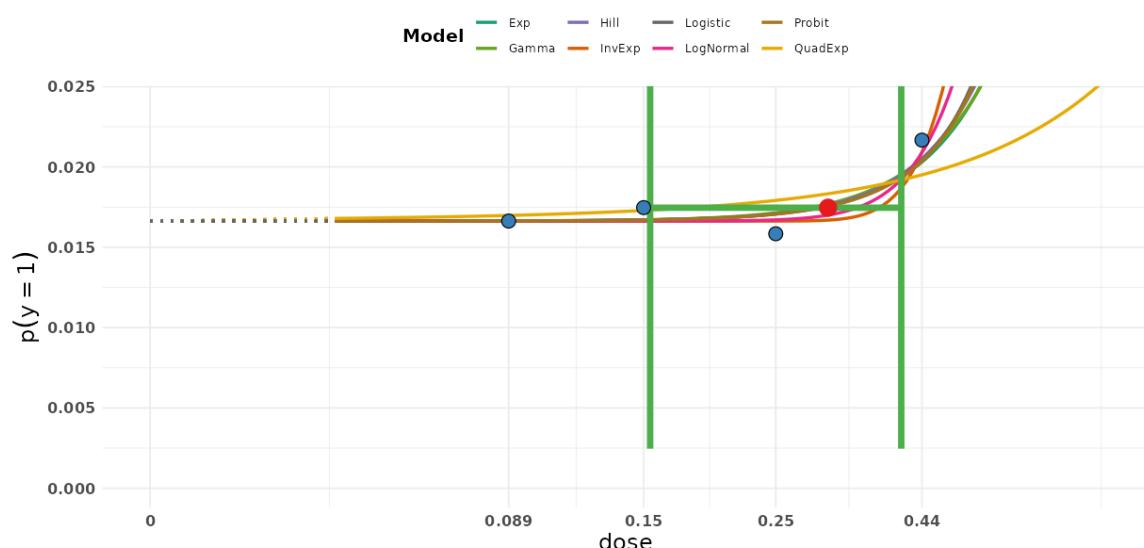
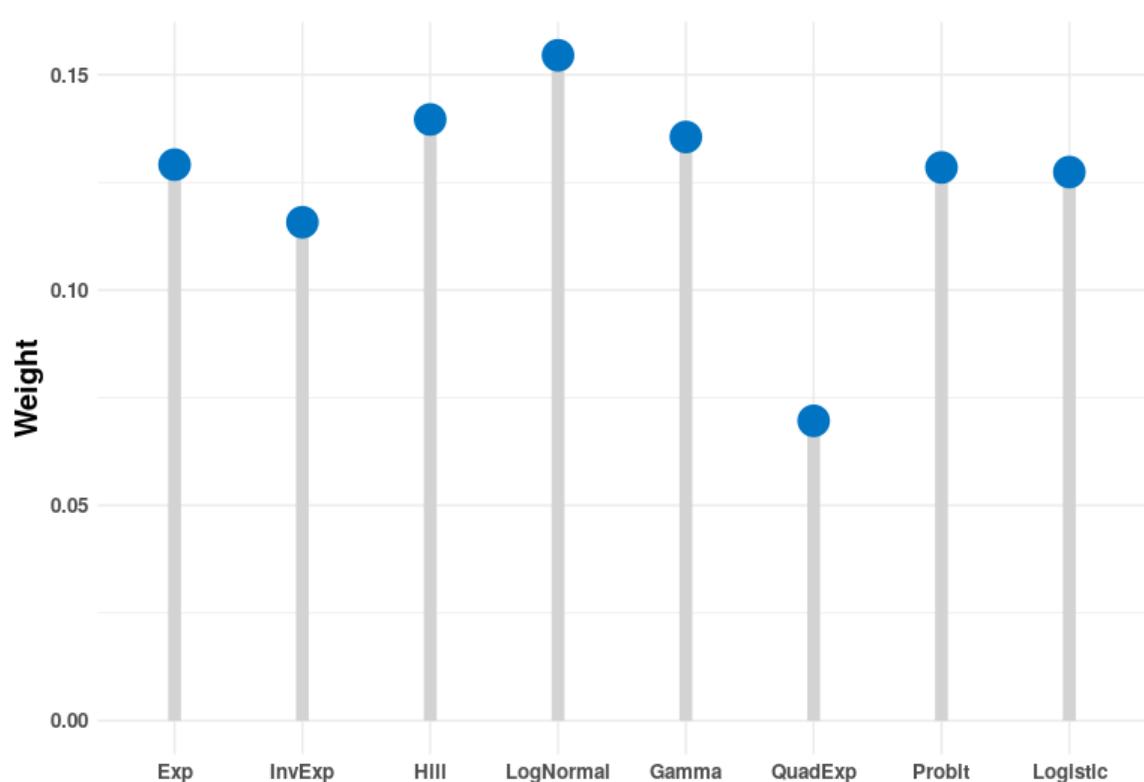
Model Averaged BMD

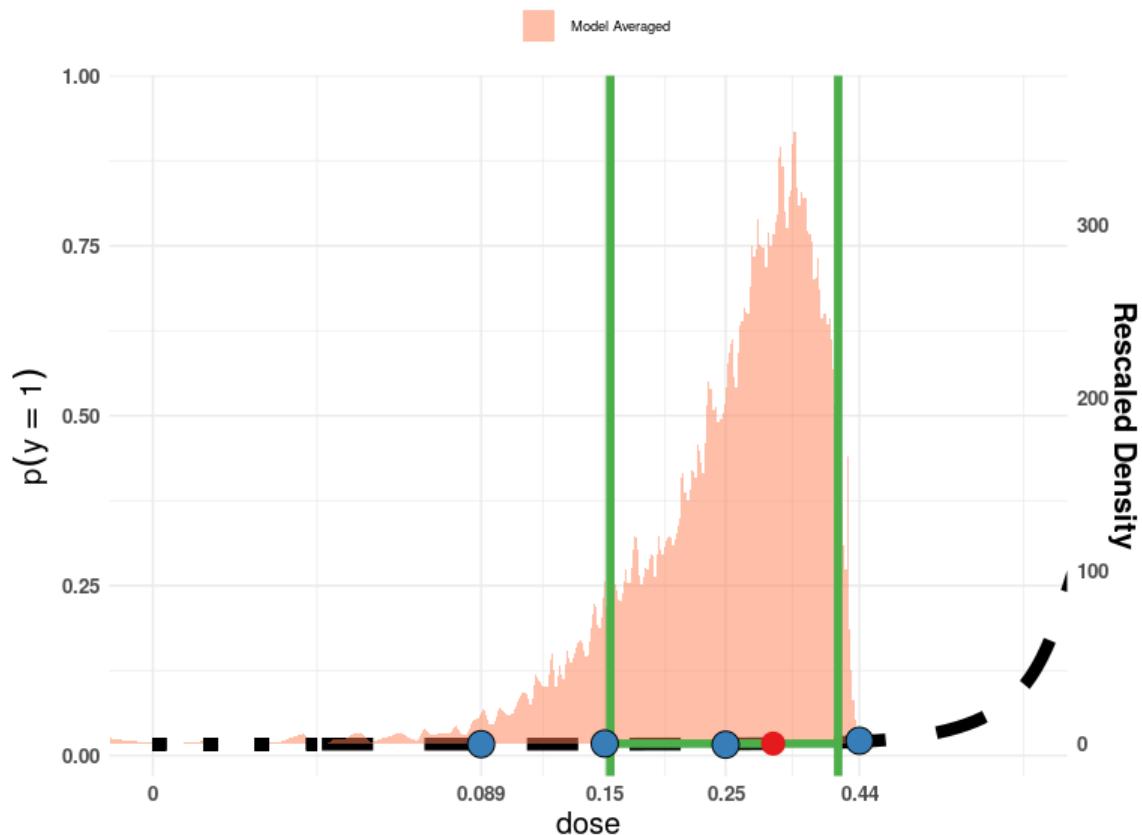
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.154	0.306	0.402

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.155	0.294	0.386	0.129	1
IE4_Q	0.256	0.367	0.416	0.116	1
H4_Q	0.170	0.298	0.399	0.140	1
LN4_Q	0.230	0.341	0.413	0.155	1
G4_Q	0.155	0.286	0.367	0.136	1
QE4_Q	0.107	0.180	0.344	0.070	1
P4_Q	0.158	0.297	0.386	0.128	1
L4_Q	0.162	0.294	0.389	0.127	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Parvez et al. (2013) FEV1 (lung function), BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: FEV1 response

Data used for analysis:

Dose	Response	SD	N
1.78	1574	522	312
5.31	1541	522	315
8.15	1494	525	315

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

The results do not fulfill the EFSA BMD guidance (EFSA Scientific Committee, 2022) recommendations since none of the candidate models fit the data sufficiently well.

Check for constant variance coefficient of variation

Distributional assumption of constant variance is met, Bartlett test p-value is 0.9932

Distributional assumption of constant variance (on log-scale) is met, Bartlett test p-value is 0.6173

Goodness of Fit

None of the models provide an adequate fit to the data (Bayes factor is 3.24e+01).

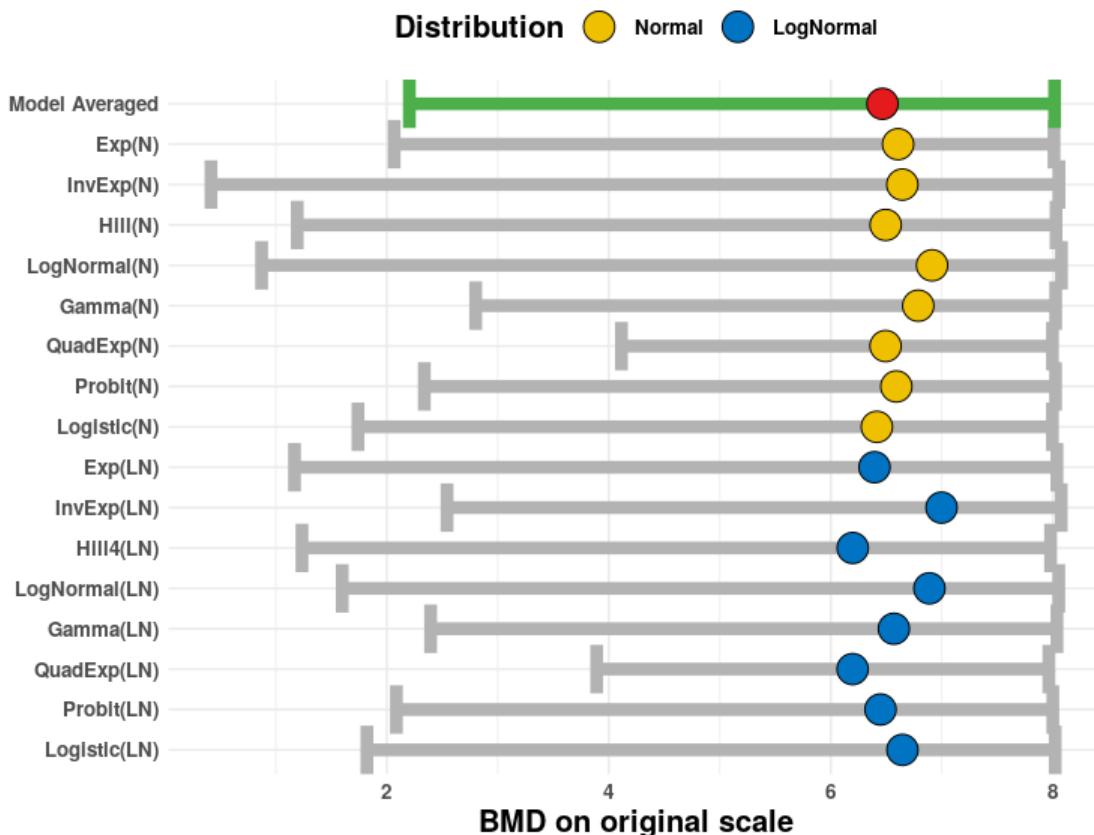
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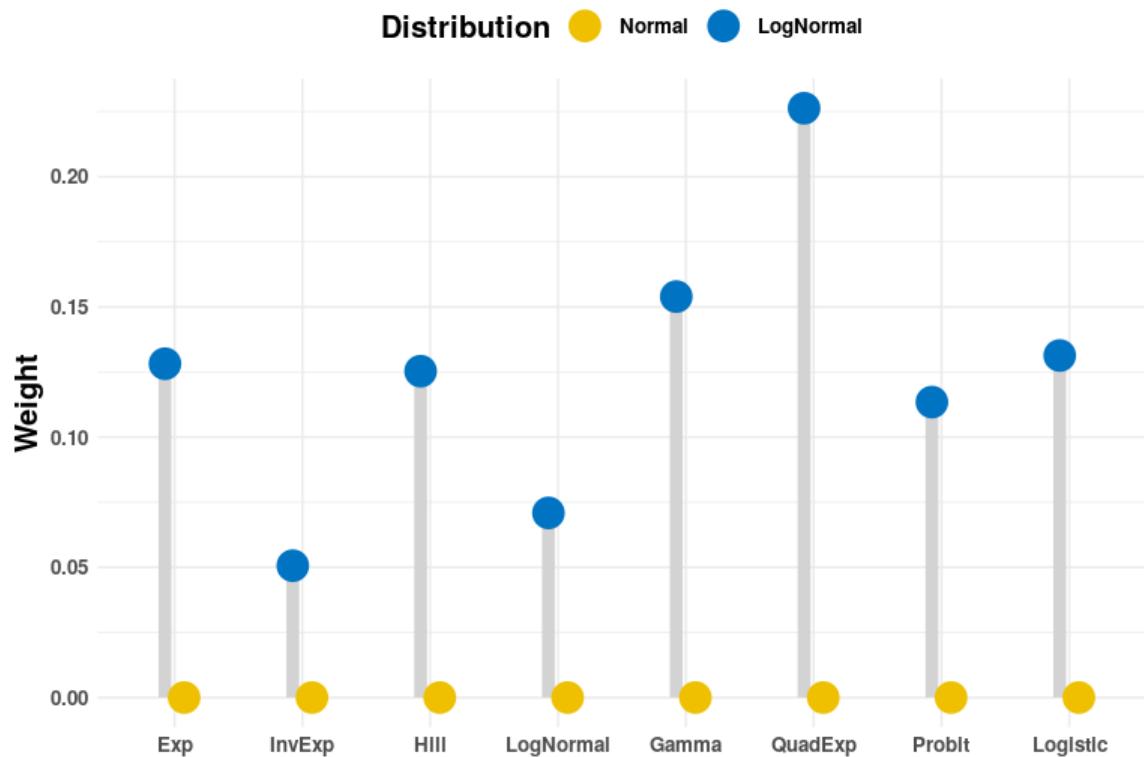
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Model Averaged	BS	2.204	6.465	8.015

Estimated BMDs per model

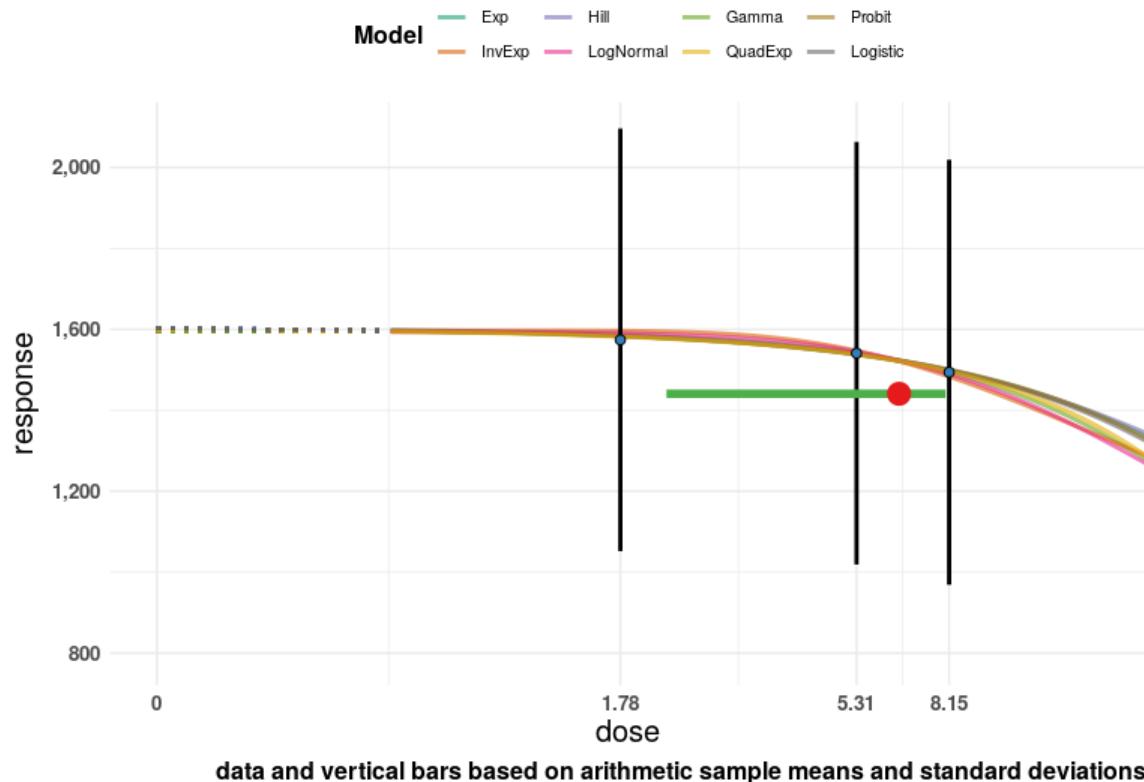
Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_N	2.067	6.606	8.010	0.000	1
IE4_N	0.417	6.644	8.055	0.000	0
H4_N	1.194	6.494	8.029	0.000	0
LN4_N	0.873	6.912	8.077	0.000	0
G4_N	2.801	6.787	8.025	0.000	1
QE4_N	4.114	6.493	7.996	0.000	1
P4_N	2.339	6.590	8.024	0.000	1

L4_N	1.741	6.414	7.996	0.000	0
E4_LN	1.169	6.393	8.036	0.128	0
IE4_LN	2.543	6.997	8.075	0.051	1
H4_LN	1.237	6.197	7.979	0.125	0
LN4_LN	1.599	6.888	8.053	0.071	0
G4_LN	2.395	6.568	8.037	0.154	1
QE4_LN	3.891	6.196	7.964	0.226	1
P4_LN	2.087	6.447	7.999	0.113	1
L4_LN	1.821	6.645	8.021	0.131	1

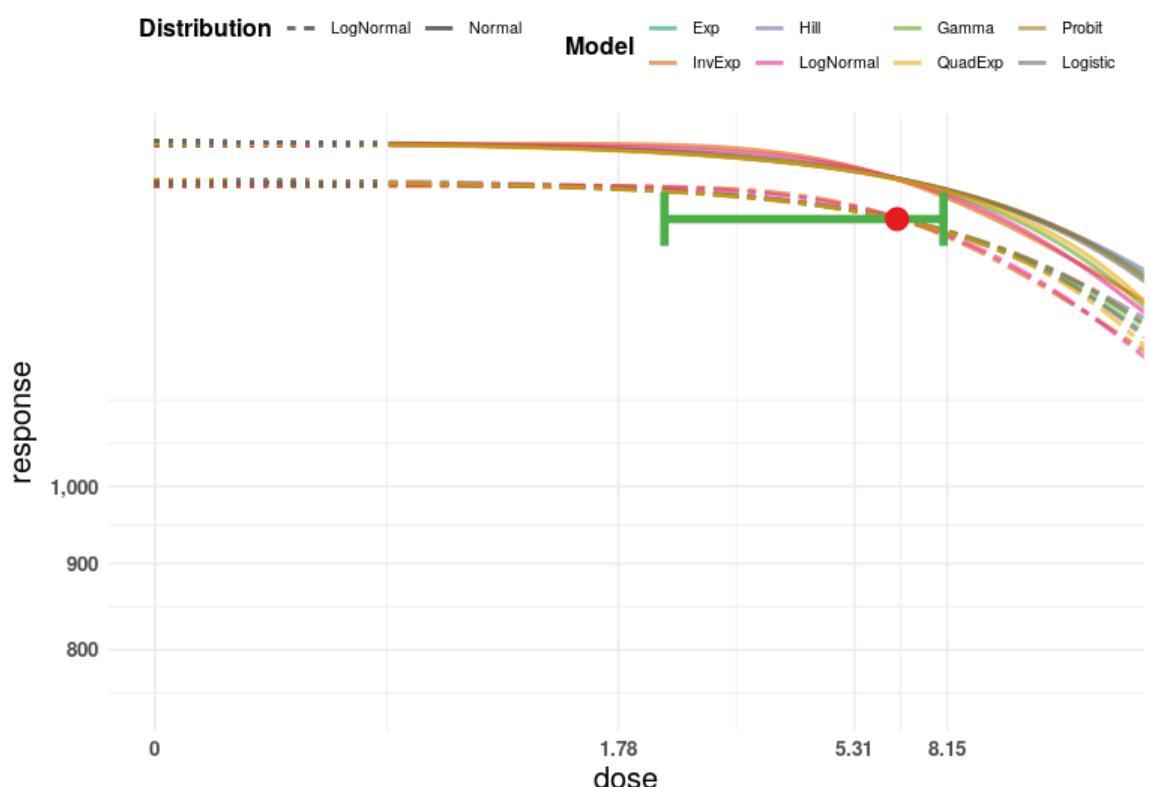
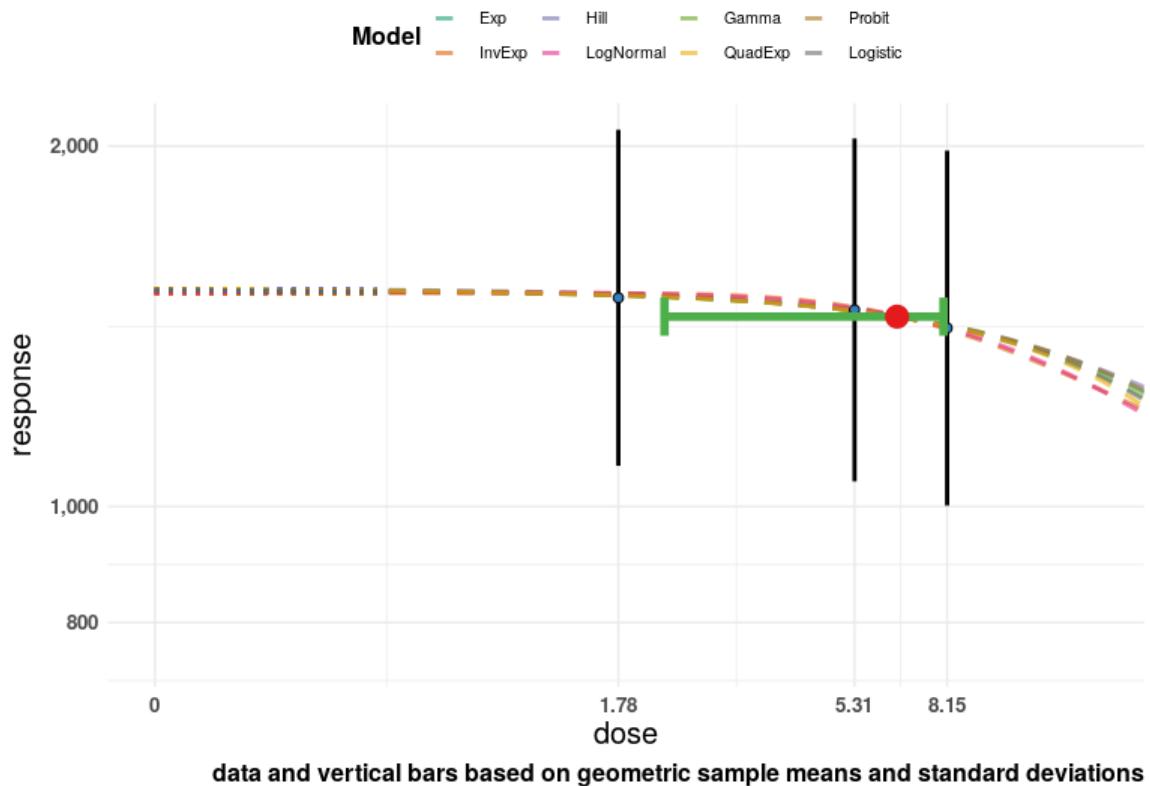
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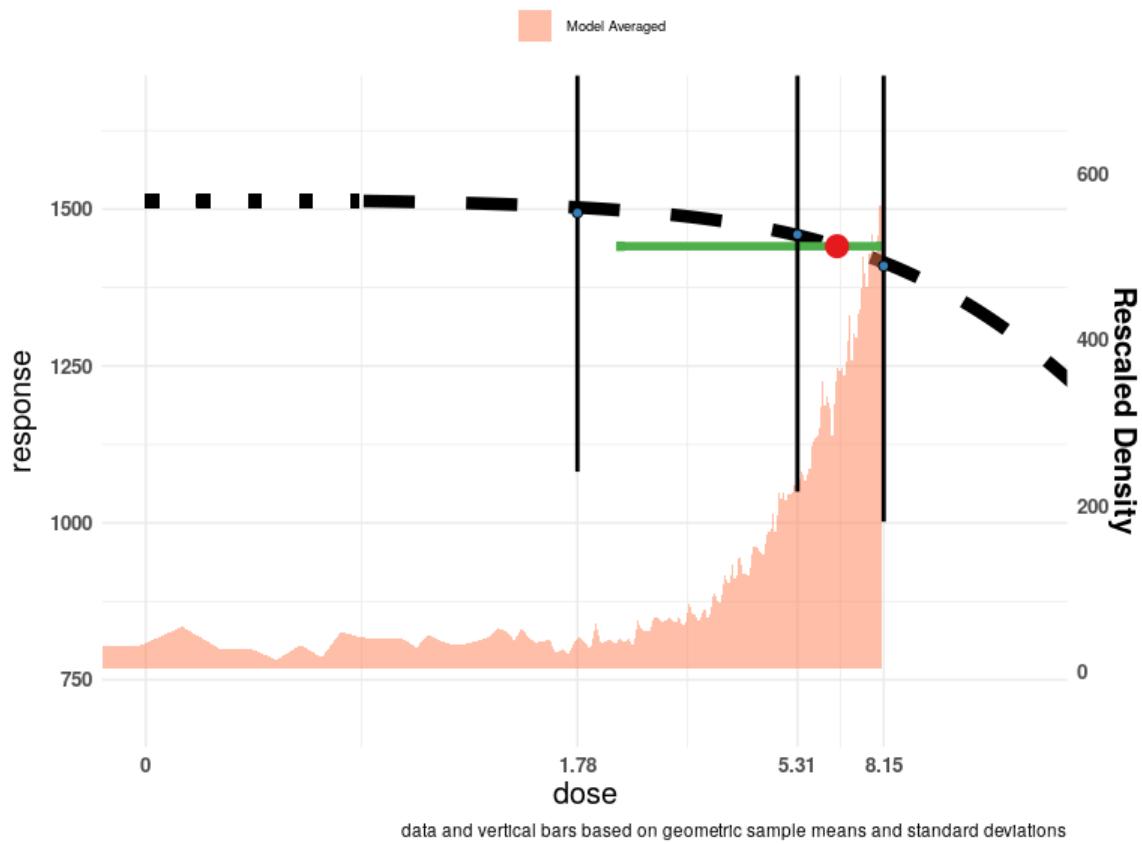


Normal distribution



LogNormal distribution





Parvez et al. (2013) FVC (lung function), BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: FVC response

Data used for analysis:

Dose	Response	SD	N
1.78	2268	538	312
5.31	2254	539	315
8.15	2170	541	315

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

The results do not fulfill the EFSA BMD guidance (EFSA Scientific Committee, 2022) recommendations since none of the candidate models fit the data sufficiently well.

Check for constant variance coefficient of variation

Distributional assumption of constant variance is met, Bartlett test p-value is 0.995

Distributional assumption of constant variance (on log-scale) is met, Bartlett test p-value is 0.6541

Goodness of Fit

None of the models provide an adequate fit to the data (Bayes factor is 5.67e+01).

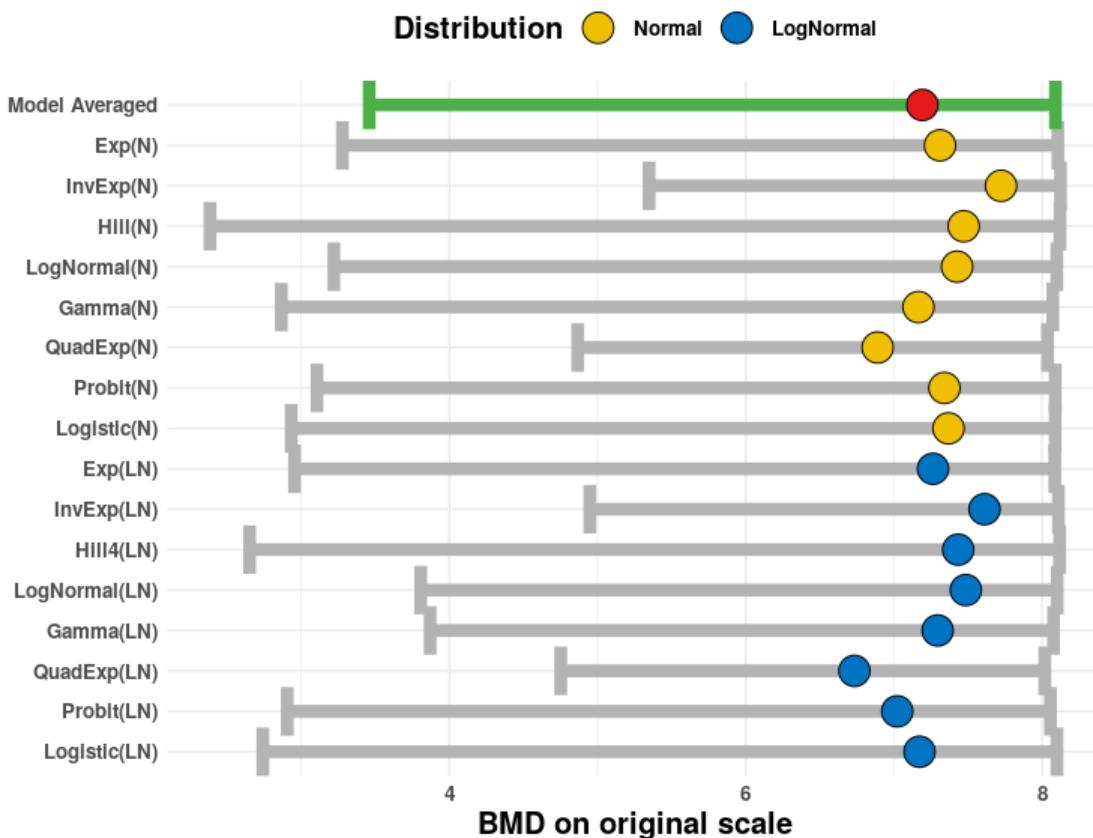
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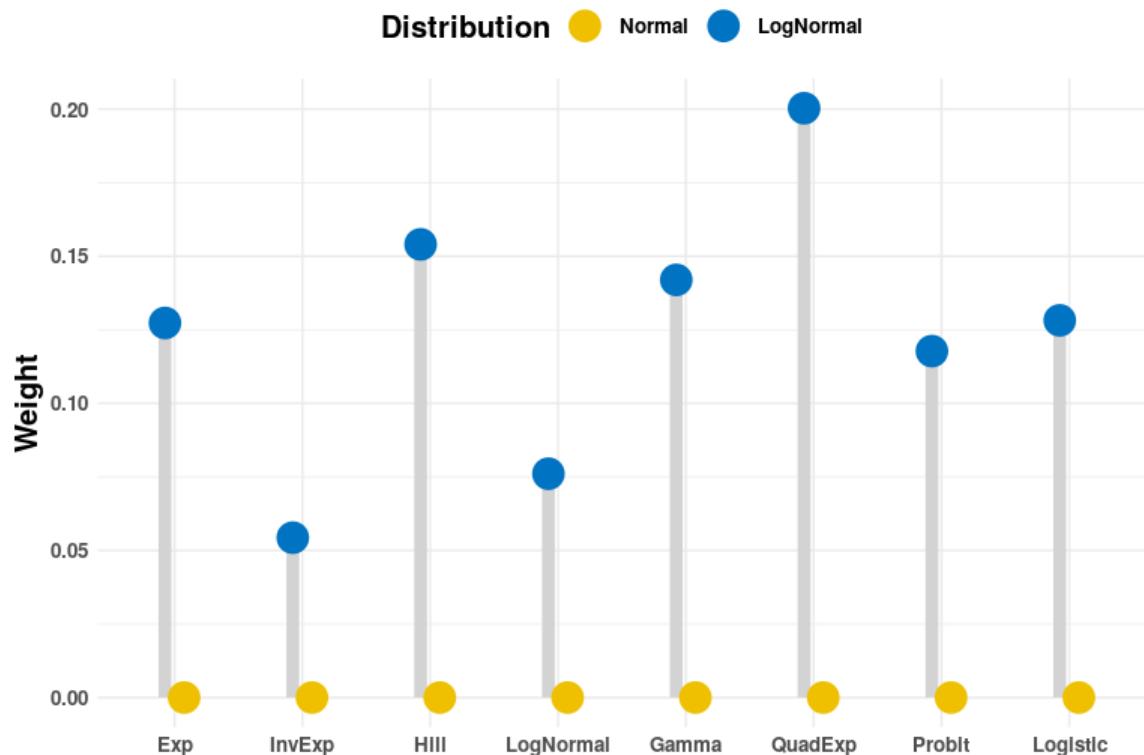
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	3.459	7.192	8.091

Estimated BMDs per model

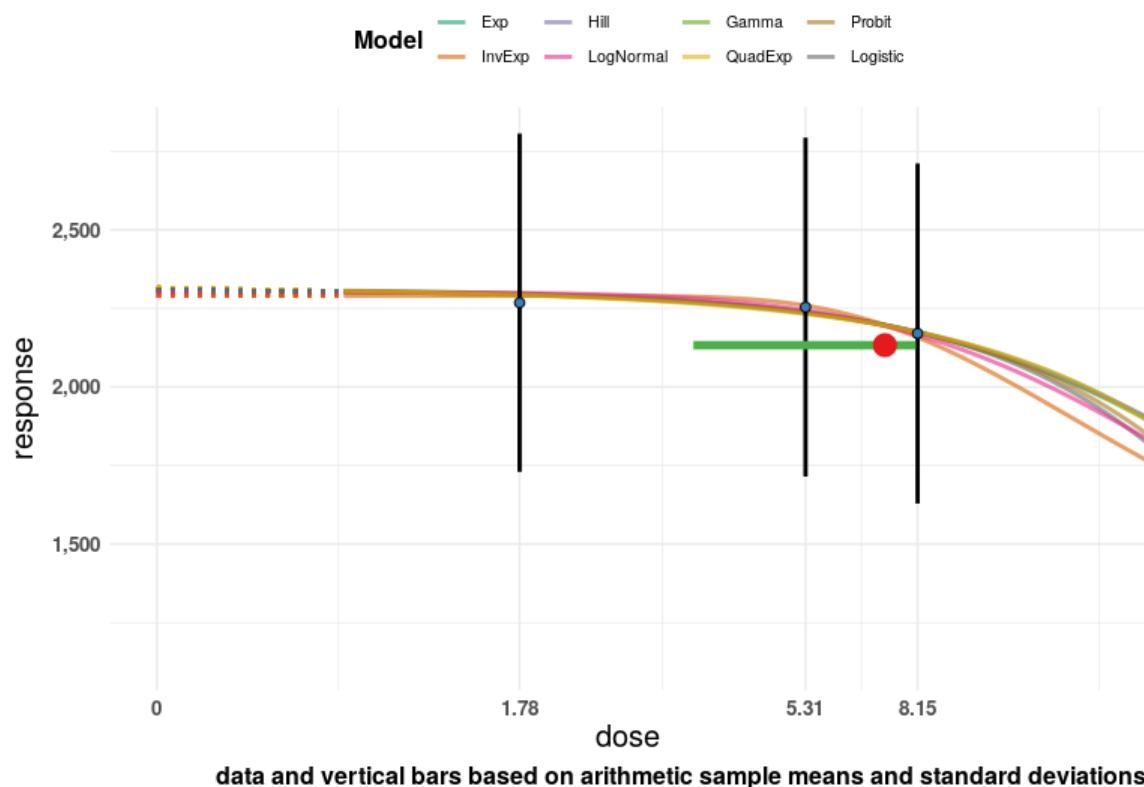
Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_N	3.277	7.311	8.107	0.000	0
IE4_N	5.348	7.723	8.124	0.000	0
H4_N	2.384	7.471	8.121	0.000	0
LN4_N	3.220	7.426	8.099	0.000	0
G4_N	2.865	7.166	8.072	0.000	0
QE4_N	4.866	6.890	8.037	0.000	1
P4_N	3.106	7.341	8.089	0.000	1
L4_N	2.933	7.368	8.089	0.000	0

E4_LN	2.954	7.264	8.086	0.127	0
IE4_LN	4.948	7.612	8.111	0.054	0
H4_LN	2.651	7.434	8.119	0.154	0
LN4_LN	3.806	7.486	8.102	0.076	0
G4_LN	3.870	7.295	8.077	0.142	1
QE4_LN	4.751	6.734	8.019	0.200	1
P4_LN	2.905	7.022	8.057	0.118	1
L4_LN	2.741	7.173	8.100	0.128	0

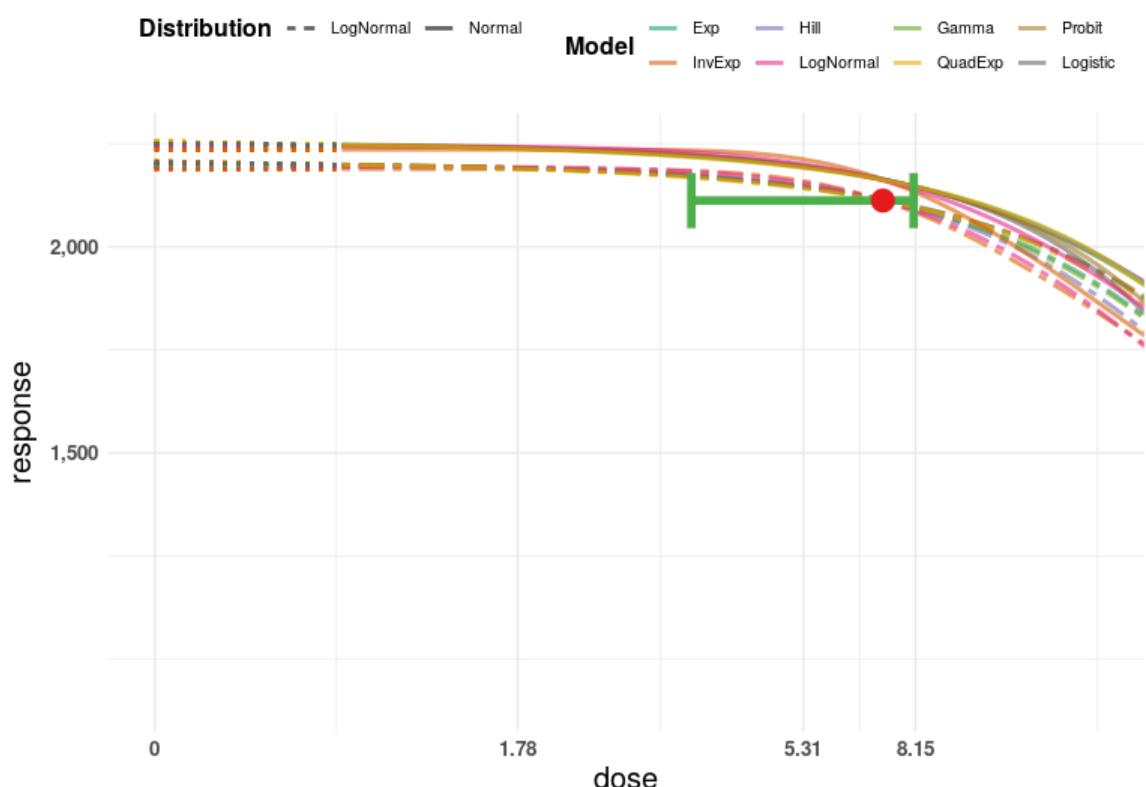
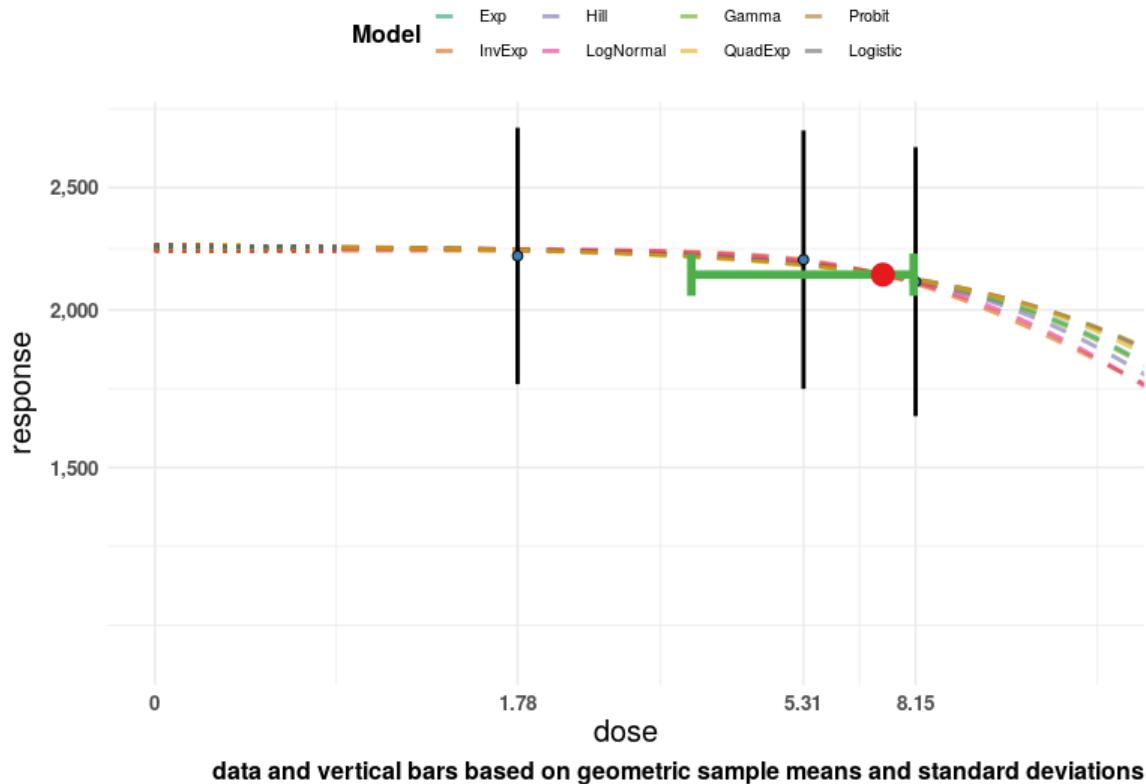
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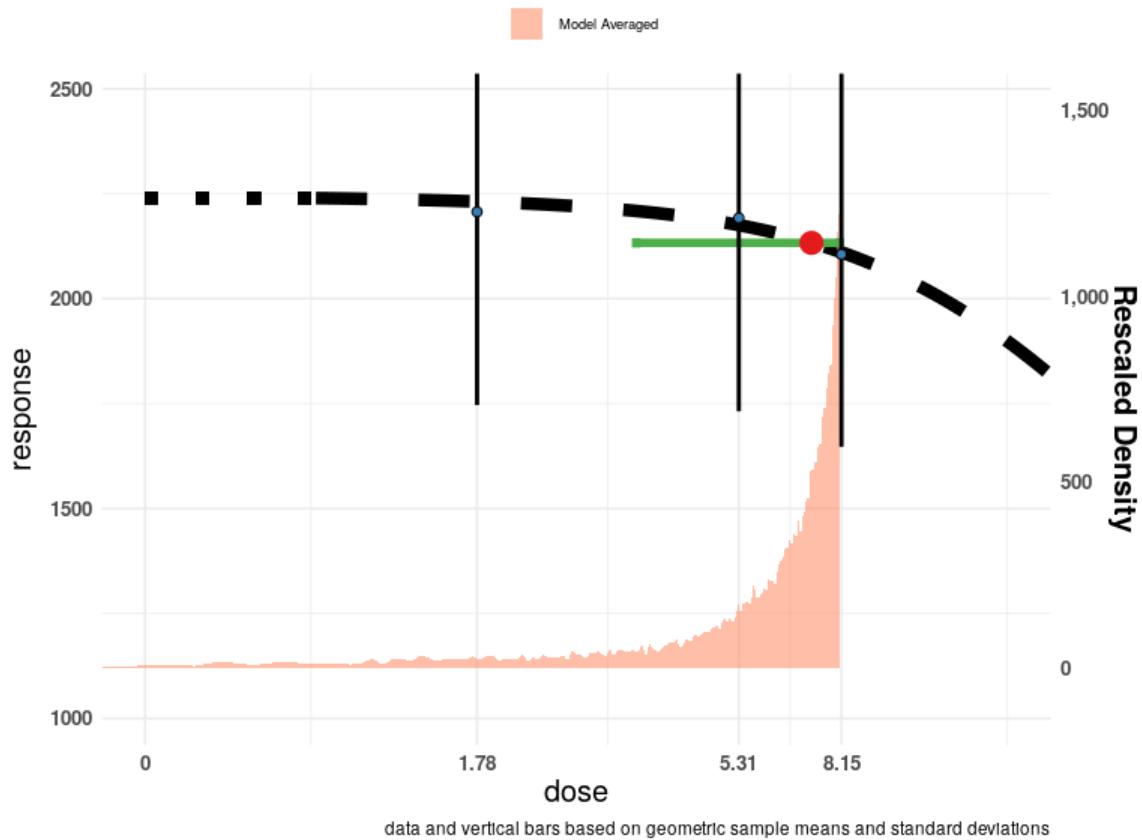


Normal distribution



LogNormal distribution





Pierce et al. (2011) skin lesions, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for skin lesions

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
1.46	117	2358
3.28	123	2118
6.55	145	1726
12.00	314	2855
15.64	115	617

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.00261044.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.04912214; the most likely; 0.04961832; max: 0.05011450. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

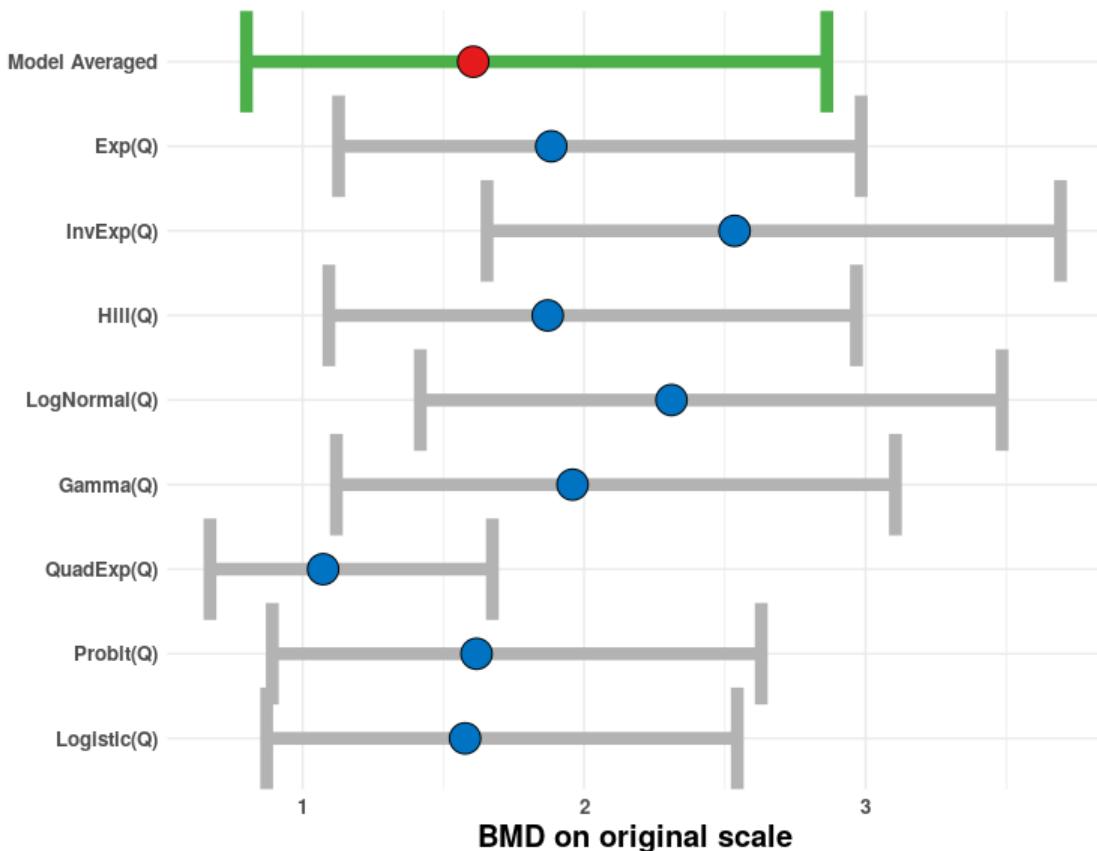
Best fitting model fits sufficiently well (Bayes factor is 6.63e-03).

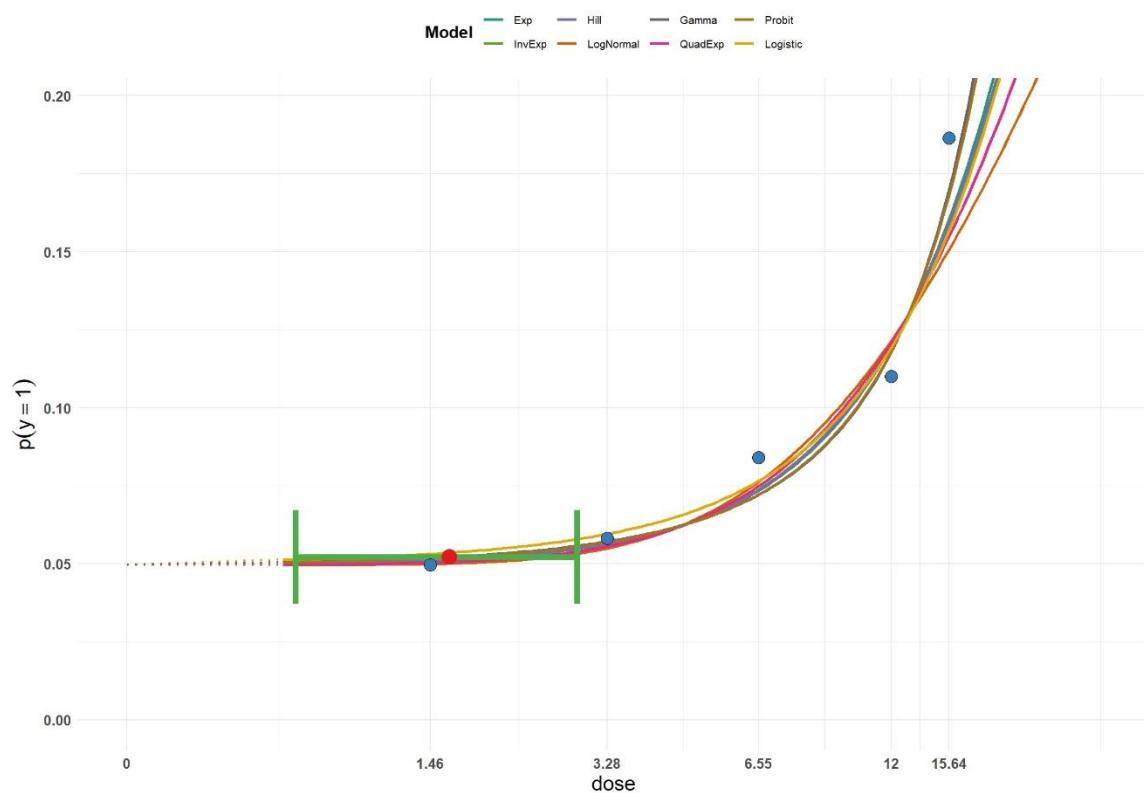
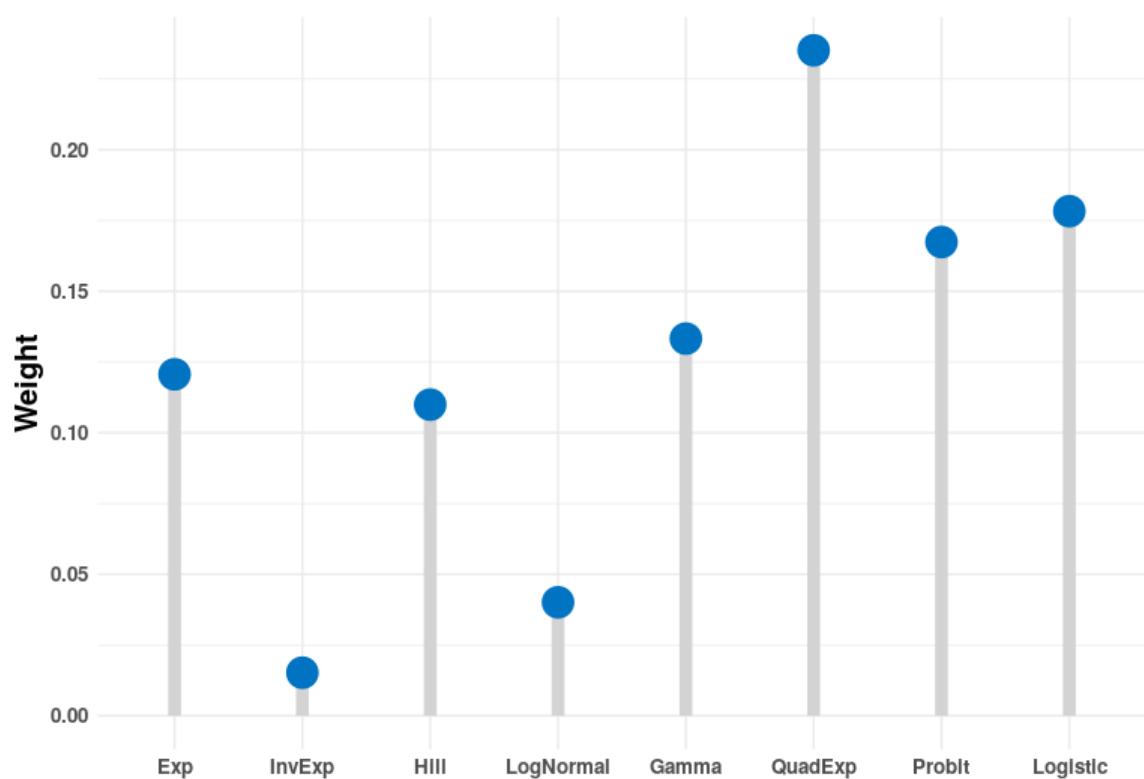
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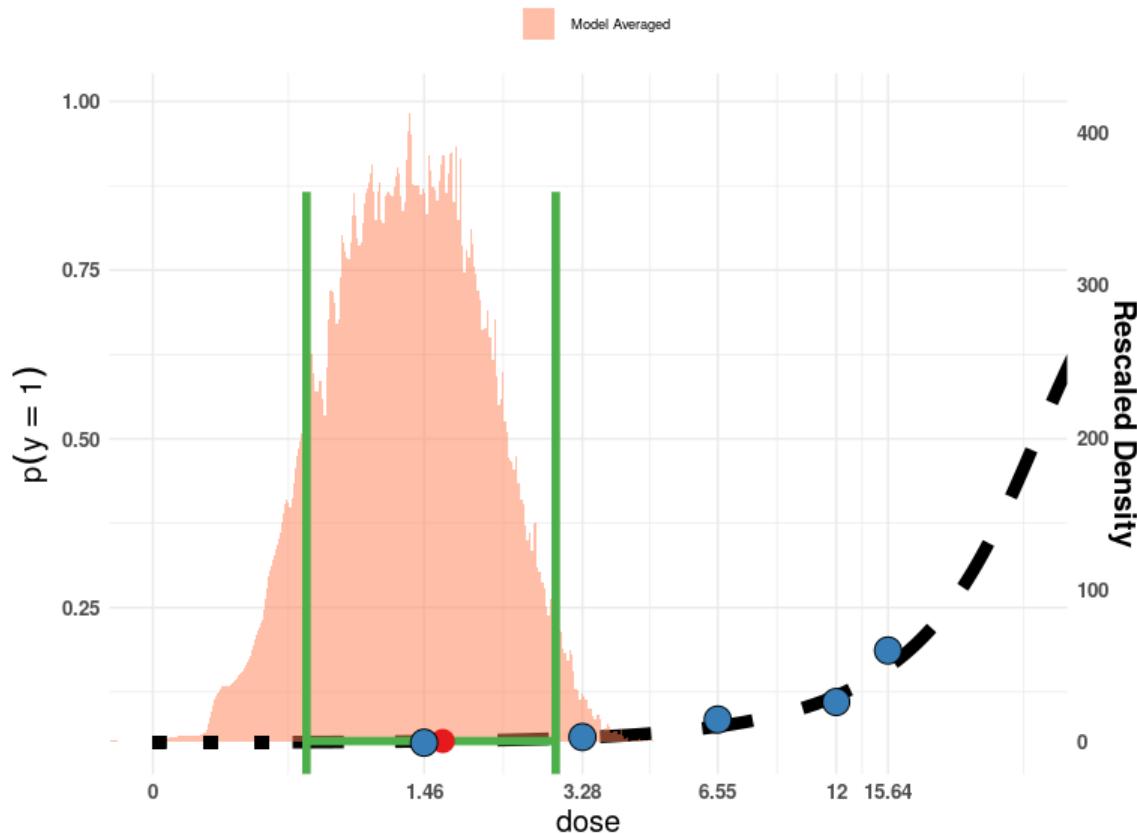
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.8	1.606	2.862

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	1.128	1.883	2.984	0.121	1
IE4_Q	1.655	2.535	3.693	0.015	1
H4_Q	1.093	1.871	2.967	0.110	1
LN4_Q	1.418	2.310	3.485	0.040	1
G4_Q	1.120	1.959	3.106	0.133	1
QE4_Q	0.671	1.073	1.674	0.235	1
P4_Q	0.892	1.618	2.629	0.167	1
L4_Q	0.872	1.577	2.544	0.178	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Powers et al. (2019) airflow obstruction, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for airflow obstruction

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.073	174	757
0.220	160	636
0.280	124	432

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.01492281.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.22755614; the most likely; 0.22985469; max: 0.23215324. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

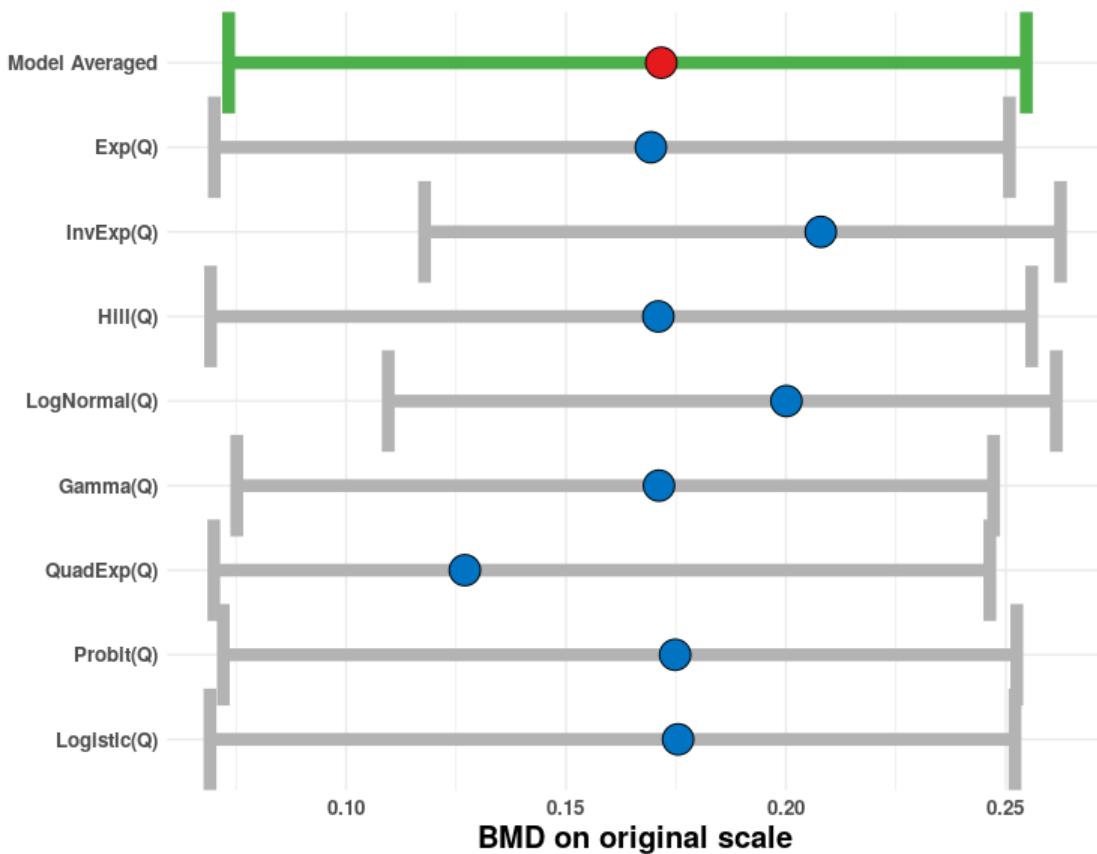
Best fitting model fits sufficiently well (Bayes factor is 2.15e+00).

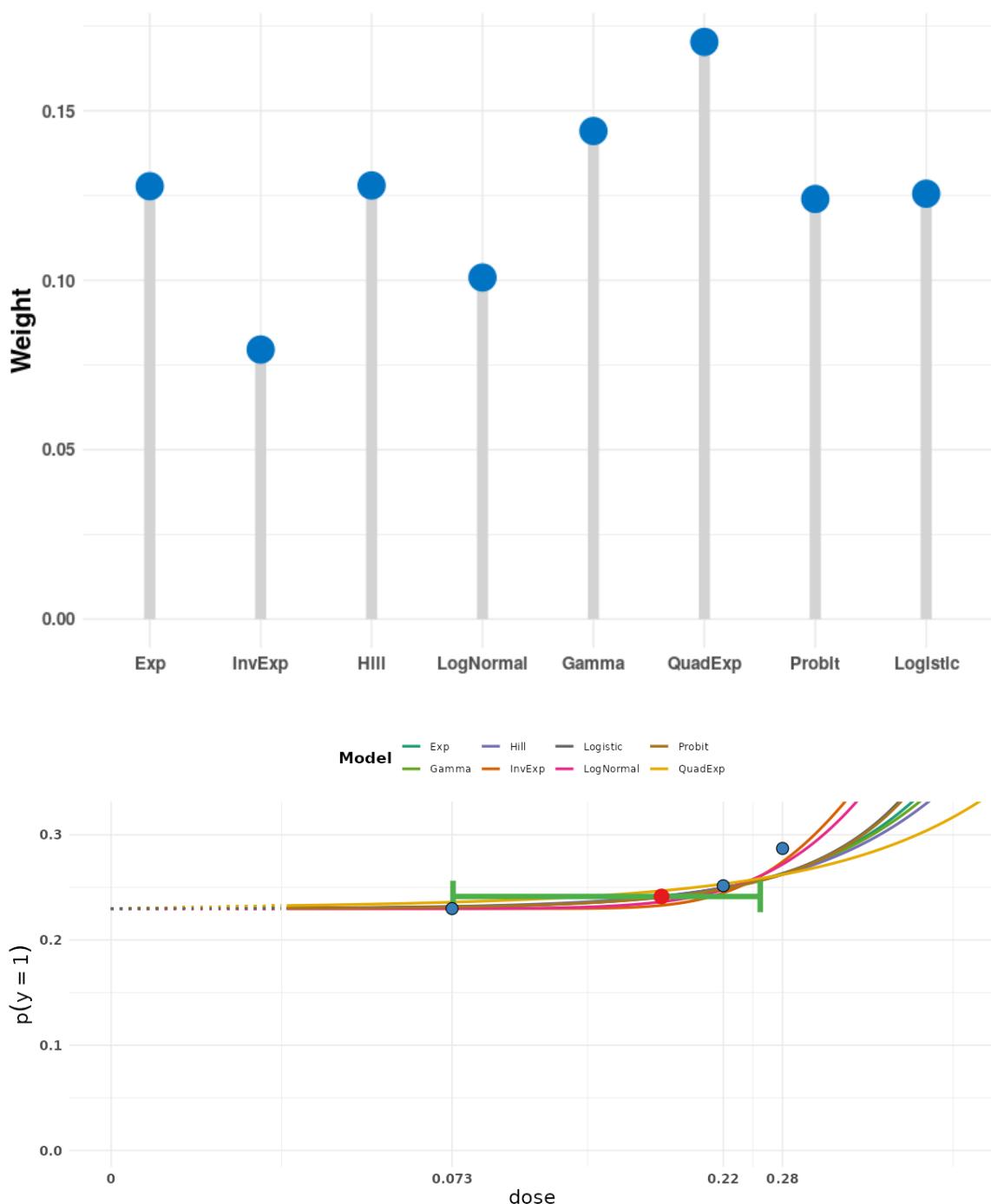
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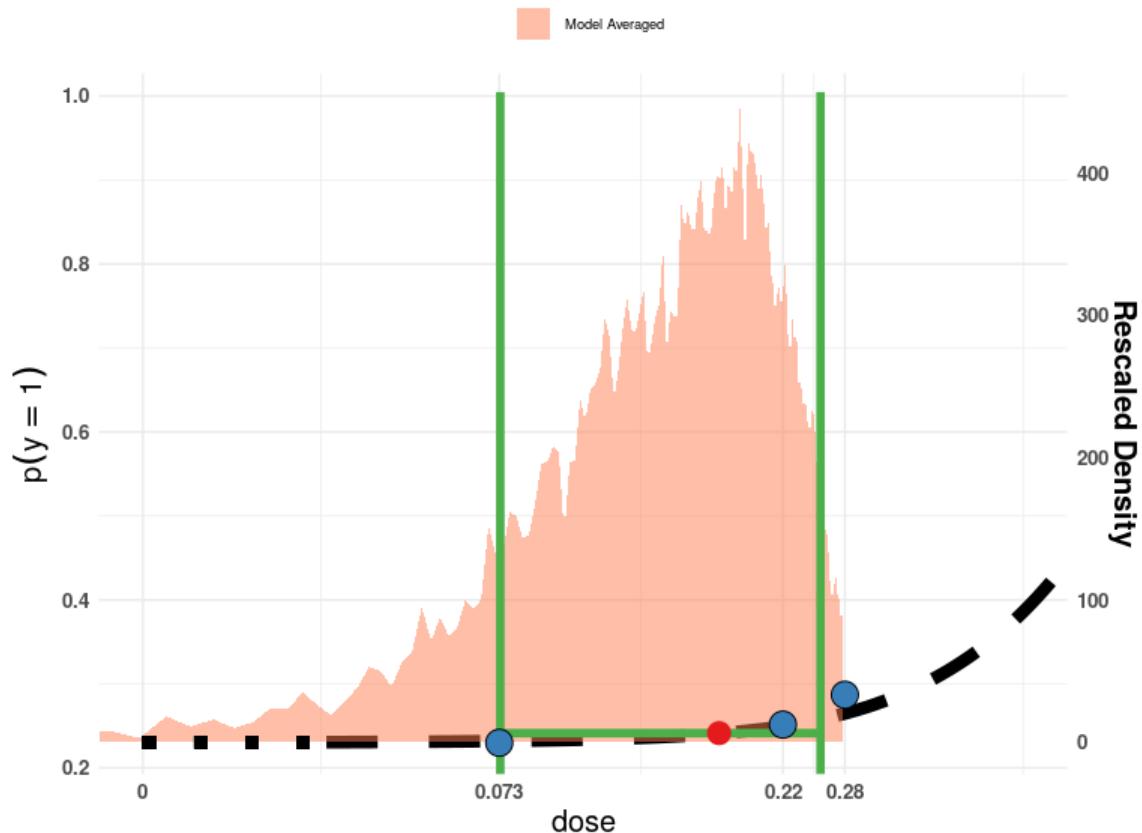
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.073	0.172	0.255

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.070	0.169	0.251	0.128	1
IE4_Q	0.118	0.208	0.262	0.080	1
H4_Q	0.069	0.171	0.256	0.128	1
LN4_Q	0.110	0.200	0.261	0.101	1
G4_Q	0.075	0.171	0.247	0.144	1
QE4_Q	0.070	0.127	0.246	0.170	1
P4_Q	0.072	0.175	0.252	0.124	1
L4_Q	0.069	0.175	0.252	0.126	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Powers et al. (2019) emphysema, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for emphysema

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.073	26	880
0.220	25	718
0.280	27	518

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.00152225.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.02925000; the most likely: 0.02954545; max: 0.02984091. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

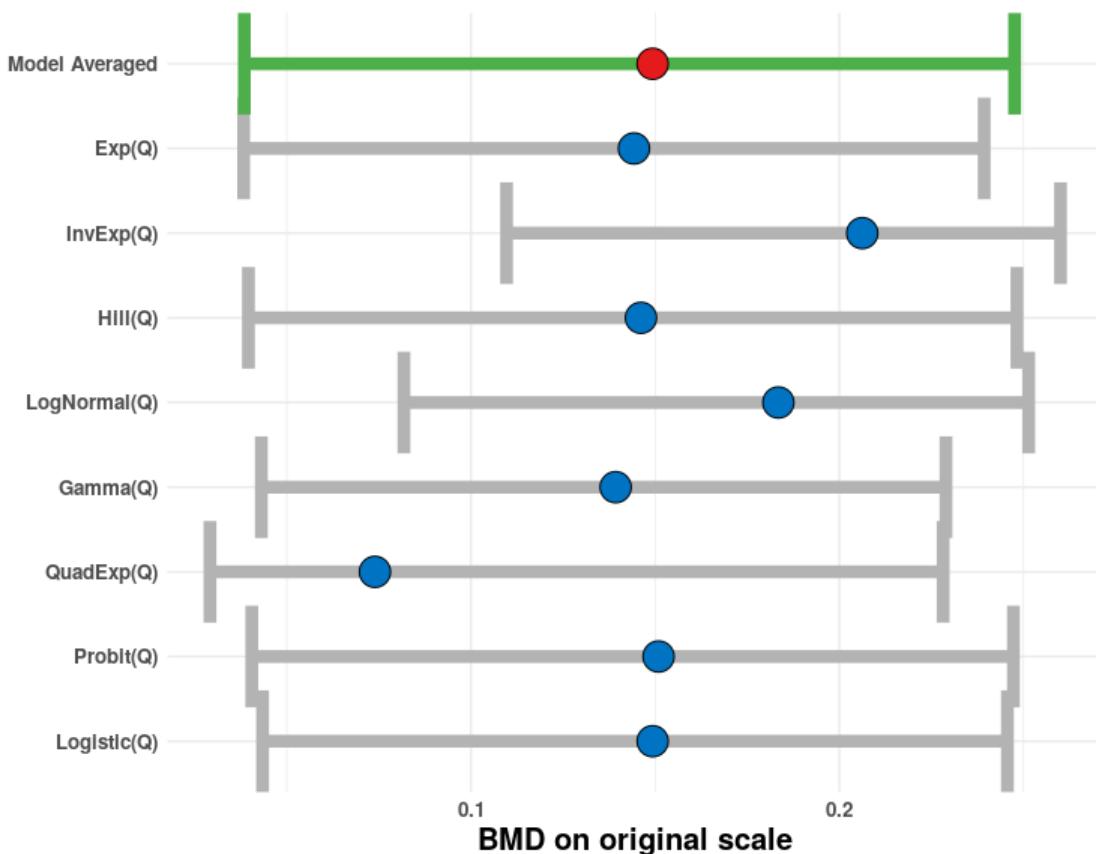
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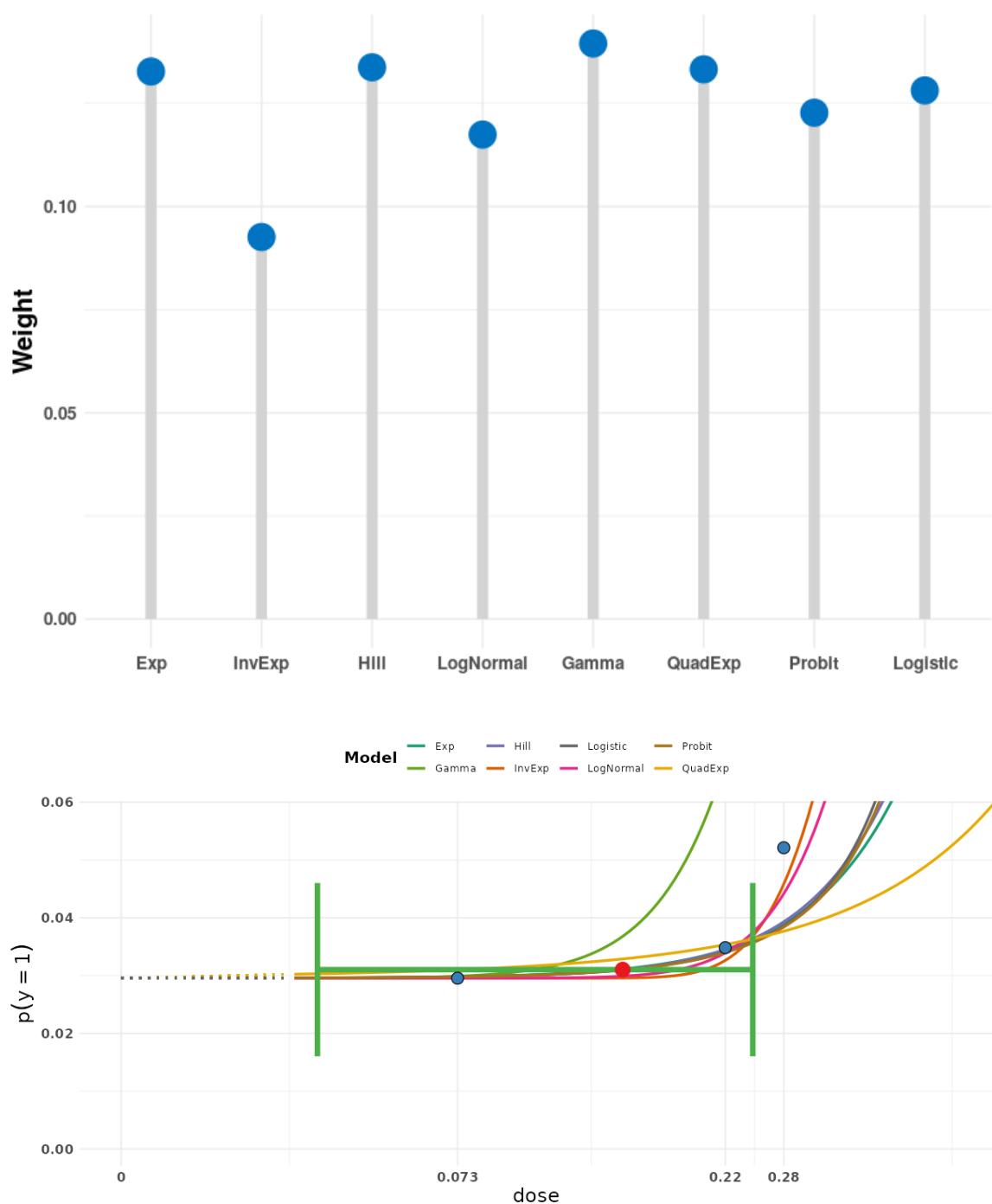
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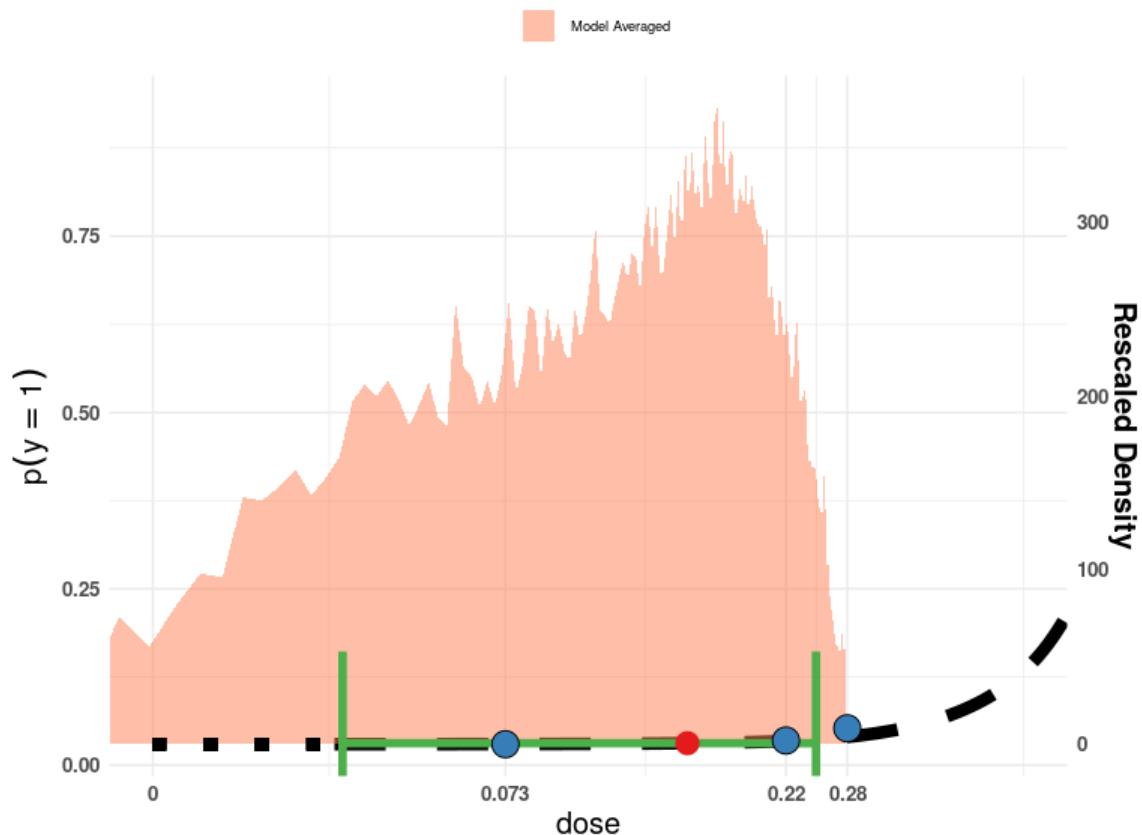
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.038	0.149	0.248

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.038	0.144	0.239	0.133	1
IE4_Q	0.110	0.206	0.260	0.093	1
H4_Q	0.040	0.146	0.248	0.134	1
LN4_Q	0.082	0.183	0.251	0.117	1
G4_Q	0.043	0.139	0.229	0.139	1
QE4_Q	0.029	0.074	0.228	0.133	1
P4_Q	0.040	0.151	0.247	0.123	1
L4_Q	0.043	0.149	0.246	0.128	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Powers et al. (2019) restrictive pattern, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for restrictive pattern

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.073	133	725
0.220	92	558
0.280	81	391

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.01123311.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.14675862; the most likely; 0.18344828; max: 0.22013793. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

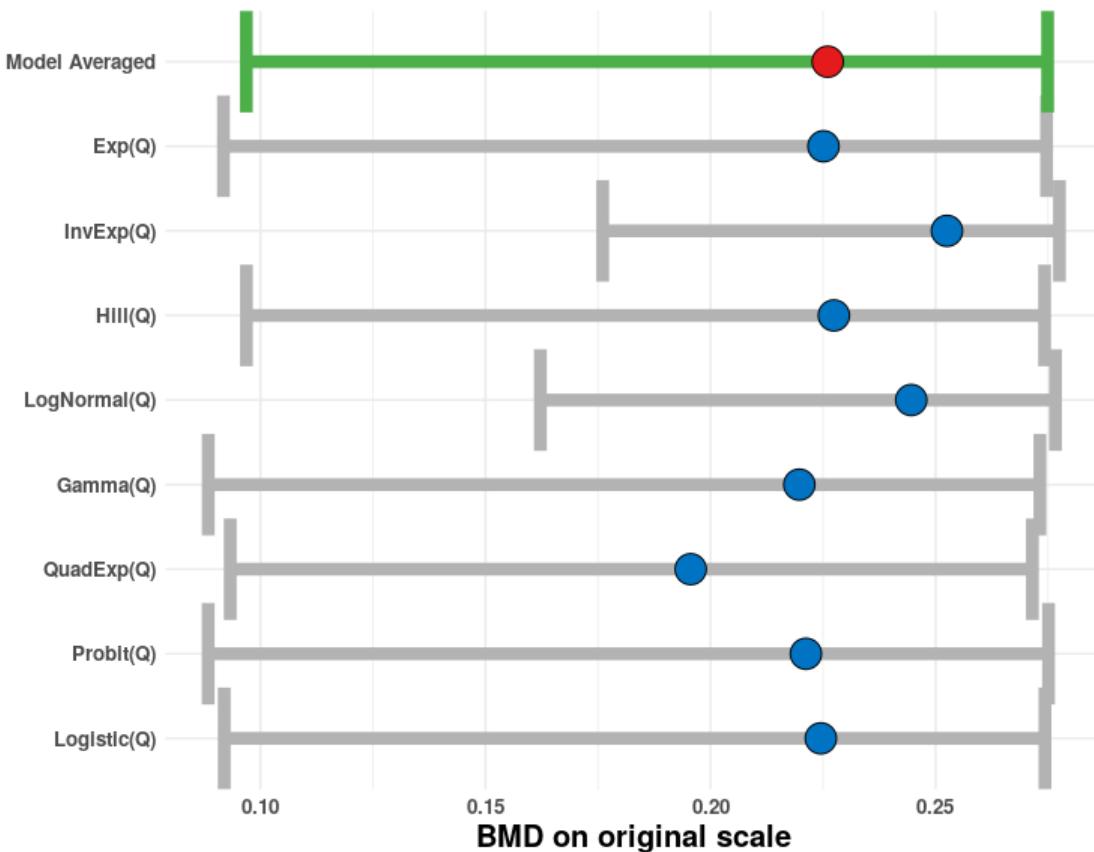
Best fitting model fits sufficiently well (Bayes factor is 3.63e+00).

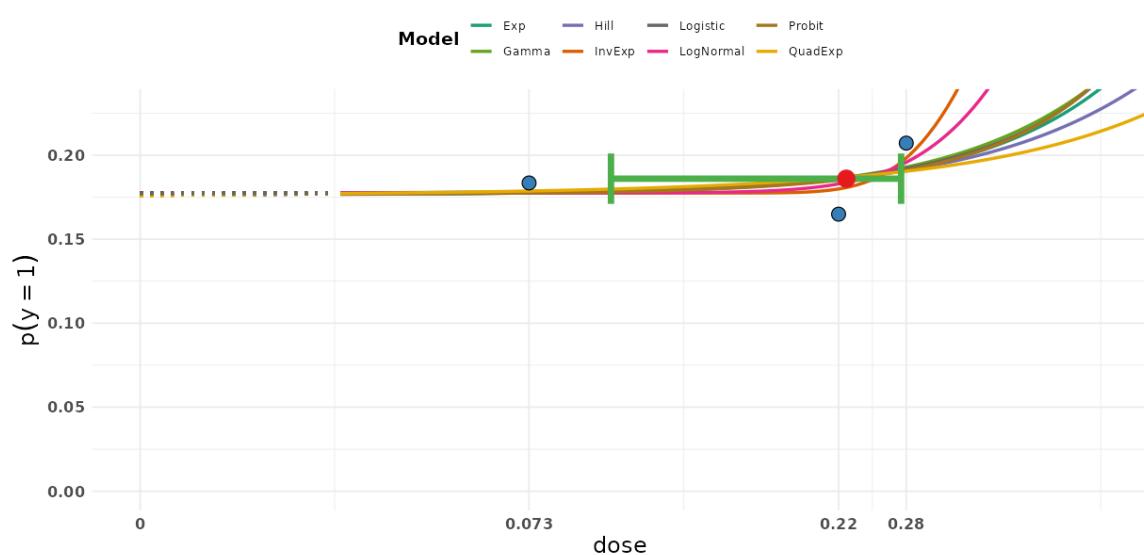
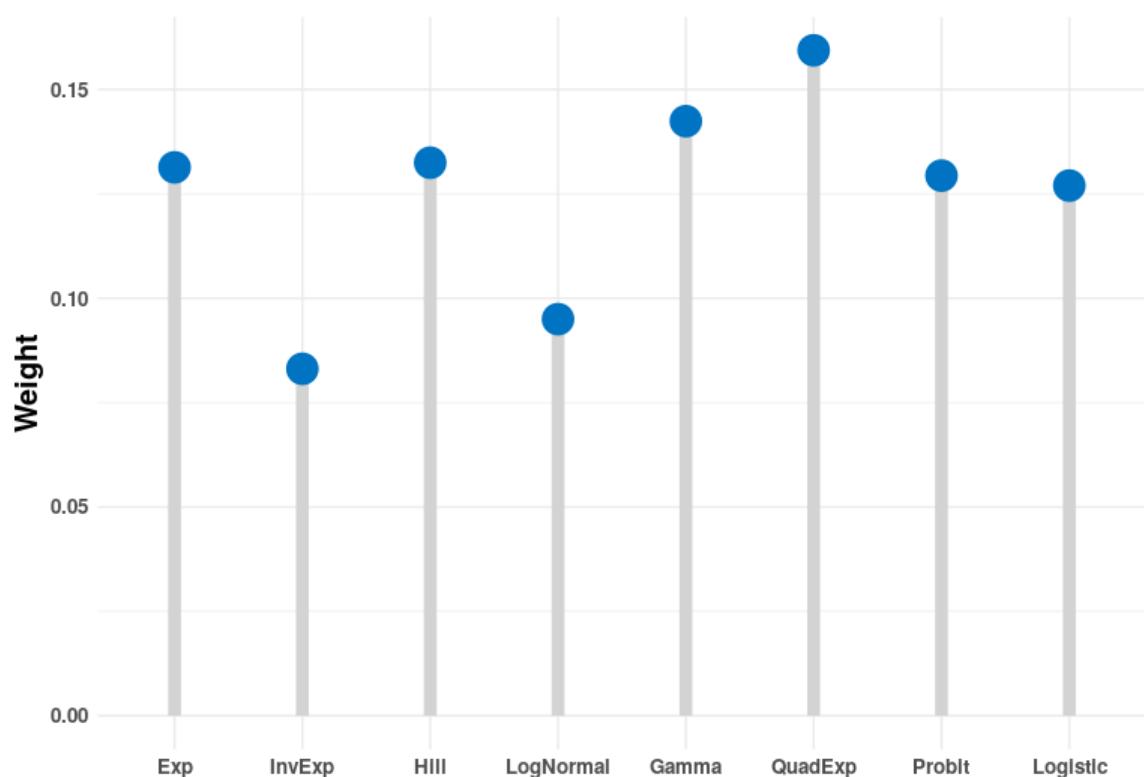
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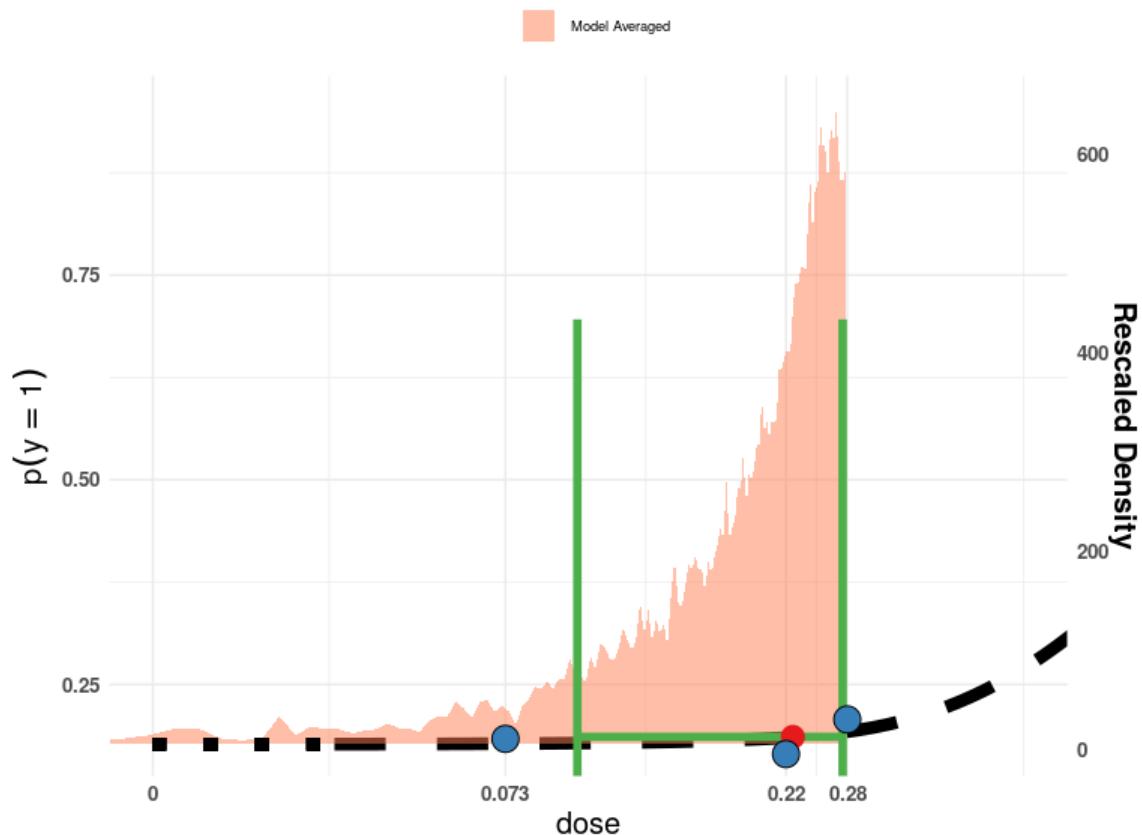
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Model Averaged	BS	0.097	0.226	0.275

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.092	0.225	0.275	0.131	1
IE4_Q	0.176	0.253	0.278	0.083	1
H4_Q	0.097	0.227	0.274	0.132	1
LN4_Q	0.162	0.245	0.277	0.095	1
G4_Q	0.088	0.220	0.273	0.142	0
QE4_Q	0.093	0.196	0.272	0.159	1
P4_Q	0.088	0.221	0.275	0.129	1
L4_Q	0.092	0.225	0.274	0.127	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Rahman et al. (2007) infant death, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for infant death

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
1.13	237	5119
6.47	267	5113
17.38	282	5122
25.75	306	5131
38.55	281	5109

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.00242728.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.04583512; the most likely: 0.04629811; max: 0.04676109. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

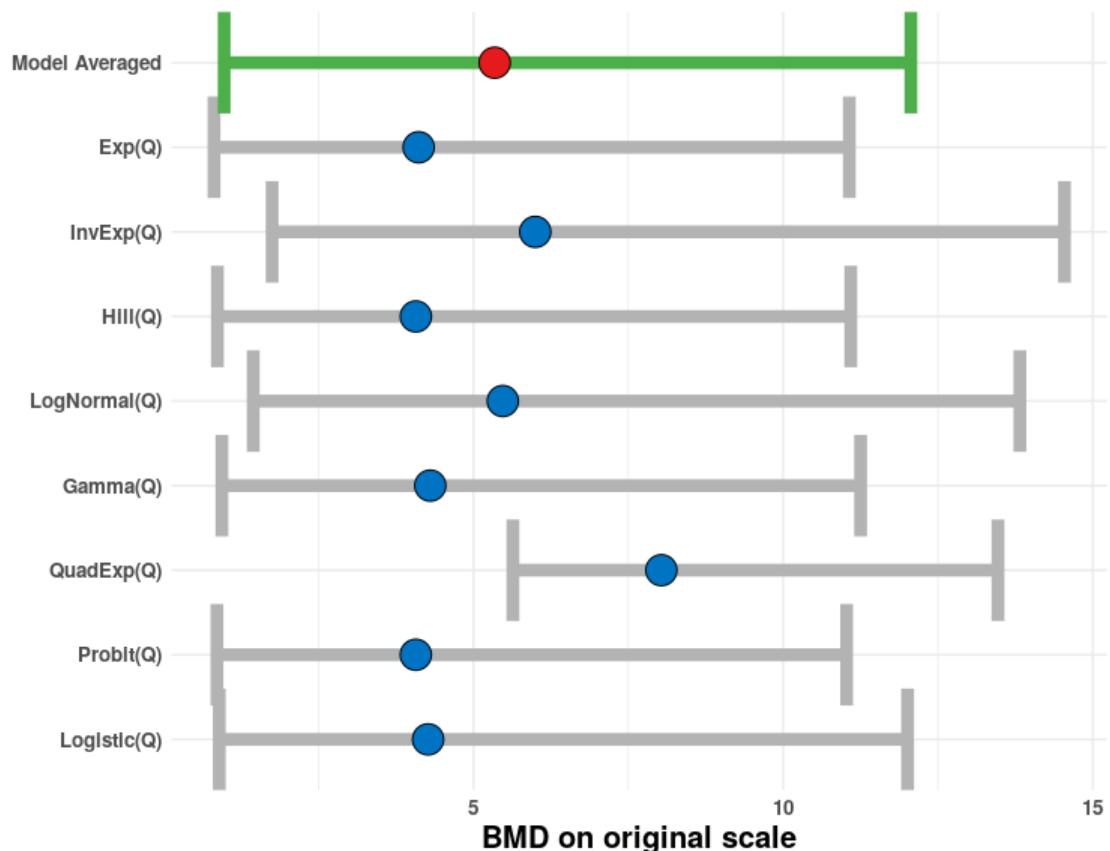
Best fitting model fits sufficiently well (Bayes factor is 1.40e-03).

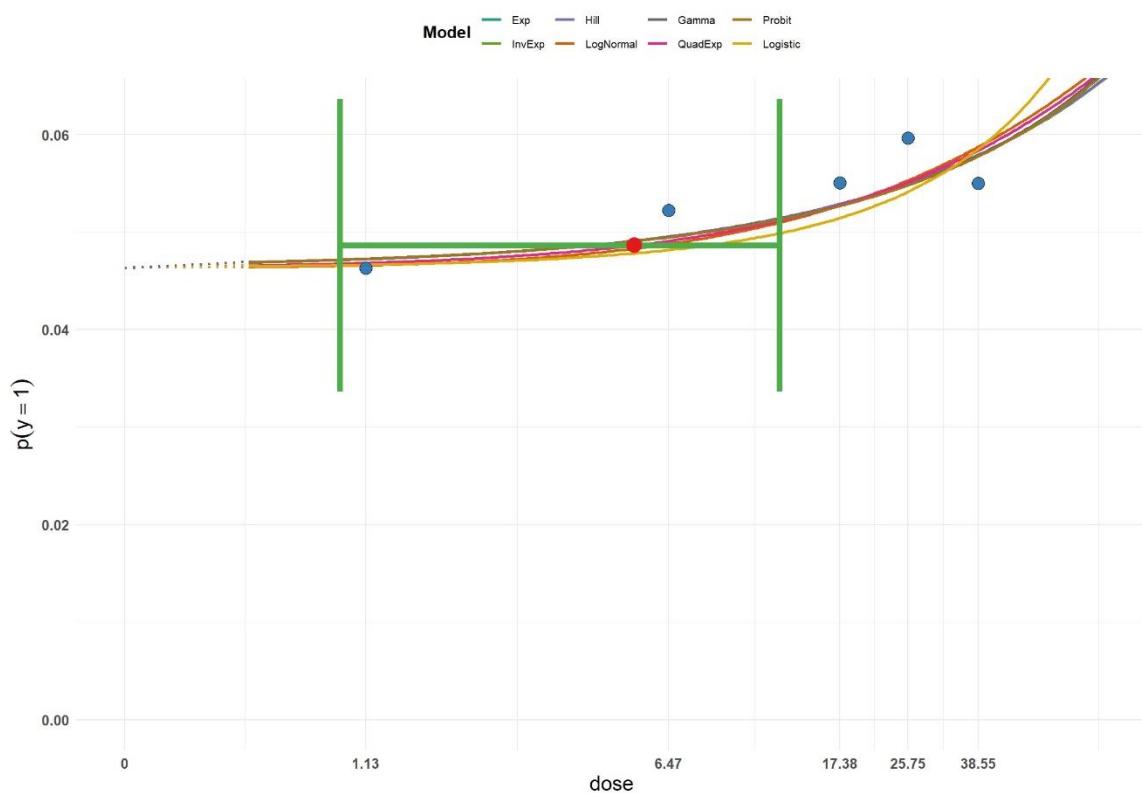
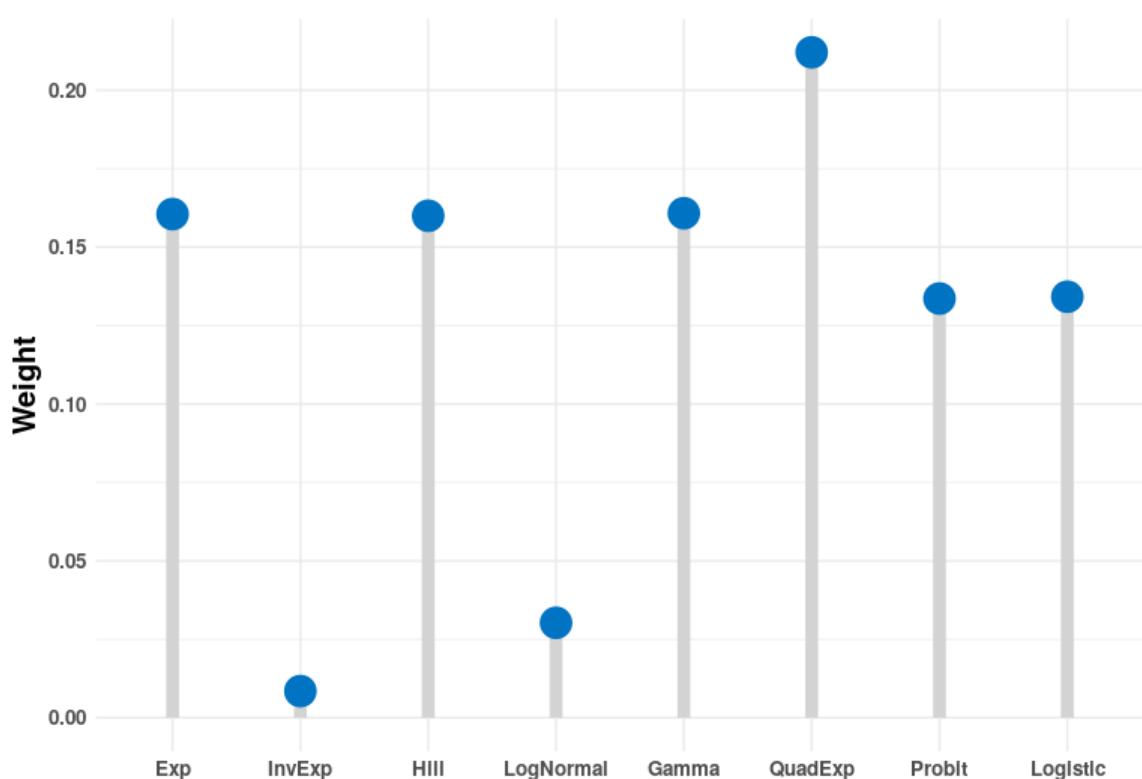
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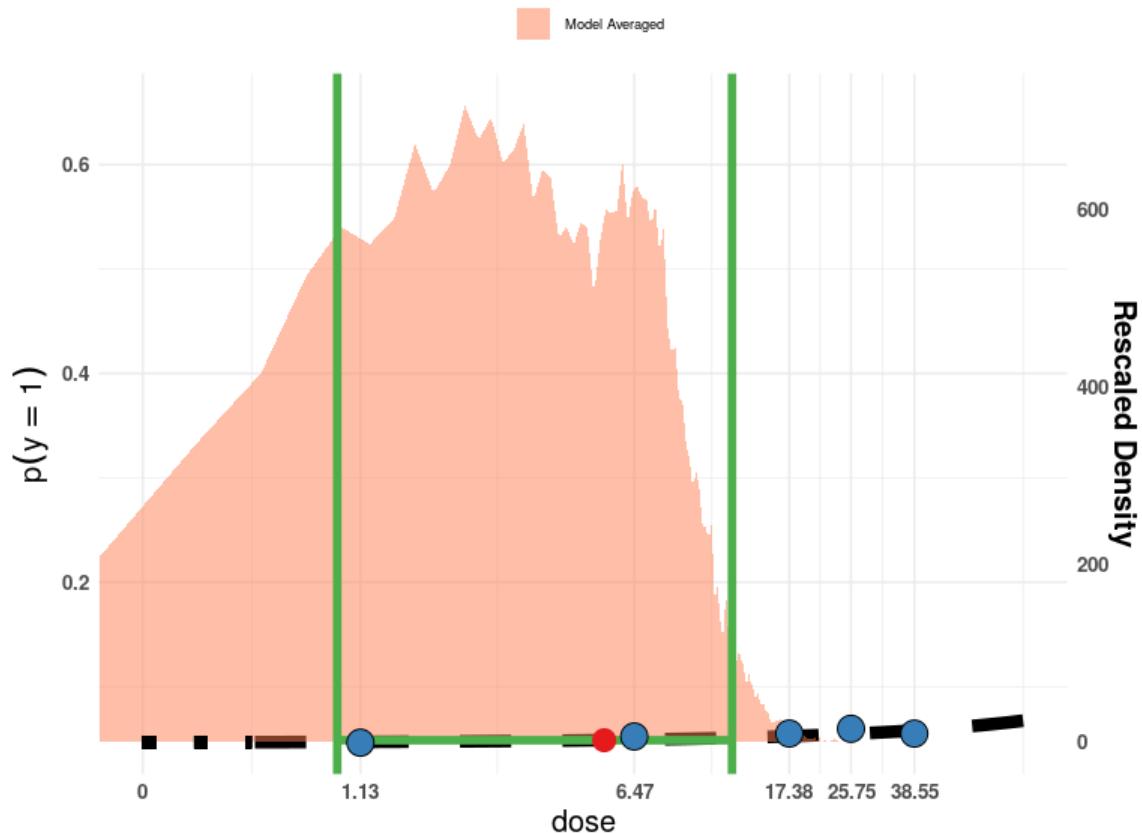
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.975	5.343	12.063

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.811	4.116	11.069	0.161	1
IE4_Q	1.749	5.998	14.543	0.008	1
H4_Q	0.866	4.071	11.093	0.160	1
LN4_Q	1.444	5.474	13.823	0.030	1
G4_Q	0.939	4.303	11.251	0.161	1
QE4_Q	5.638	8.034	13.470	0.212	1
P4_Q	0.858	4.070	11.026	0.134	1
L4_Q	0.896	4.268	12.011	0.134	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Rahman et al. (2010) infant mortality, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for infant mortality

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
1.09	3	338
1.82	5	342
3.42	6	339
6.87	7	335
14.18	15	339

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.000447761.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.008786982; the most likely: 0.00887574; max: 0.008964497. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

The results do not fulfill the EFSA BMD guidance (EFSA Scientific Committee, 2022) recommendations since BMDU/BMDL > 50.

Goodness of Fit

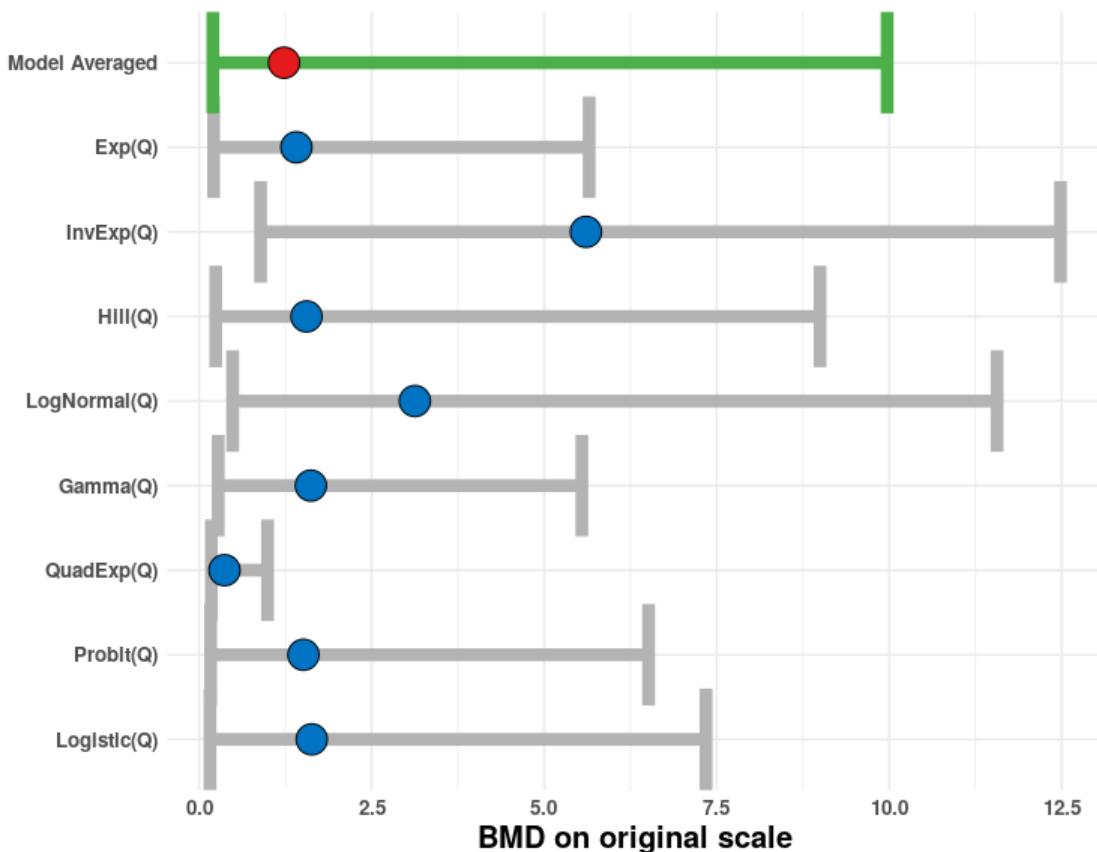
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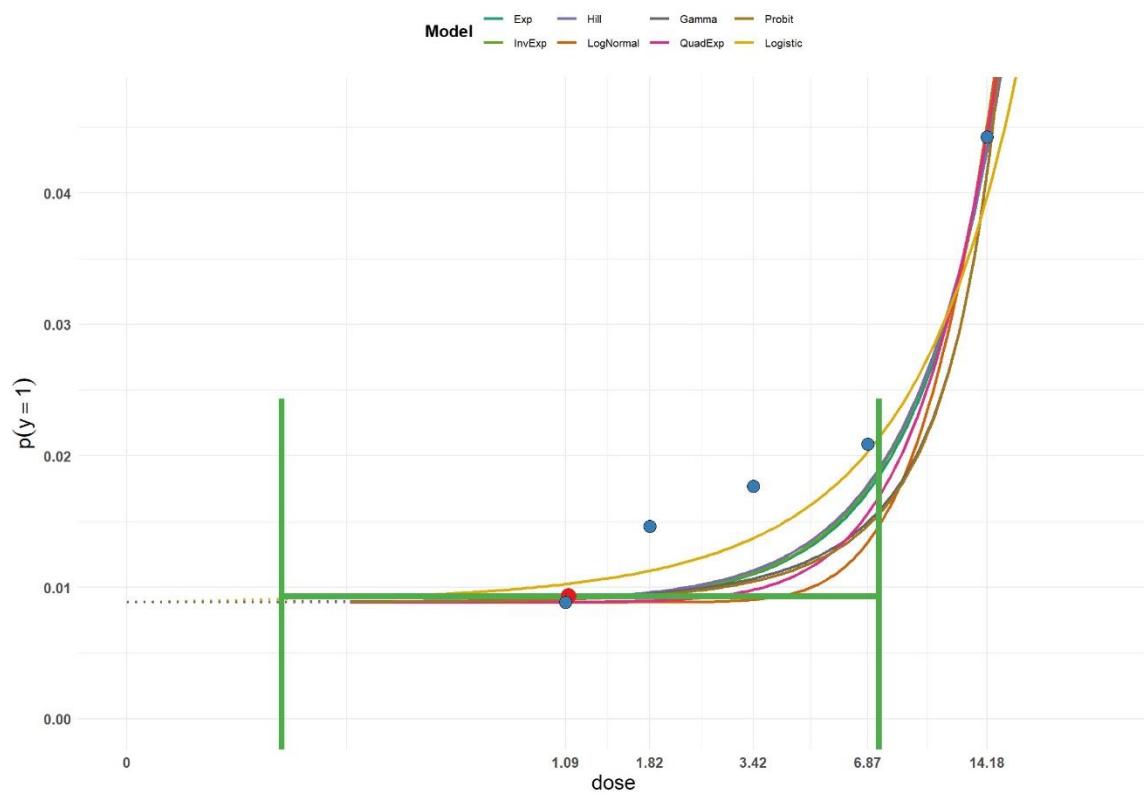
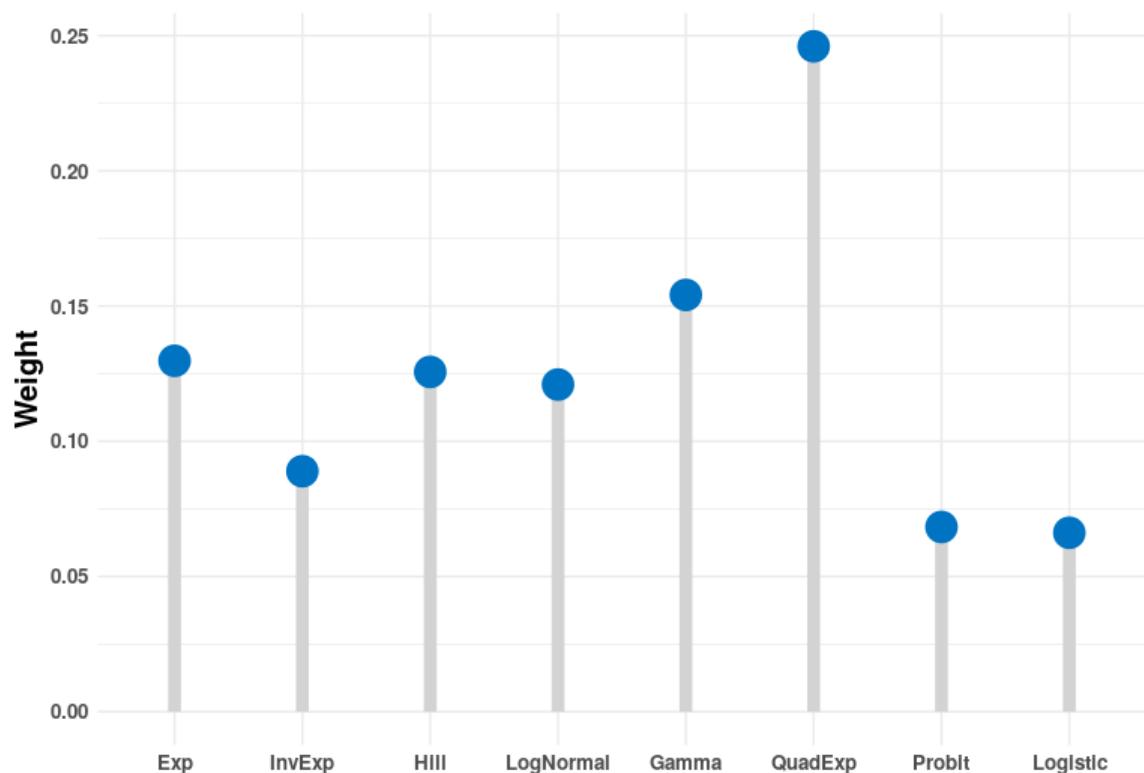
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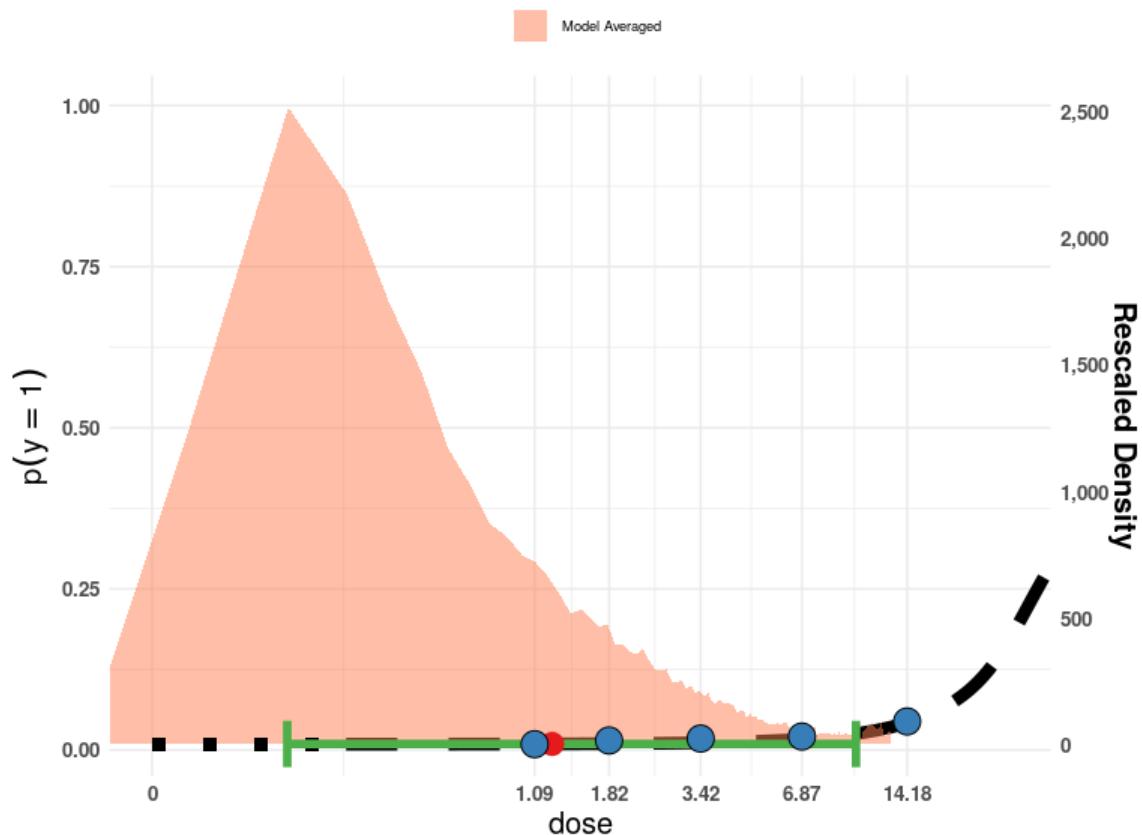
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Model Averaged	BS		0.198	1.23	9.97

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.209	1.409	5.652	0.130	1
IE4_Q	0.889	5.605	12.483	0.089	0
H4_Q	0.240	1.556	8.998	0.126	0
LN4_Q	0.486	3.126	11.564	0.121	1
G4_Q	0.276	1.619	5.546	0.154	1
QE4_Q	0.177	0.367	0.990	0.246	1
P4_Q	0.165	1.511	6.513	0.068	1
L4_Q	0.156	1.631	7.346	0.066	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Rahman et al. (2010) spontaneous abortion, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for spontaneous abortion

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.84	45	553
1.53	57	558
2.91	63	567
6.44	47	549
13.89	63	557

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.004429134.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.080560579; the most likely: 0.081374322; max: 0.082188065. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

The study was rejected following visual screening due to the non-monotonic dose-response seen.

Goodness of Fit

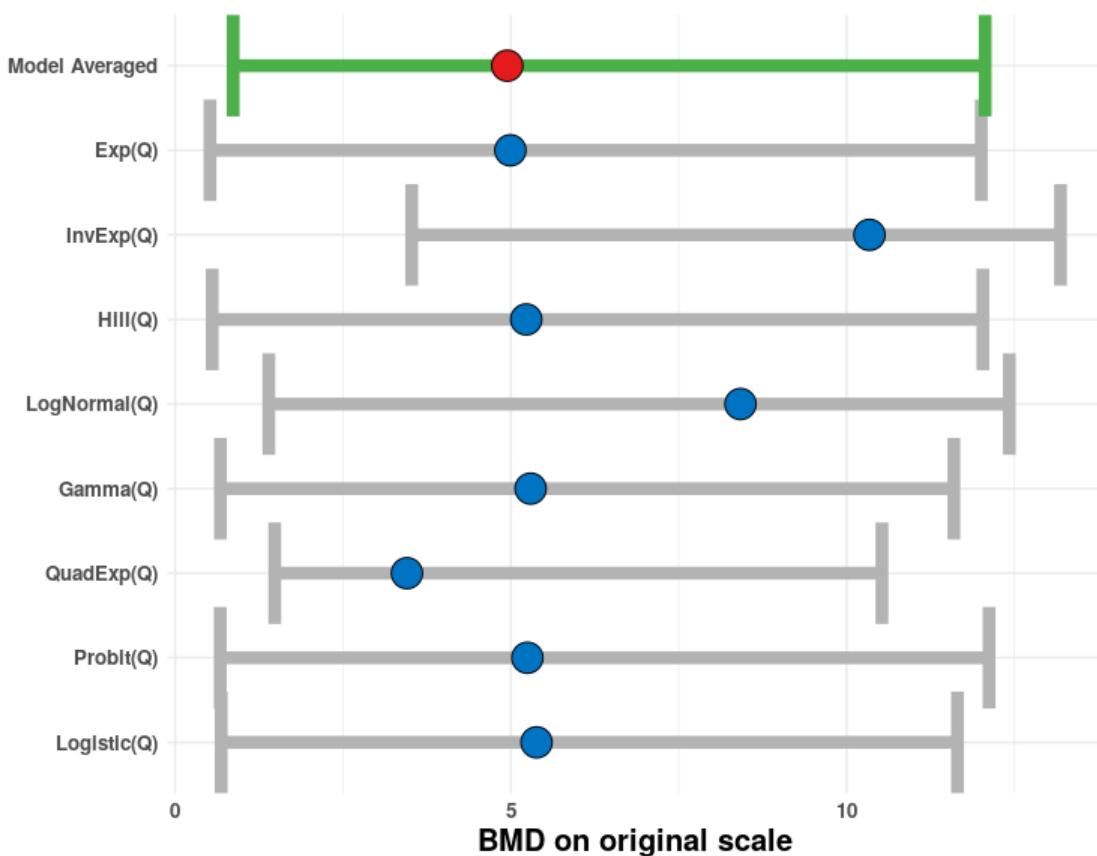
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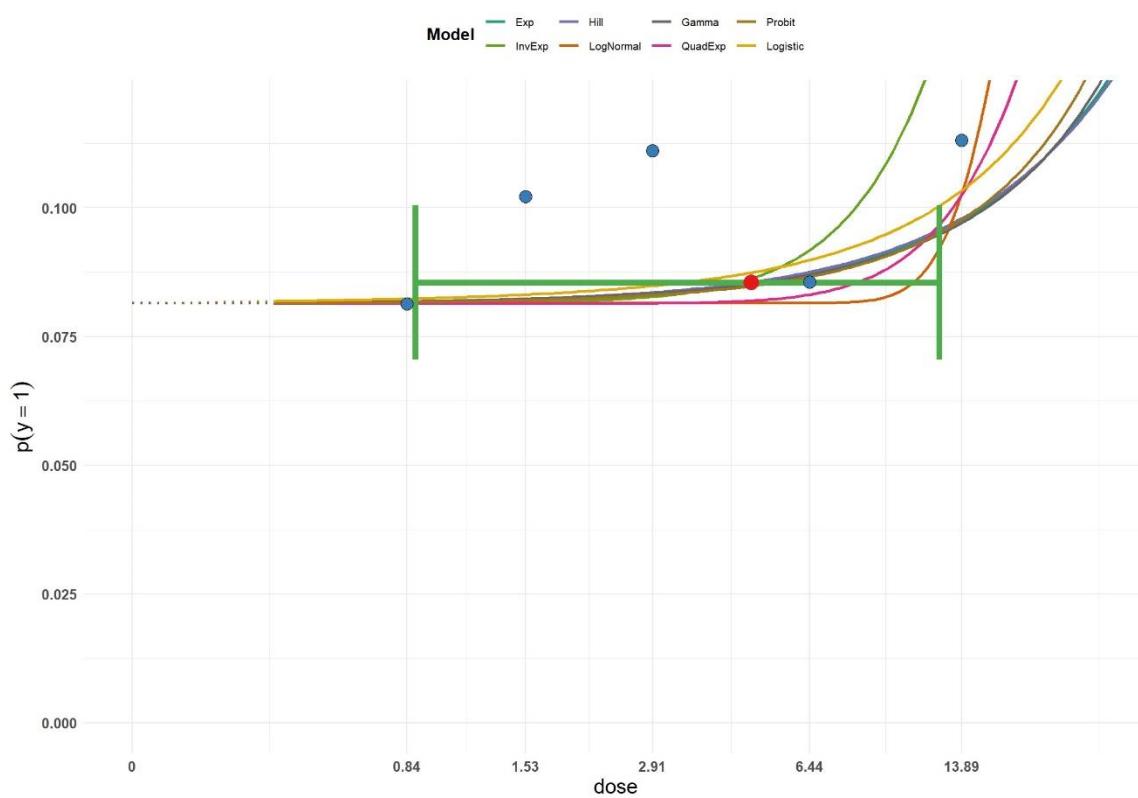
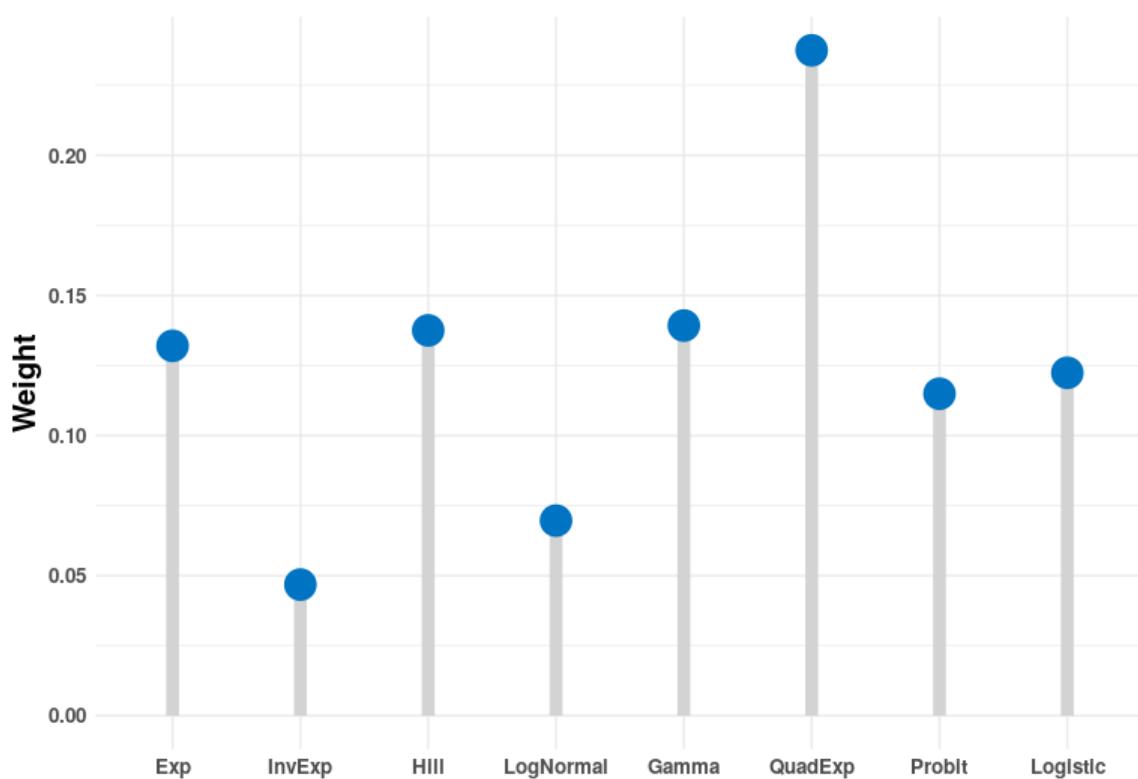
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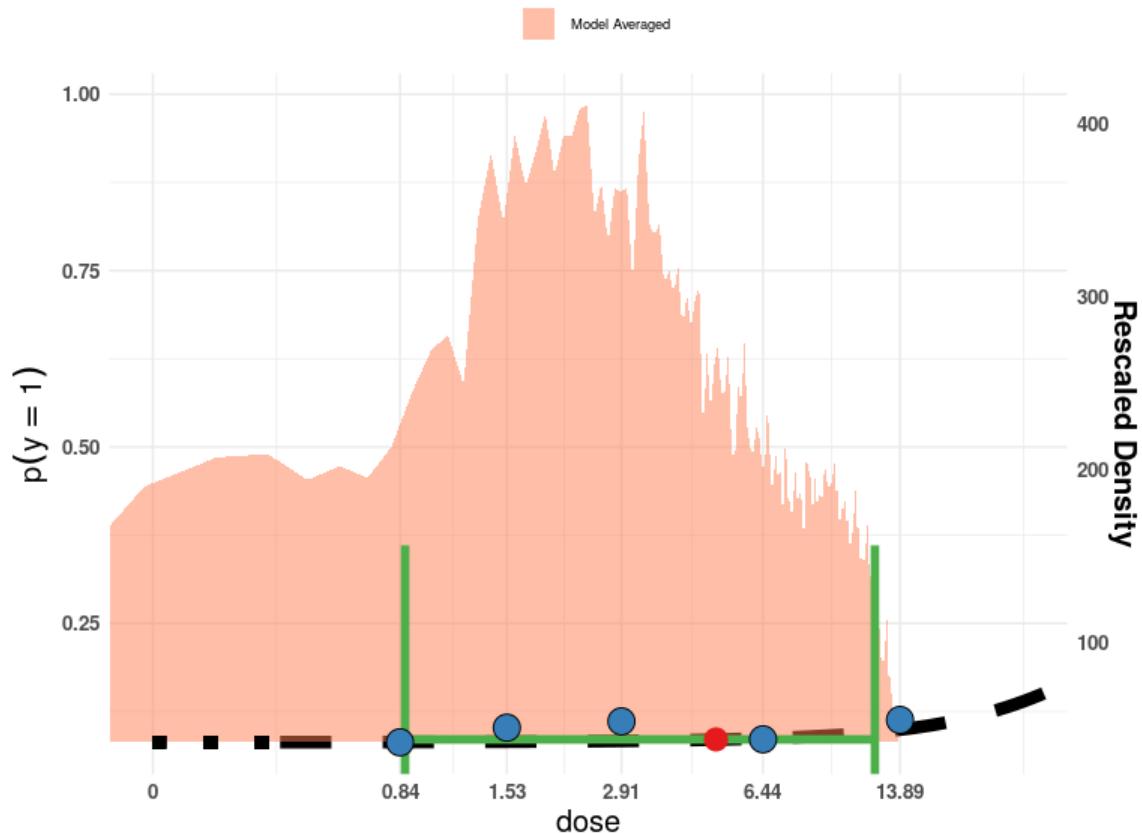
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Model Averaged	BS	0.864	4.946	12.064

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.519	4.993	12.007	0.132	1
IE4_Q	3.523	10.341	13.186	0.047	1
H4_Q	0.552	5.229	12.030	0.138	1
LN4_Q	1.396	8.420	12.424	0.070	1
G4_Q	0.675	5.295	11.598	0.139	1
QE4_Q	1.484	3.452	10.527	0.237	1
P4_Q	0.672	5.246	12.122	0.115	1
L4_Q	0.686	5.383	11.652	0.122	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Rahman et al. (2010) stillbirth, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for stillbirth

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
1.09	3	341
1.82	6	348
3.42	7	346
6.87	10	345
14.18	6	345

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.000443787.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.008709677; the most likely; 0.008797654; max: 0.00888563. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

The results do not fulfill the EFSA BMD guidance (2022) recommendations since BMDU/BMDL > 50.

Goodness of Fit

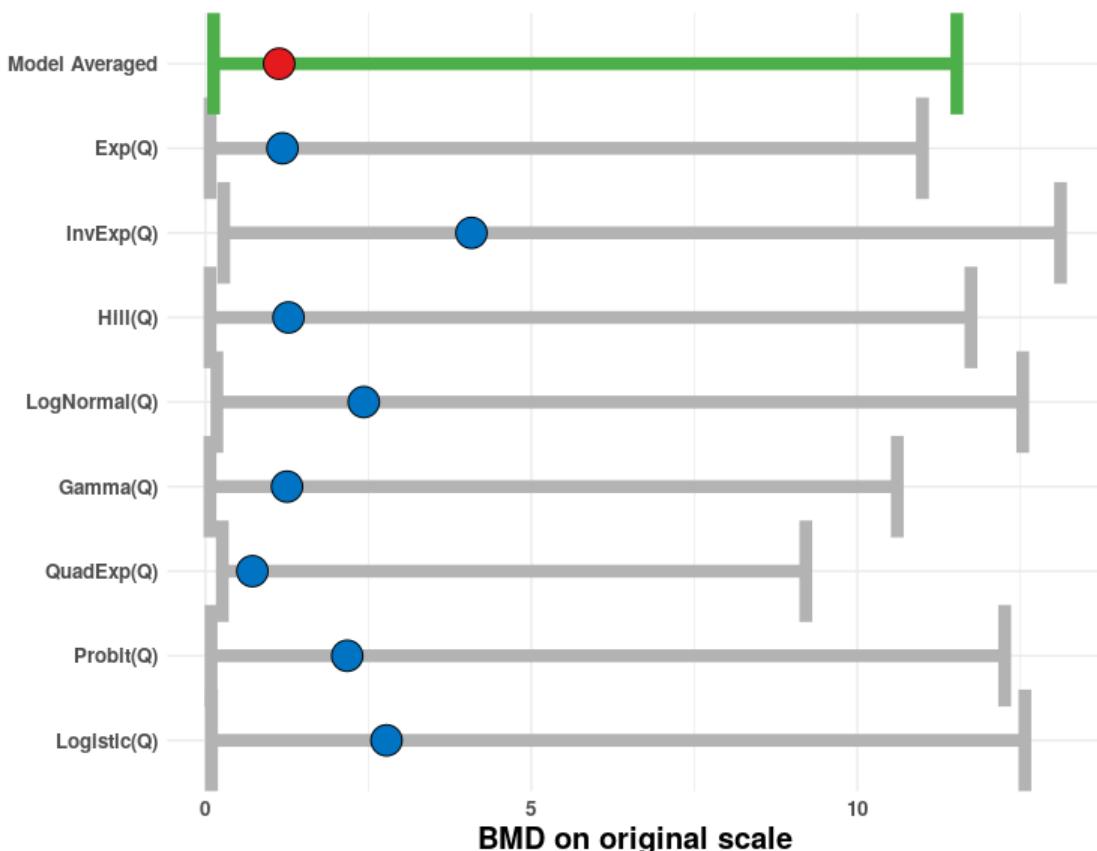
Best fitting model fits sufficiently well (Bayes factor is 3.38e-02).

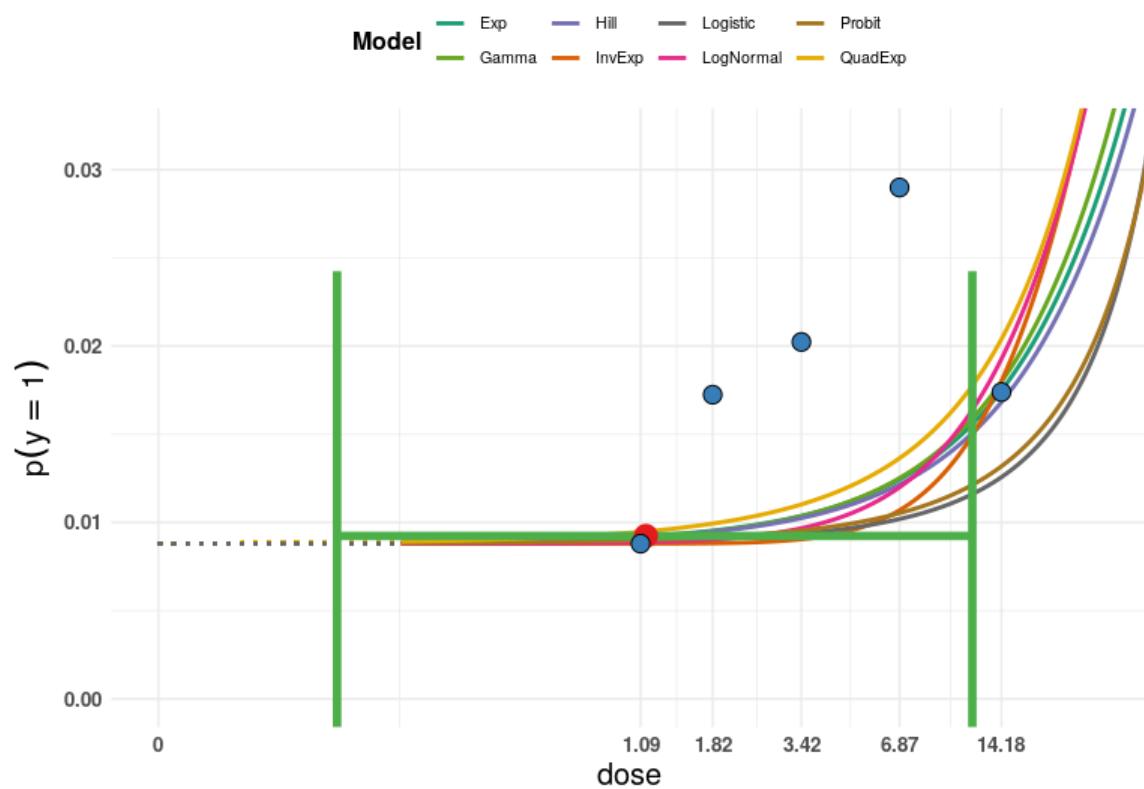
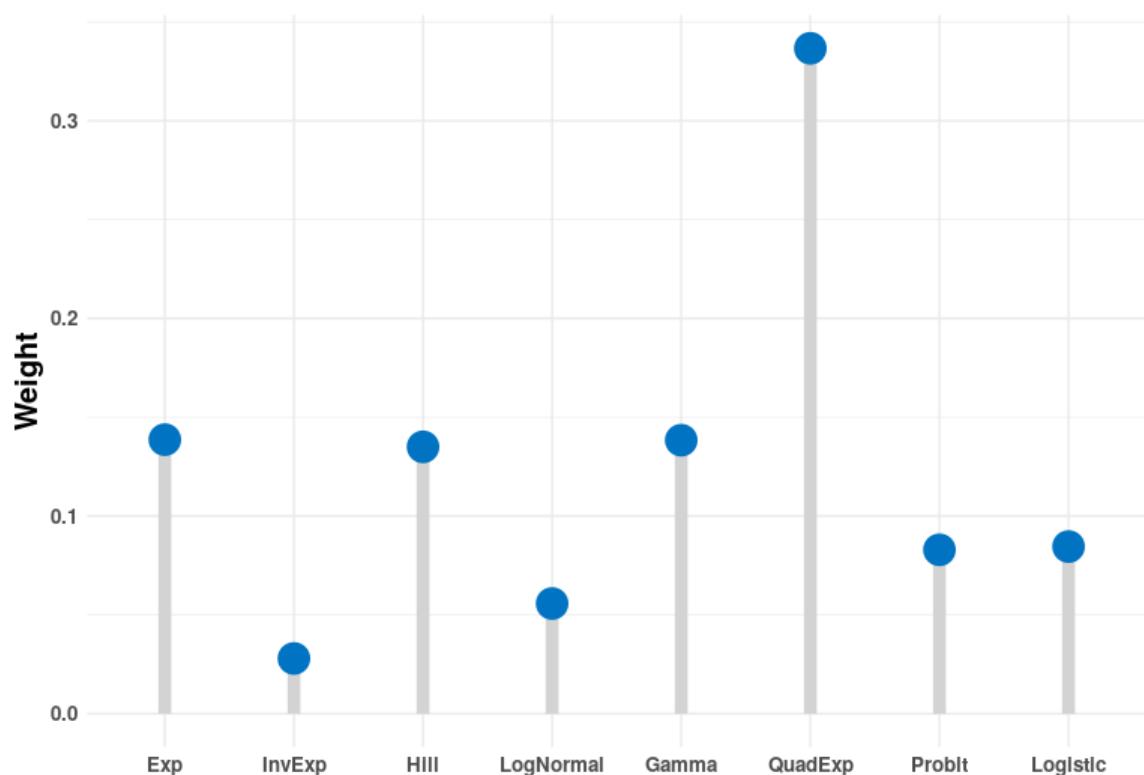
Model Averaged BMD

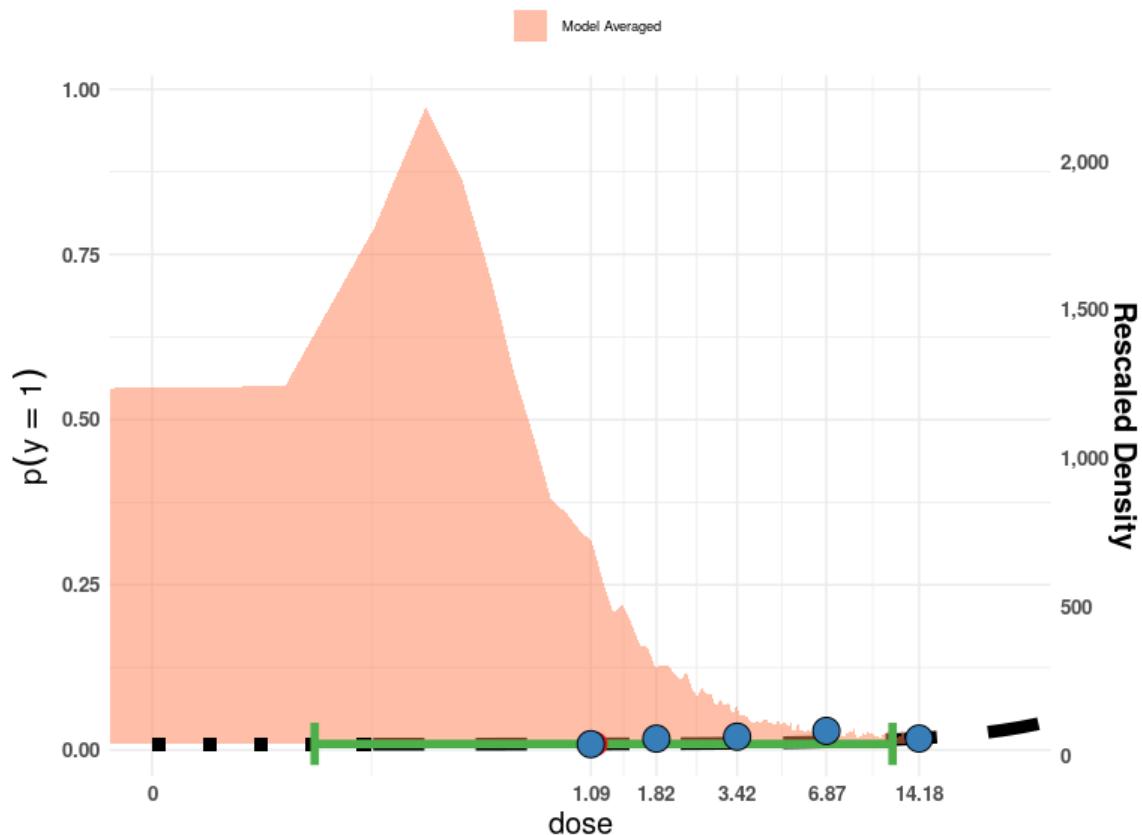
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Model Averaged	BS		0.126	1.132	11.527

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.072	1.183	10.999	0.139	1
IE4_Q	0.281	4.081	13.116	0.028	0
H4_Q	0.072	1.275	11.743	0.135	1
LN4_Q	0.177	2.430	12.537	0.056	1
G4_Q	0.071	1.252	10.613	0.138	1
QE4_Q	0.260	0.721	9.210	0.337	1
P4_Q	0.088	2.176	12.260	0.083	1
L4_Q	0.095	2.778	12.570	0.085	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Richter et al. (2022) congenital heart disease, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for congenital heart disease

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.12	4453	495970
0.13	2413	235630
0.17	3522	292222
0.22	239	18591

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.000452985.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.008888582; the most likely: 0.008978366; max: 0.009068149. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

The results do not fulfill the EFSA BMD guidance (2022) recommendations since none of the candidate models fit the data sufficiently well.

Goodness of Fit

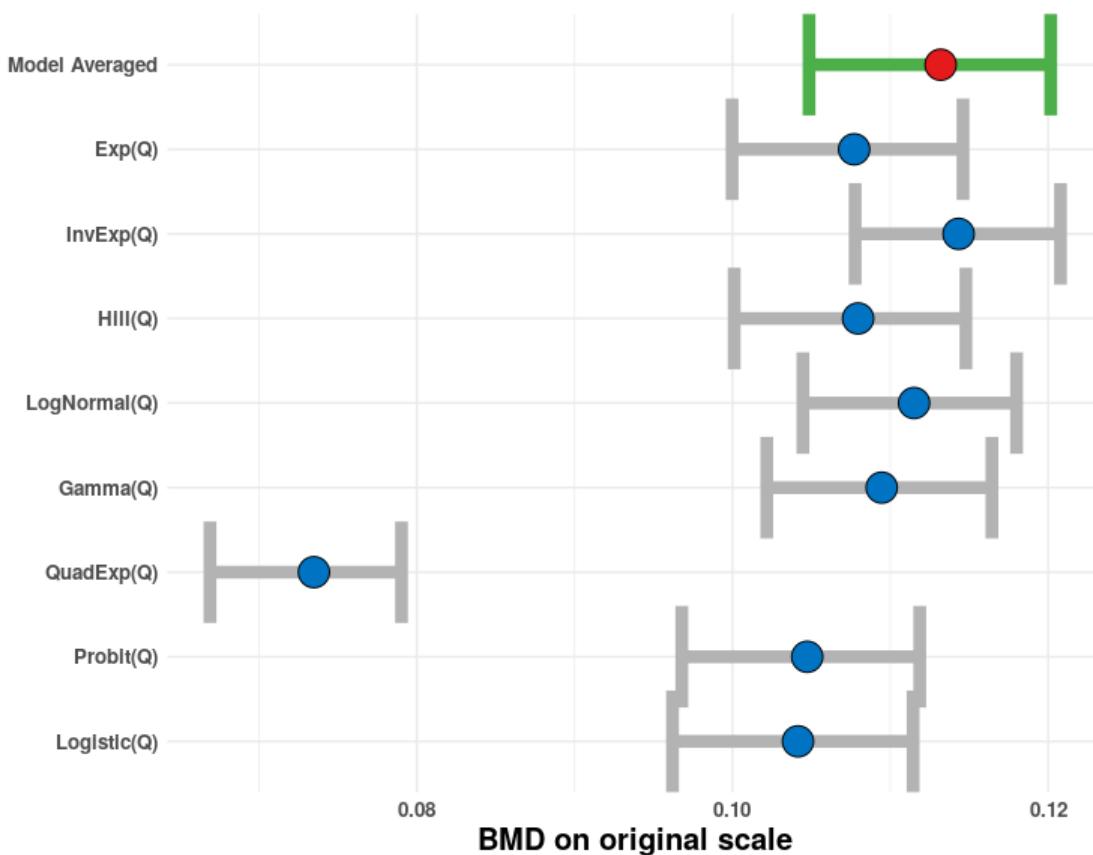
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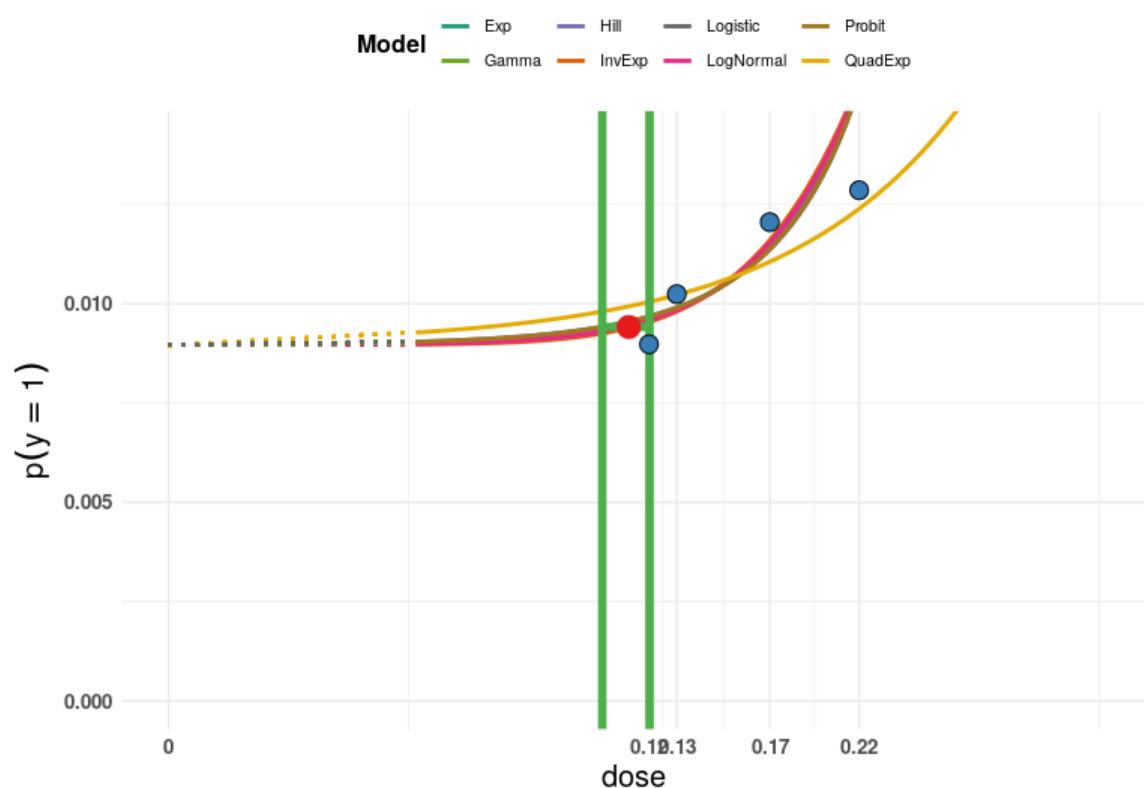
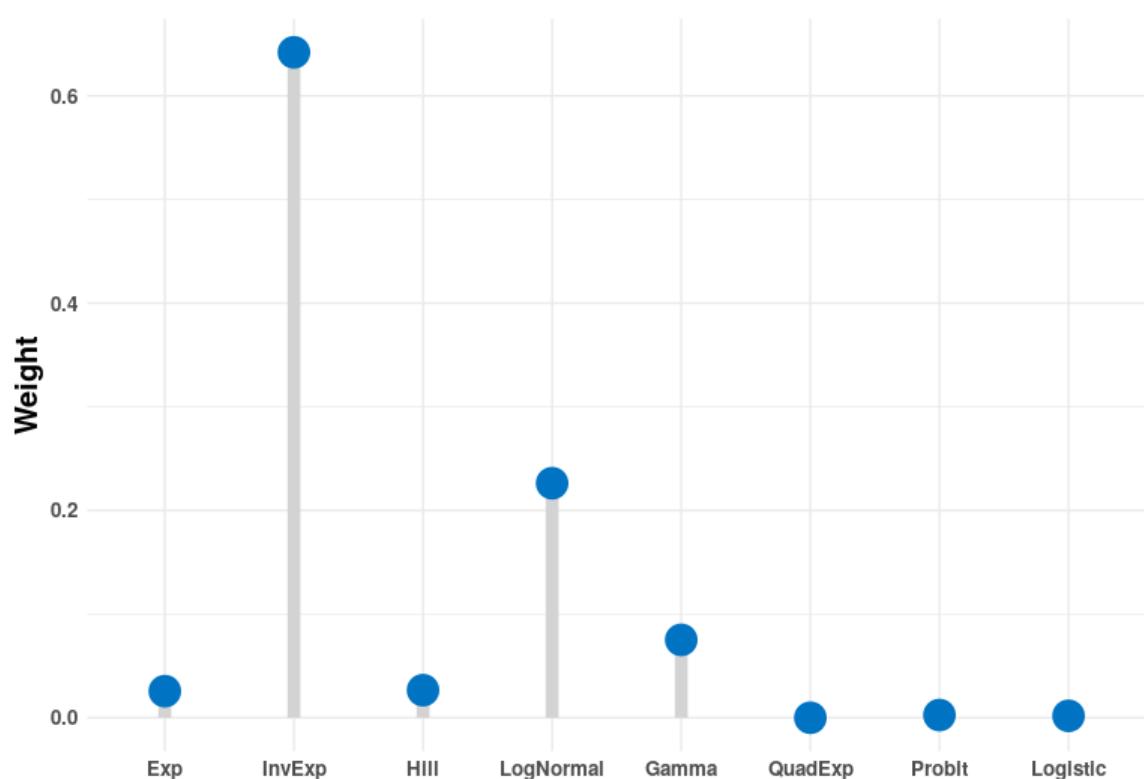
Model Averaged BMD

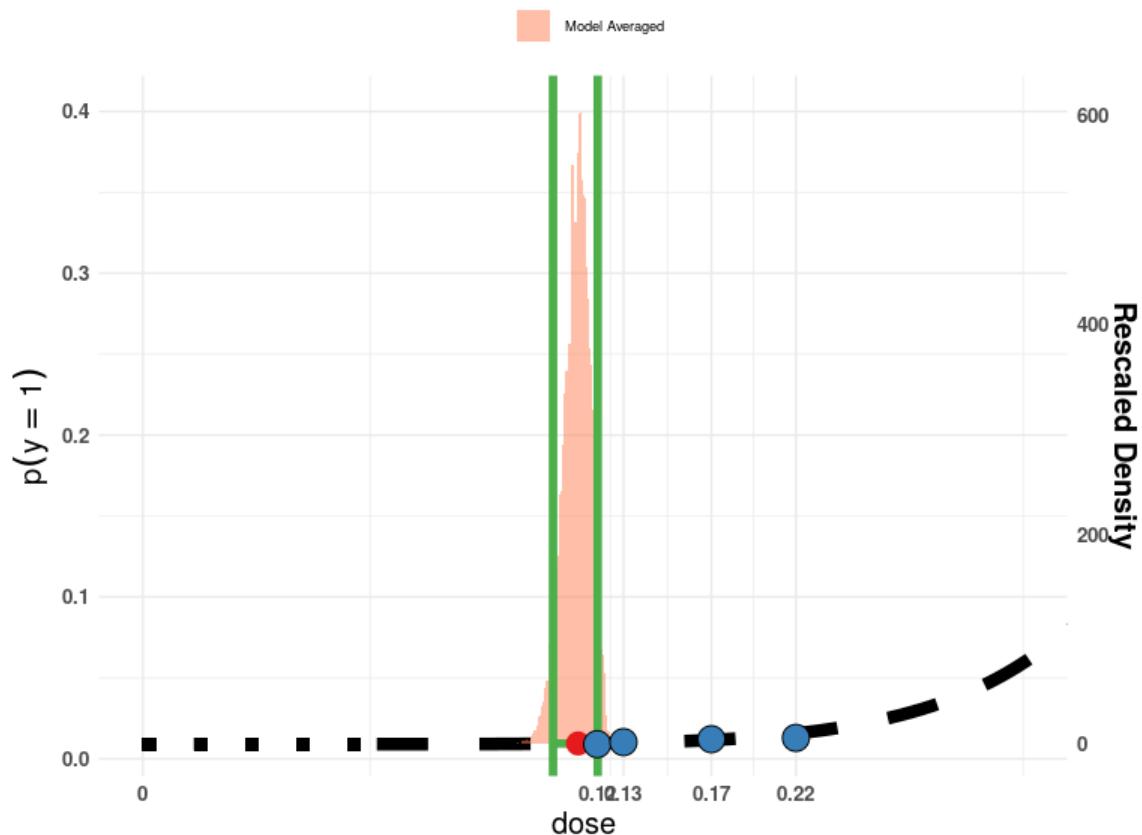
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.105	0.113	0.12

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.100	0.108	0.115	0.026	1
IE4_Q	0.108	0.114	0.121	0.642	1
H4_Q	0.100	0.108	0.115	0.027	1
LN4_Q	0.104	0.112	0.118	0.226	1
G4_Q	0.102	0.109	0.116	0.075	1
QE4_Q	0.067	0.073	0.079	0.000	1
P4_Q	0.097	0.105	0.112	0.003	1
L4_Q	0.096	0.104	0.111	0.002	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Siddique et al. (2020) asthma symptoms, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for asthma symptoms

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
1.28	14	279
6.16	27	281
71.45	46	282

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.002641509.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.049677419; the most likely: 0.050179211; max: 0.050681004. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

The results do not fulfill the EFSA BMD guidance (EFSA Scientific Committee, 2022) recommendations since none of the candidate models fit the data sufficiently well, BMD/BMDL > 20 and BMDU/BMDL > 50.

Goodness of Fit

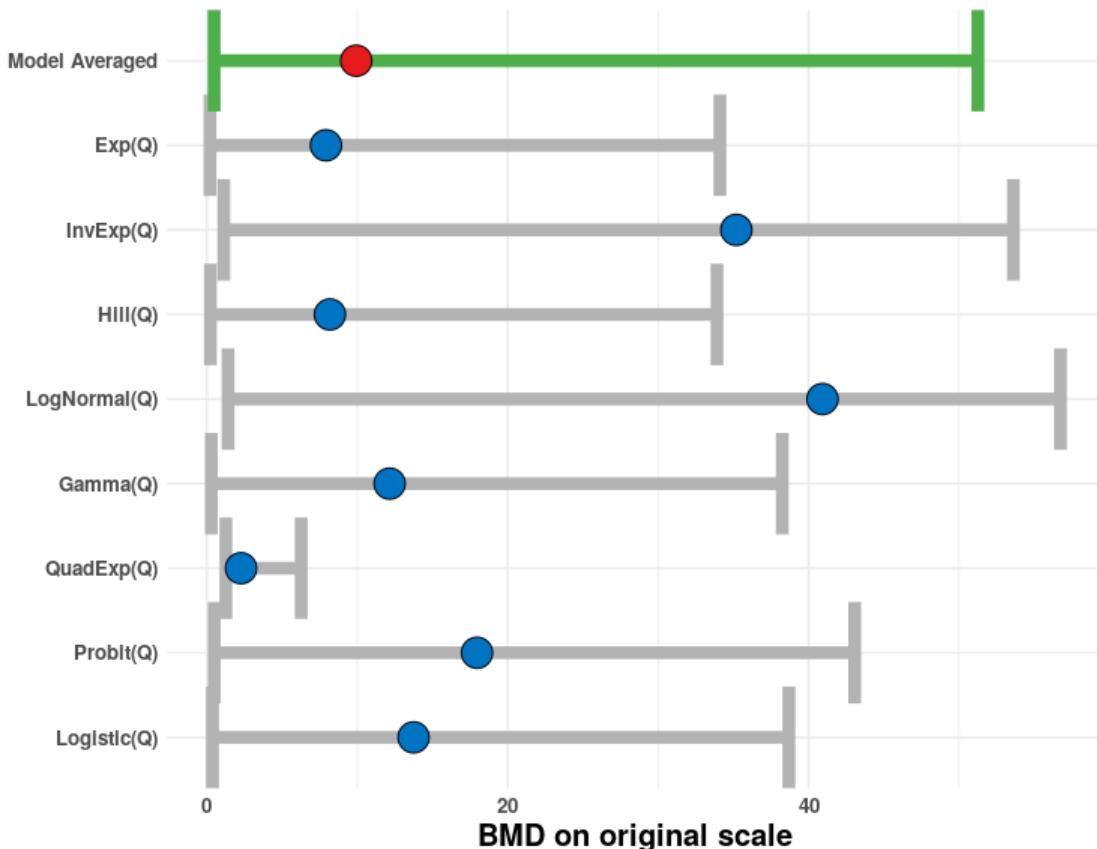
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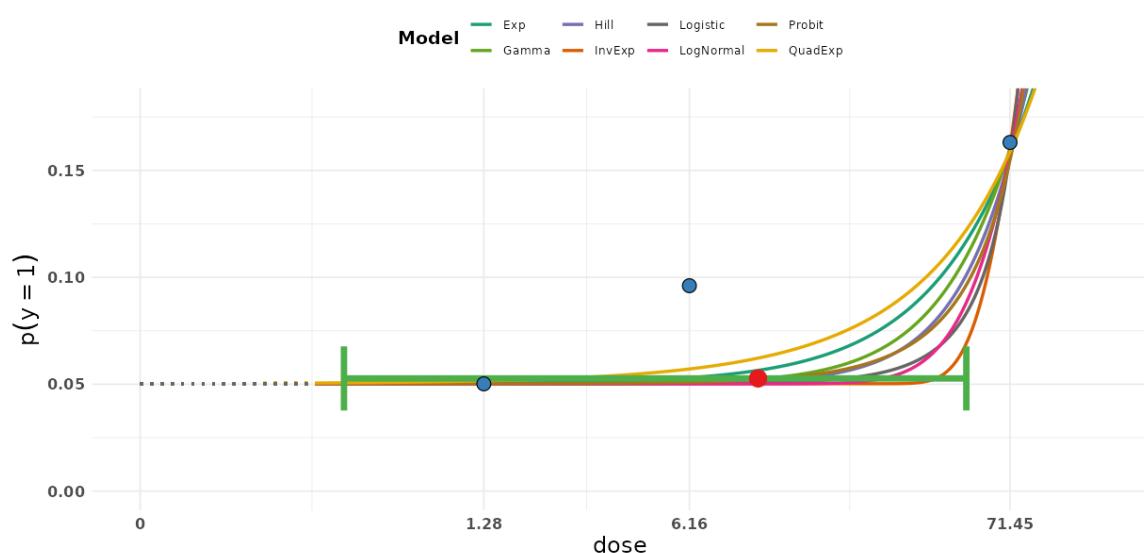
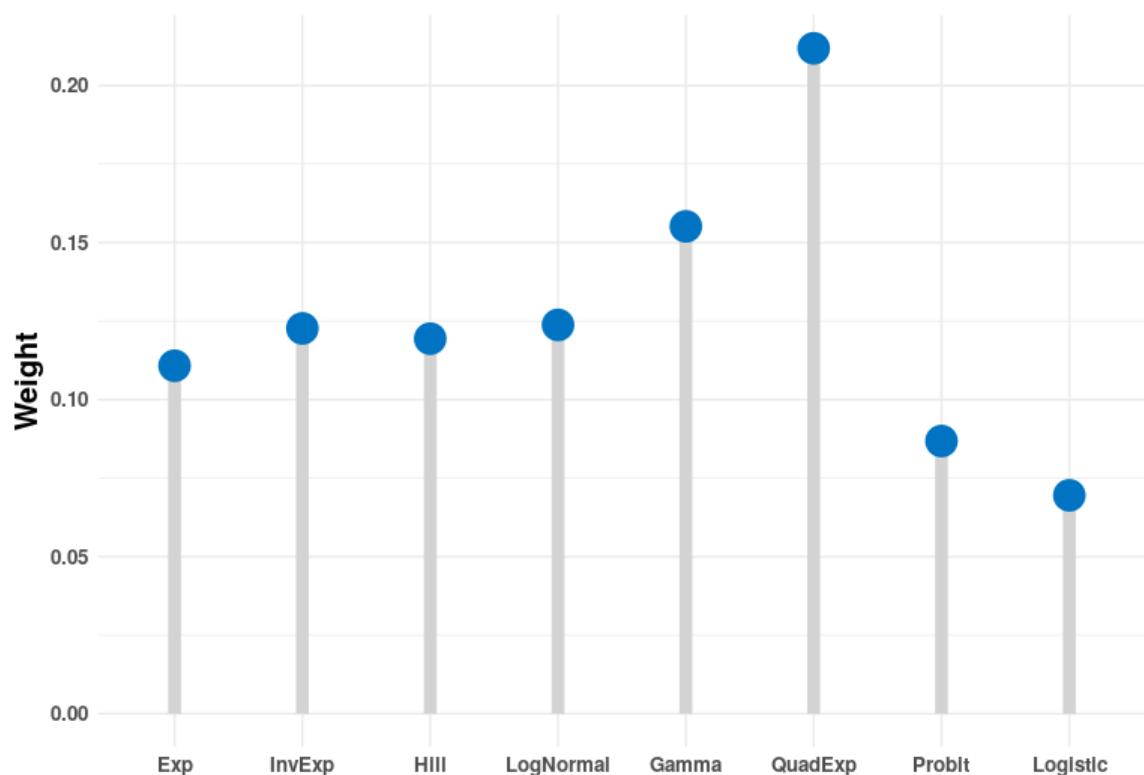
Model Averaged BMD

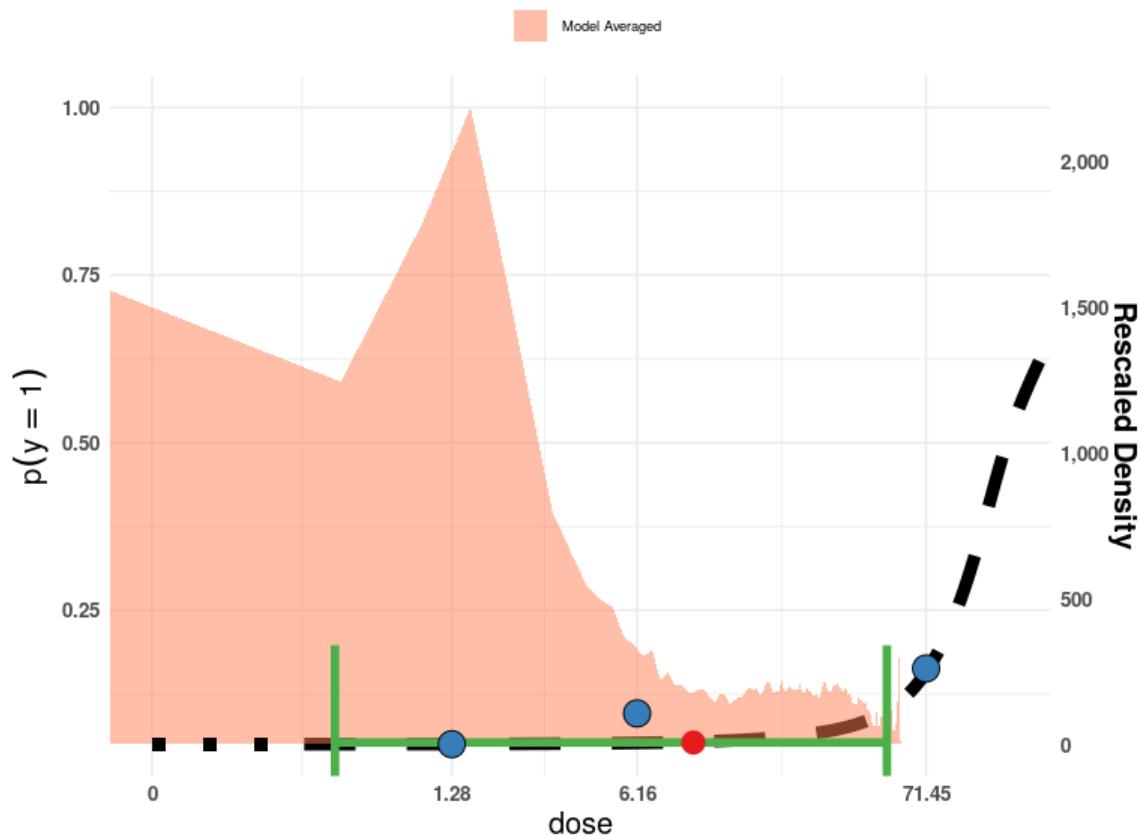
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.475	9.927	51.257

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.202	7.914	34.109	0.111	1
IE4_Q	1.119	35.197	53.617	0.123	1
H4_Q	0.228	8.175	33.911	0.119	0
LN4_Q	1.402	40.924	56.749	0.124	0
G4_Q	0.292	12.145	38.251	0.155	1
QE4_Q	1.260	2.267	6.268	0.212	1
P4_Q	0.482	17.956	43.066	0.087	1
L4_Q	0.370	13.737	38.688	0.070	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Siddique et al. (2020) FEV1 (lung function), BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: FEV1 response

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Response	SD	N
1.28	1.578	0.575	279
6.16	1.455	0.578	281
71.45	1.375	0.797	282

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 1.4202; the most likely: 1.578; max: 1.7358. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

The results do not fulfill the EFSA BMD guidance (2022) recommendations since none of the candidate models fit the data sufficiently well.

Check for constant variance coefficient of variation

distributional assumption of constant variance for the normal distribution is not met, Bartlett test p-value is 0.0000

distributional assumption of constant variance (on log-scale) is not met, Bartlett test p-value is 0.0000

Goodness of Fit

None of the models provide an adequate fit to the data (Bayes factor is 3.46e+01).

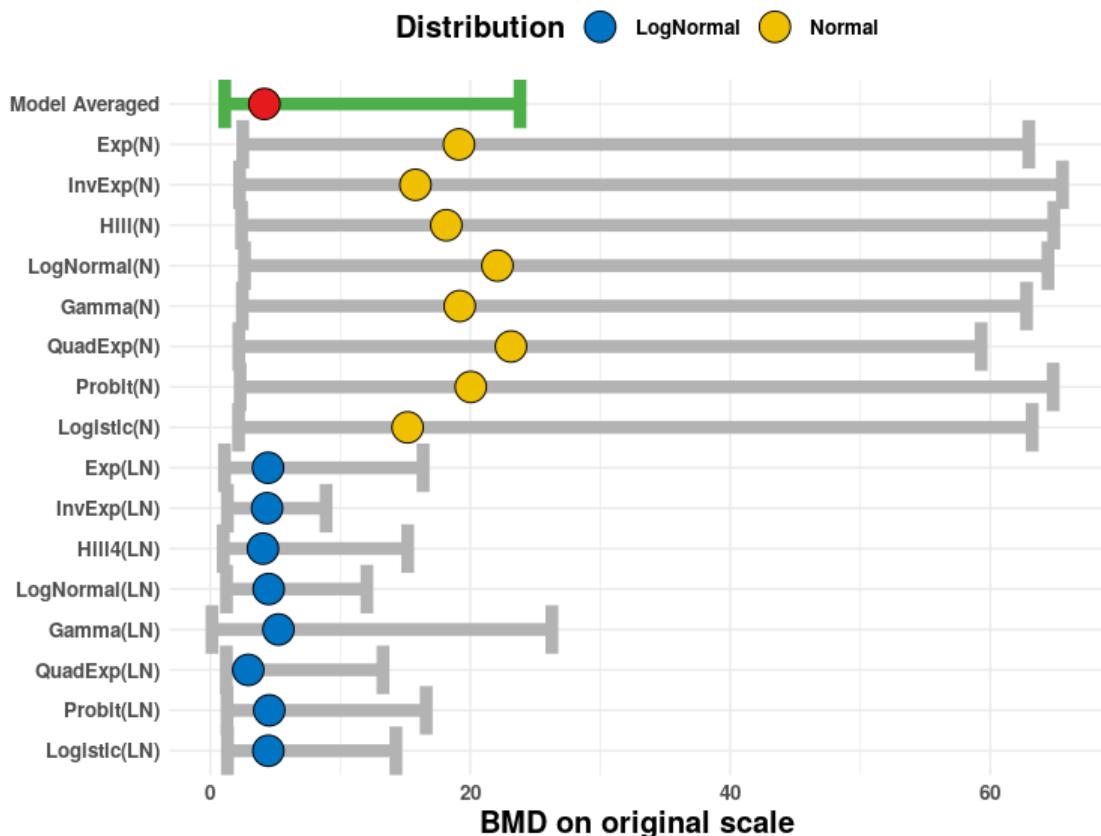
Model Averaged BMD

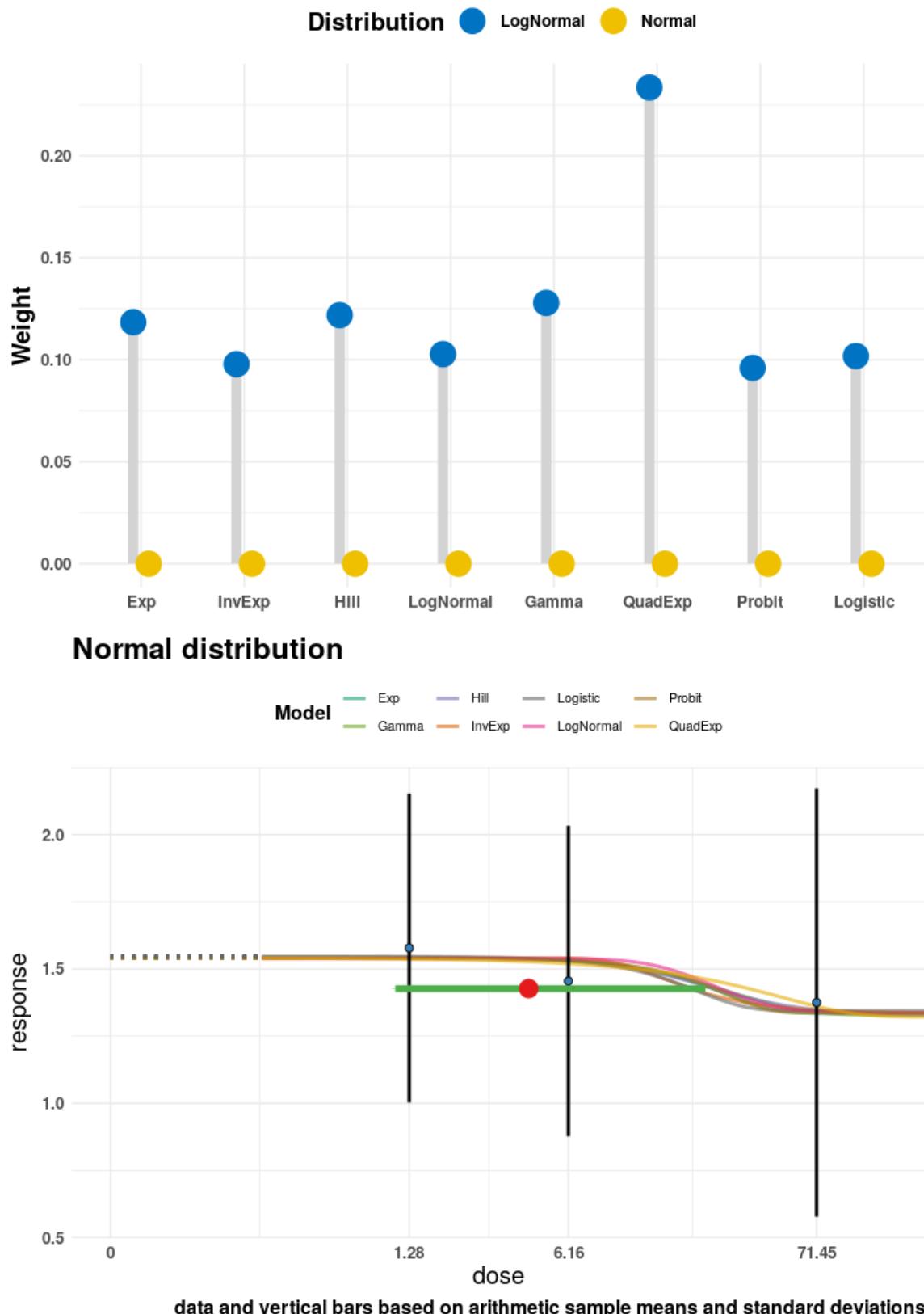
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	1.115	4.163	23.827
Model Averaged	BS	2.193	10.390	60.440
Model Averaged	BS	2.705	28.216	66.152
Model Averaged	BS	1.256	3.735	7.077

Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	1.314	4.749	40.021

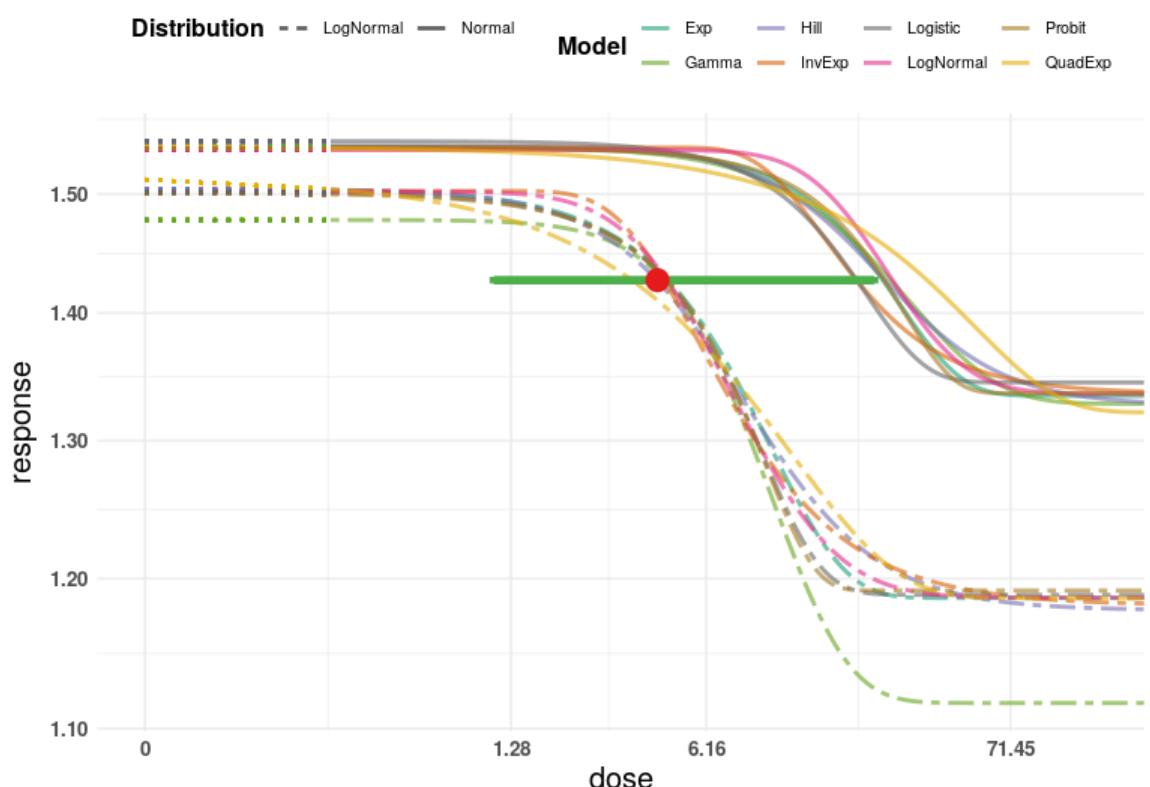
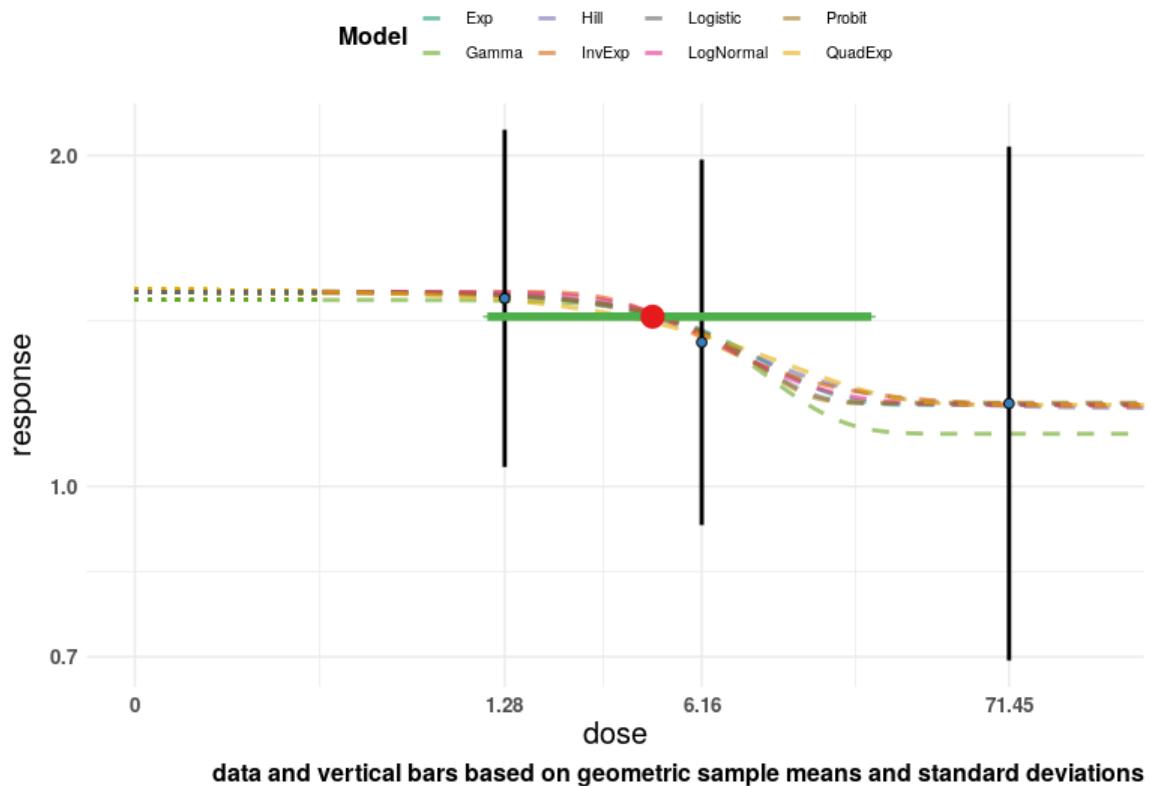
Estimated BMDs per model

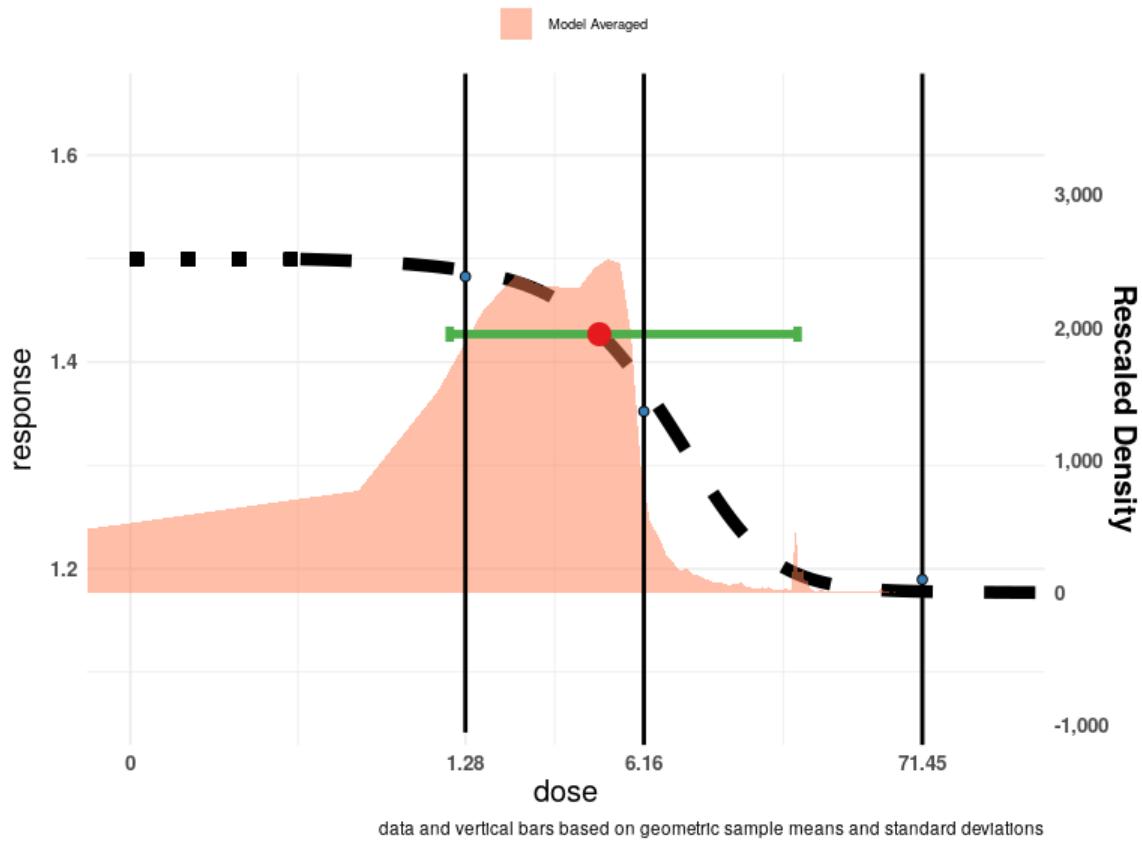
Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_N	2.502	19.134	62.961	0.000	1
IE4_N	2.251	15.782	65.551	0.000	1
H4_N	2.410	18.157	64.883	0.000	1
LN4_N	2.637	22.090	64.432	0.000	1
G4_N	2.465	19.188	62.784	0.000	1
QE4_N	2.200	23.129	59.294	0.000	1
P4_N	2.301	20.039	64.830	0.000	1
L4_N	2.180	15.180	63.218	0.000	1
E4_LN	1.091	4.444	16.373	0.118	1
IE4_LN	1.316	4.371	8.907	0.098	1
H4_LN	1.001	4.053	15.185	0.122	1
LN4_LN	1.249	4.494	12.050	0.103	1
G4_LN	0.134	5.245	26.279	0.128	0
QE4_LN	1.239	2.924	13.286	0.233	1
P4_LN	1.289	4.539	16.611	0.096	1
L4_LN	1.318	4.466	14.283	0.102	1

Plots of Fitted Models



LogNormal distribution





Siddique et al. (2020) FEV6 (lung function), BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: FEV6 response

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Response	SD	N
1.28	1.669	0.536	279
6.16	1.547	0.538	281
71.45	1.500	0.851	282

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 1.5021; the most likely: 1.669; max: 1.8359. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

The results do not fulfill the EFSA BMD guidance (EFSA Scientific Committee, 2022) recommendations since none of the candidate models fit the data sufficiently well.

Check for constant variance coefficient of variation

Distributional assumption of constant variance for the normal distribution is not met, Bartlett test p-value is 0

Distributional assumption of constant variance (on log-scale) are not met, Bartlett test p-value is 0

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Goodness of Fit

None of the models provide an adequate fit to the data (Bayes factor is 4.67e+01).

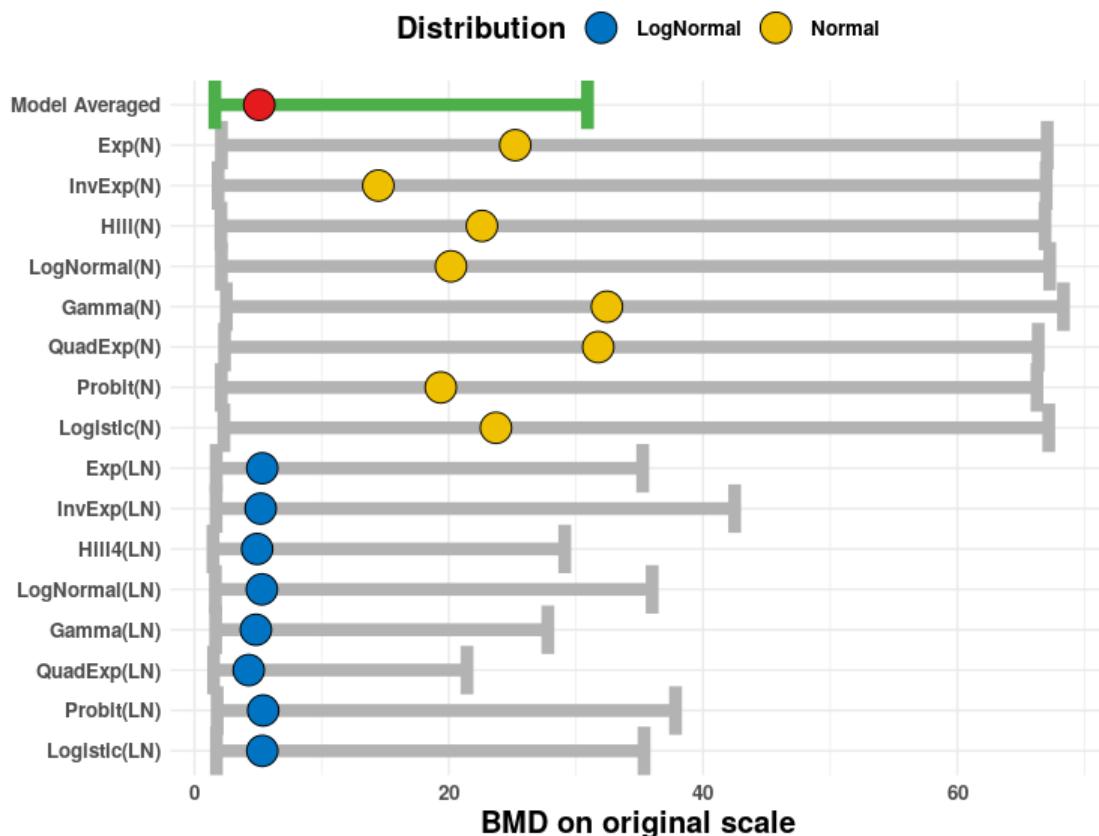
Model Averaged BMD

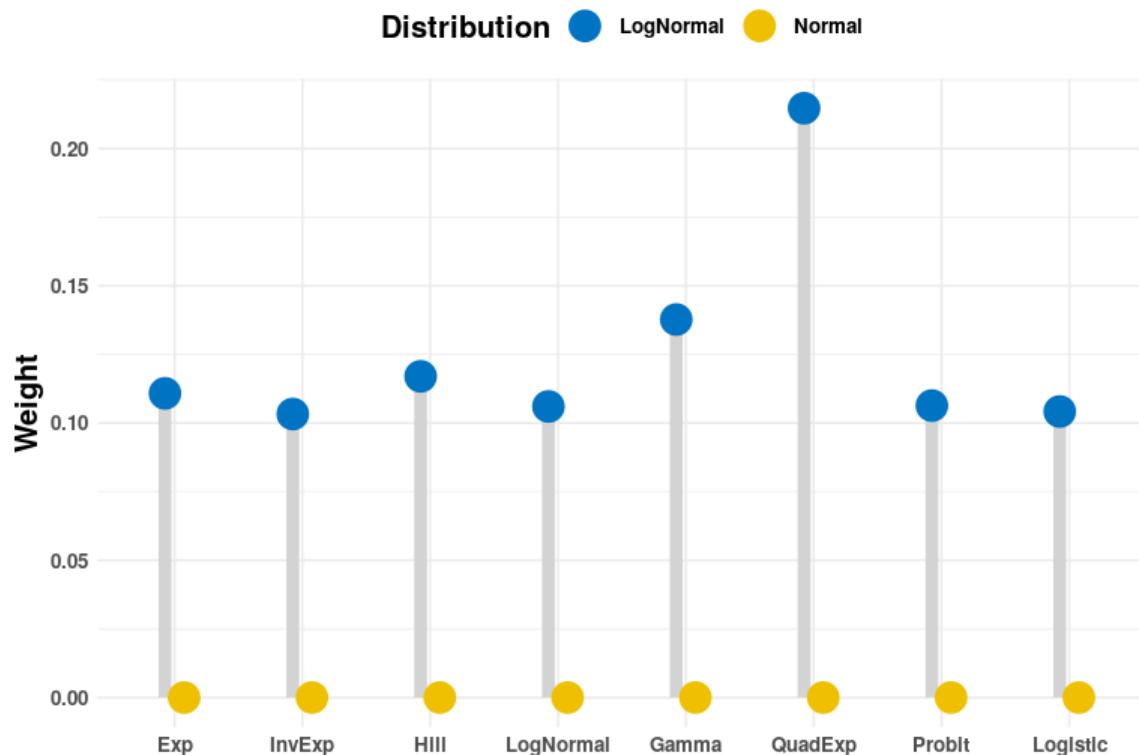
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	1.600	5.091	30.913

Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	1.829	8.088	64.527
Model Averaged	BS	2.842	36.619	68.215
Model Averaged	BS	1.525	4.400	10.449
Model Averaged	BS	1.662	6.403	45.149

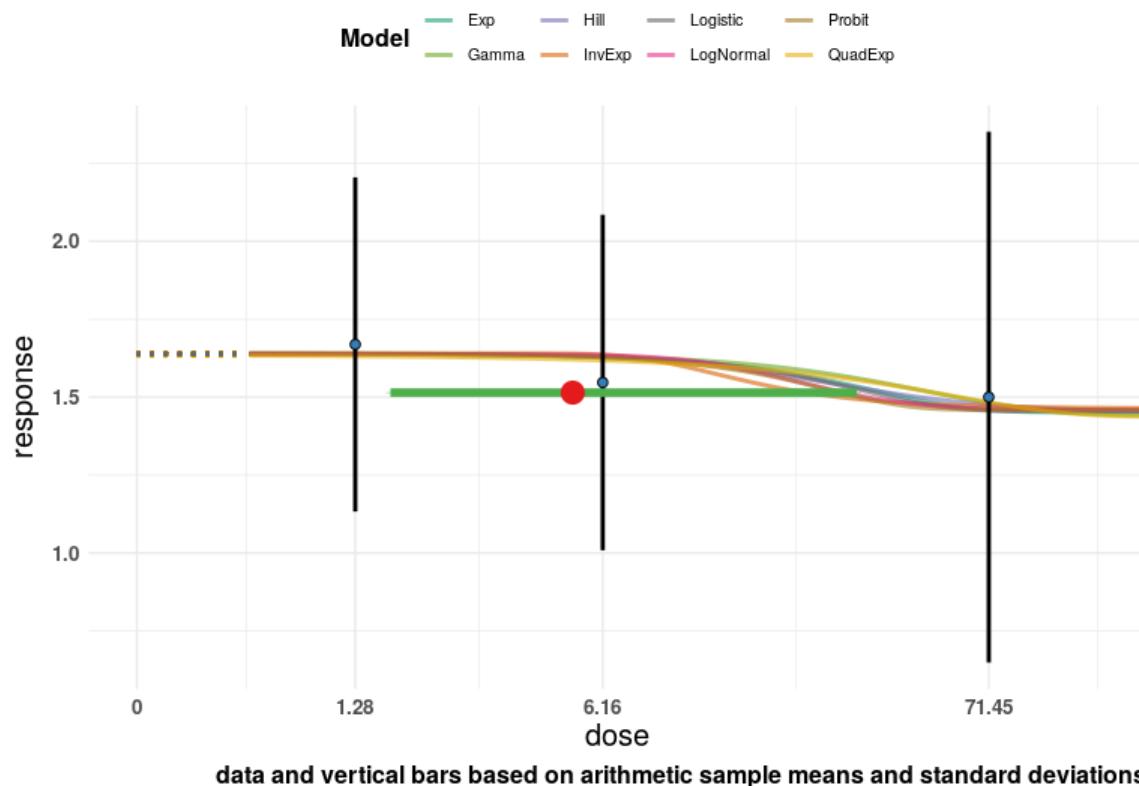
Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_N	2.115	25.229	67.076	0.000	1
IE4_N	1.855	14.460	66.995	0.000	1
H4_N	2.081	22.610	66.904	0.000	0
LN4_N	2.114	20.174	67.273	0.000	1
G4_N	2.509	32.442	68.355	0.000	0
QE4_N	2.360	31.756	66.370	0.000	1
P4_N	2.105	19.371	66.272	0.000	1
L4_N	2.312	23.713	67.197	0.000	1
E4_LN	1.707	5.326	35.255	0.111	1
IE4_LN	1.696	5.204	42.489	0.103	1
H4_LN	1.453	4.924	29.124	0.117	1
LN4_LN	1.643	5.298	35.999	0.106	1
G4_LN	1.664	4.829	27.794	0.138	1
QE4_LN	1.495	4.263	21.436	0.215	1
P4_LN	1.780	5.400	37.838	0.106	1
L4_LN	1.723	5.331	35.362	0.104	1

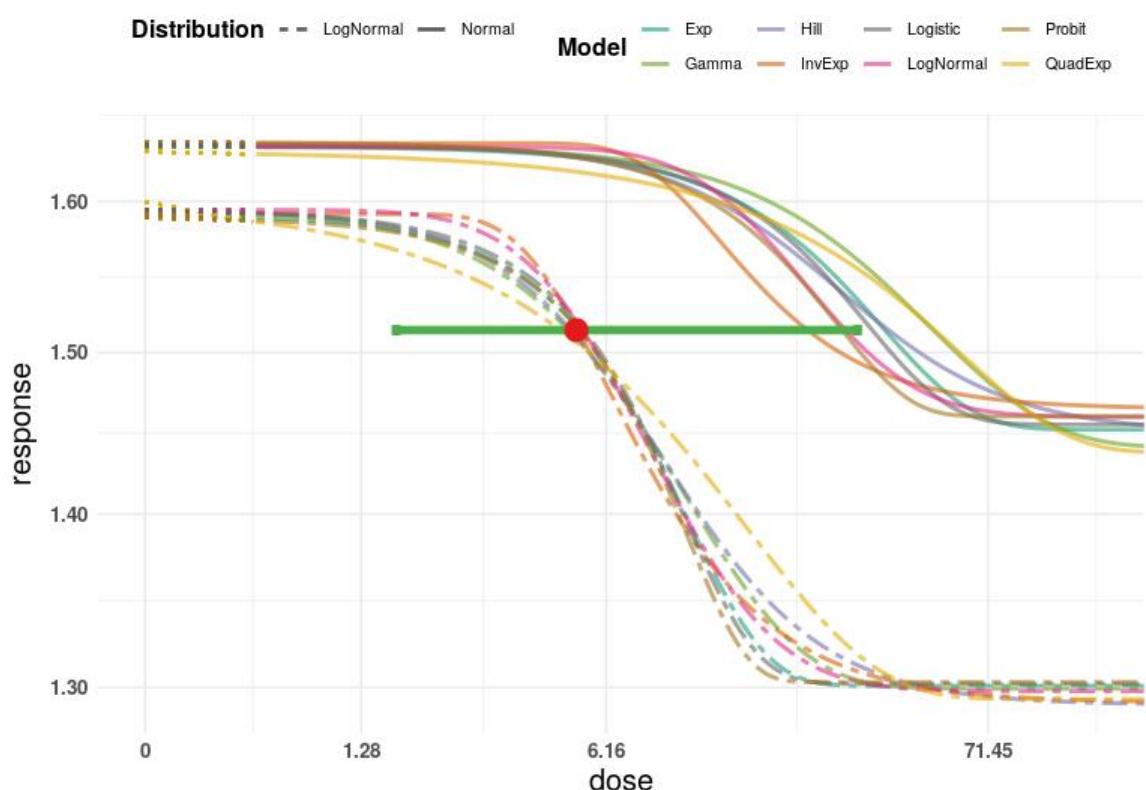
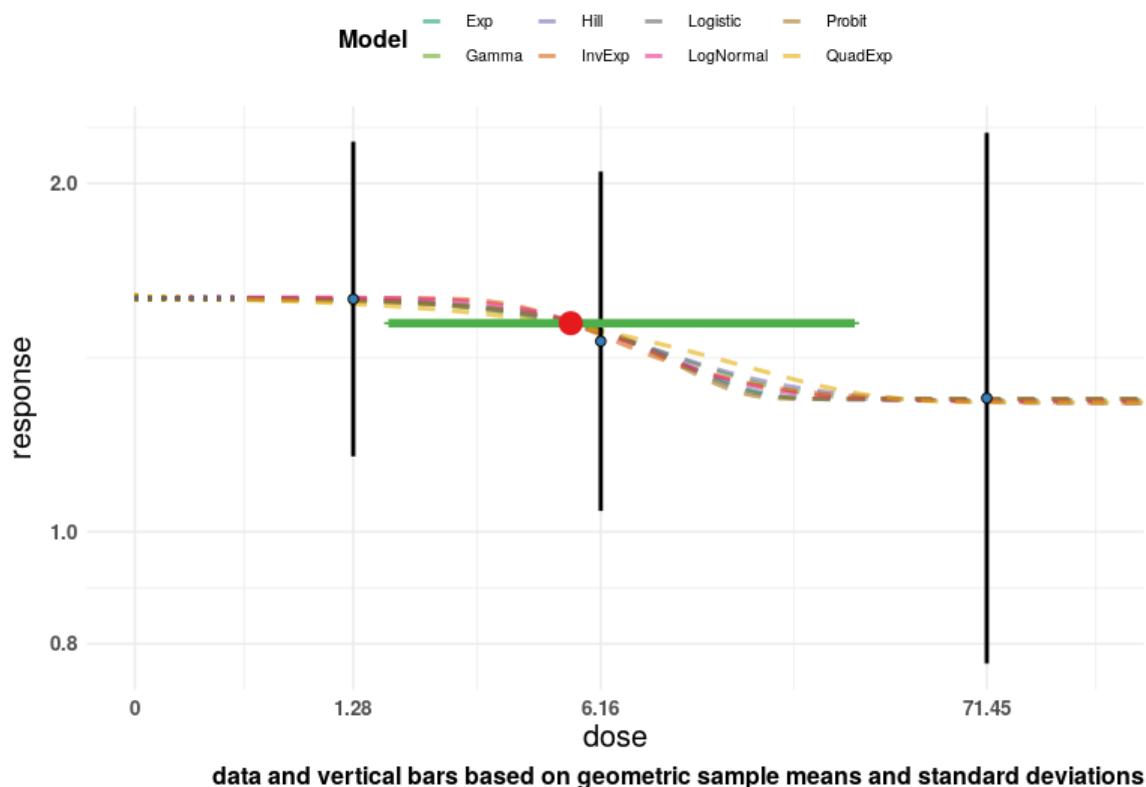
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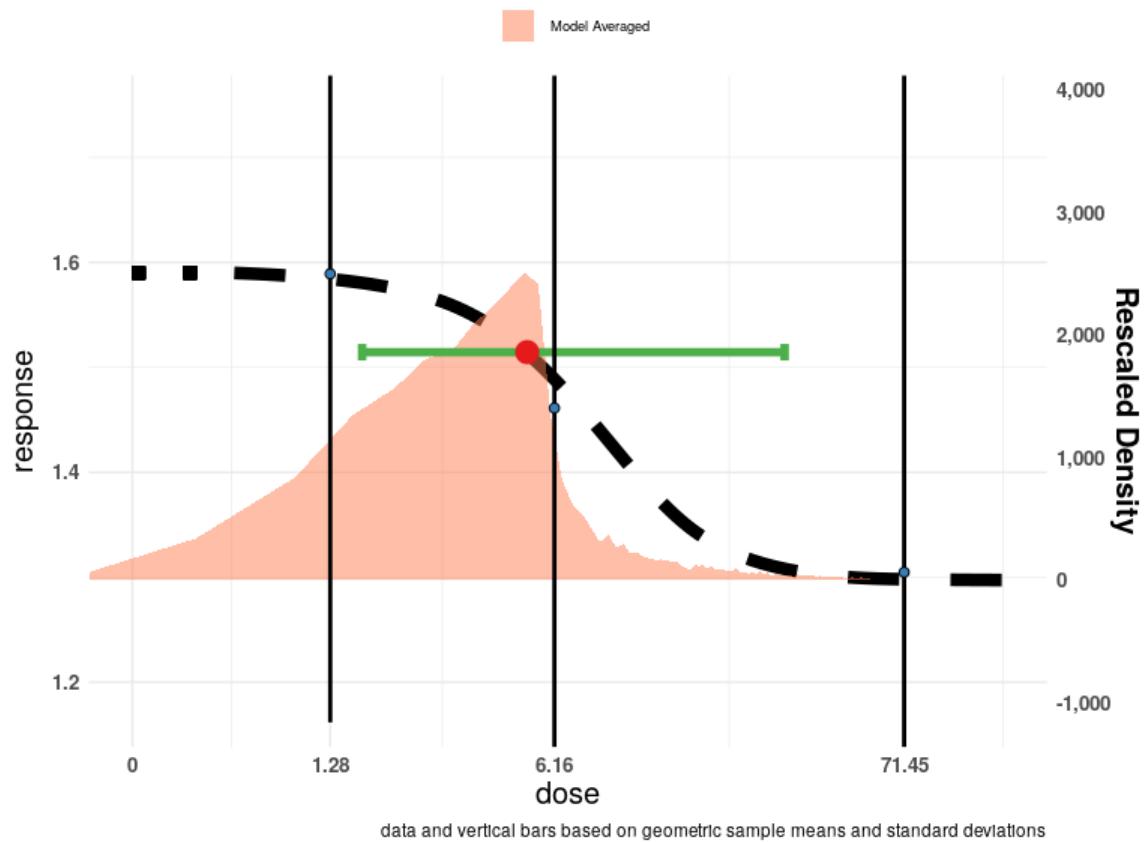


Normal distribution



LogNormal distribution





Siddique et al. (2020) obstruction (lung function), relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for obstruction

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
1.28	16	279
6.16	30	281
71.45	52	282

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.003041825.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.056774194; the most likely: 0.05734767; max: 0.057921147. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

The results do not fulfill the EFSA BMD guidance (2022) recommendations since none of the candidate models fit the data sufficiently well and BMDU/BMDL > 50.

Goodness of Fit

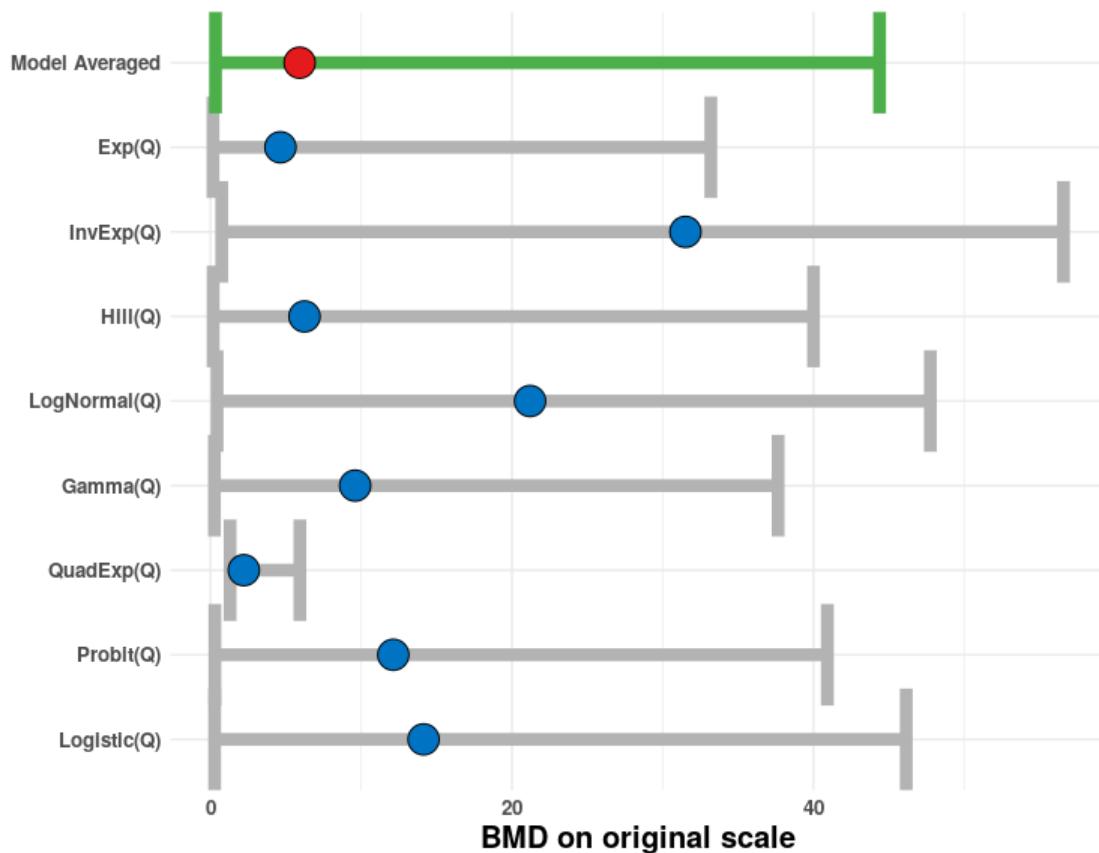
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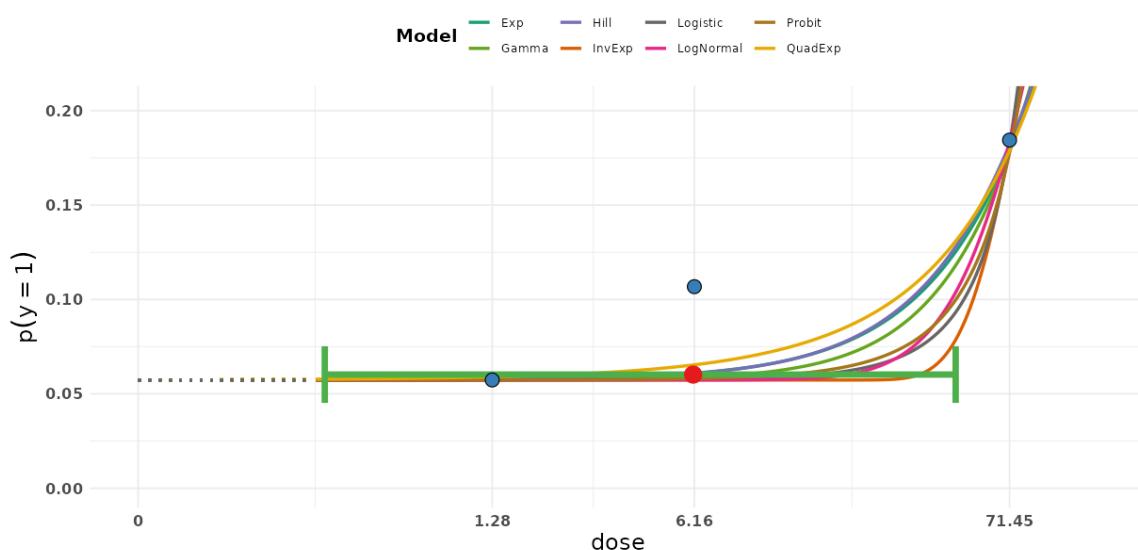
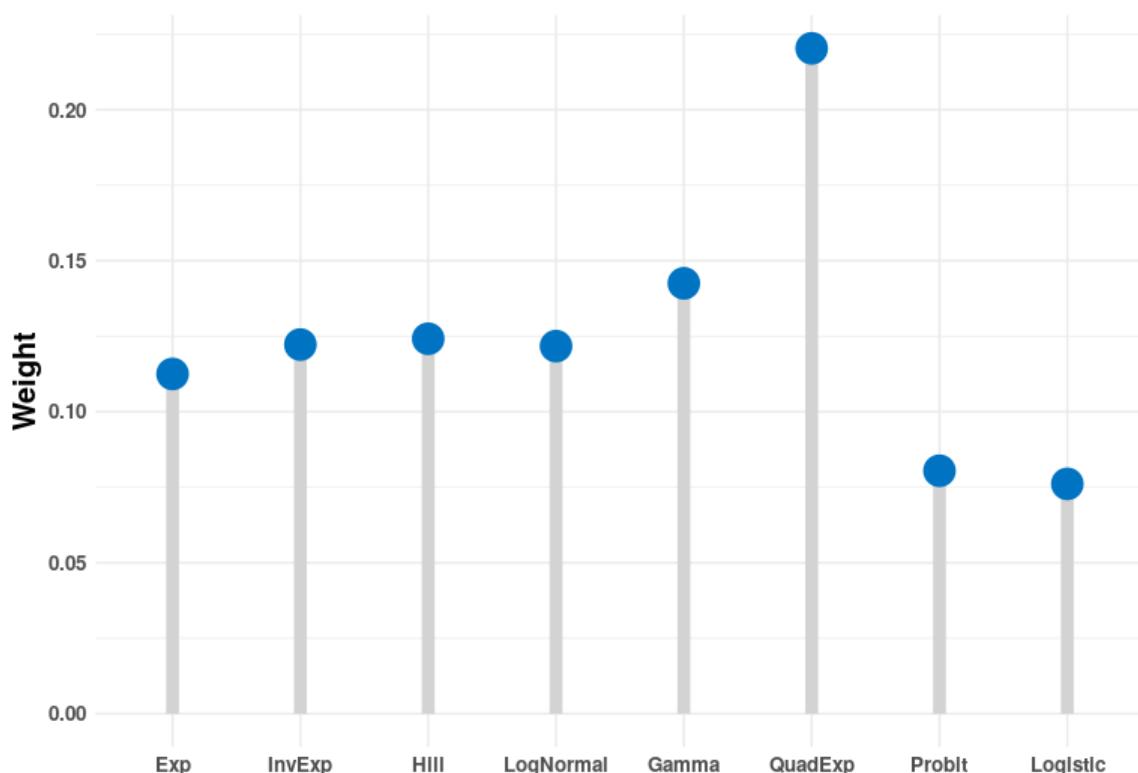
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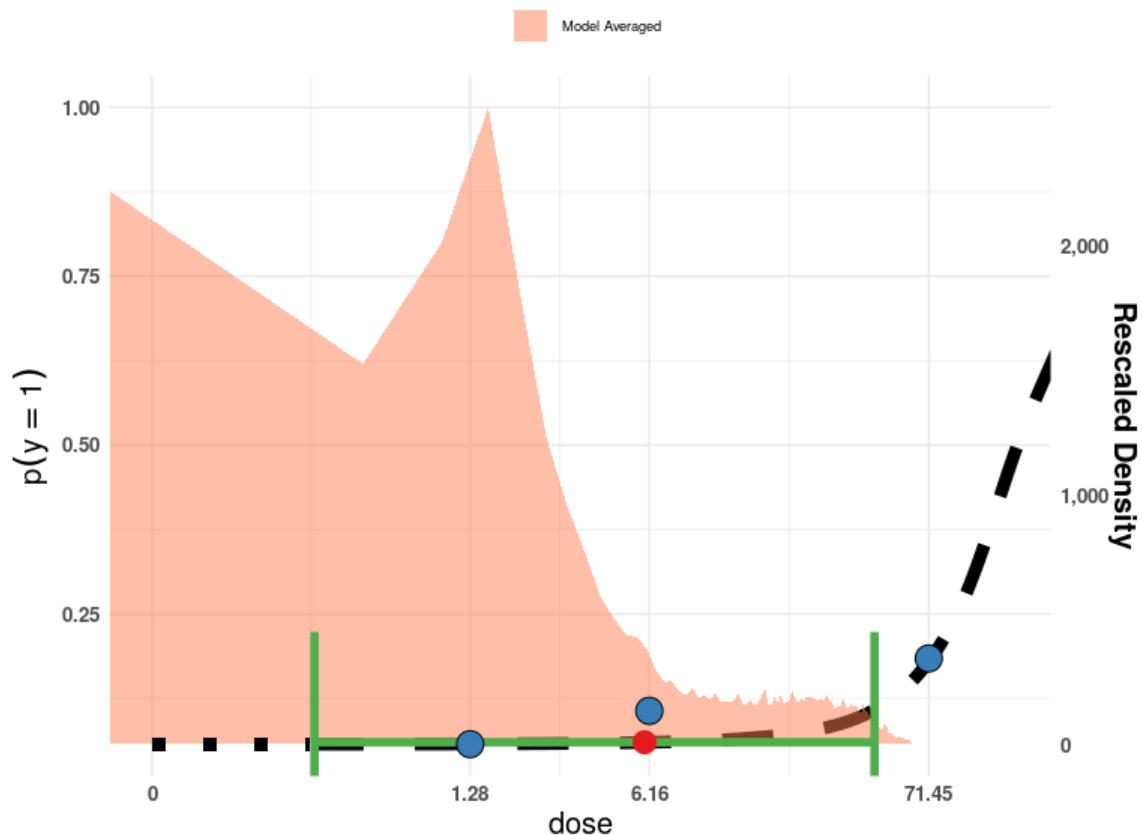
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.327	5.908	44.394

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.157	4.632	33.194	0.113	1
IE4_Q	0.736	31.510	56.598	0.122	0
H4_Q	0.167	6.230	40.009	0.124	1
LN4_Q	0.429	21.199	47.763	0.122	0
G4_Q	0.253	9.591	37.659	0.143	1
QE4_Q	1.291	2.204	5.925	0.220	1
P4_Q	0.283	12.123	40.928	0.080	0
L4_Q	0.267	14.132	46.164	0.076	0

Plots of Fitted Models





Siddique et al. (2020) reversible obstruction (lung function), relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for reversible obstruction

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
1.28	11	279
6.16	19	281
71.45	39	282

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.002052239.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.039032258; the most likely: 0.039426523; max: 0.039820789. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

The results do not fulfill the EFSA BMD guidance (EFSA Scientific Committee, 2022) recommendations since none of the candidate models fit the data sufficiently well.

Goodness of Fit

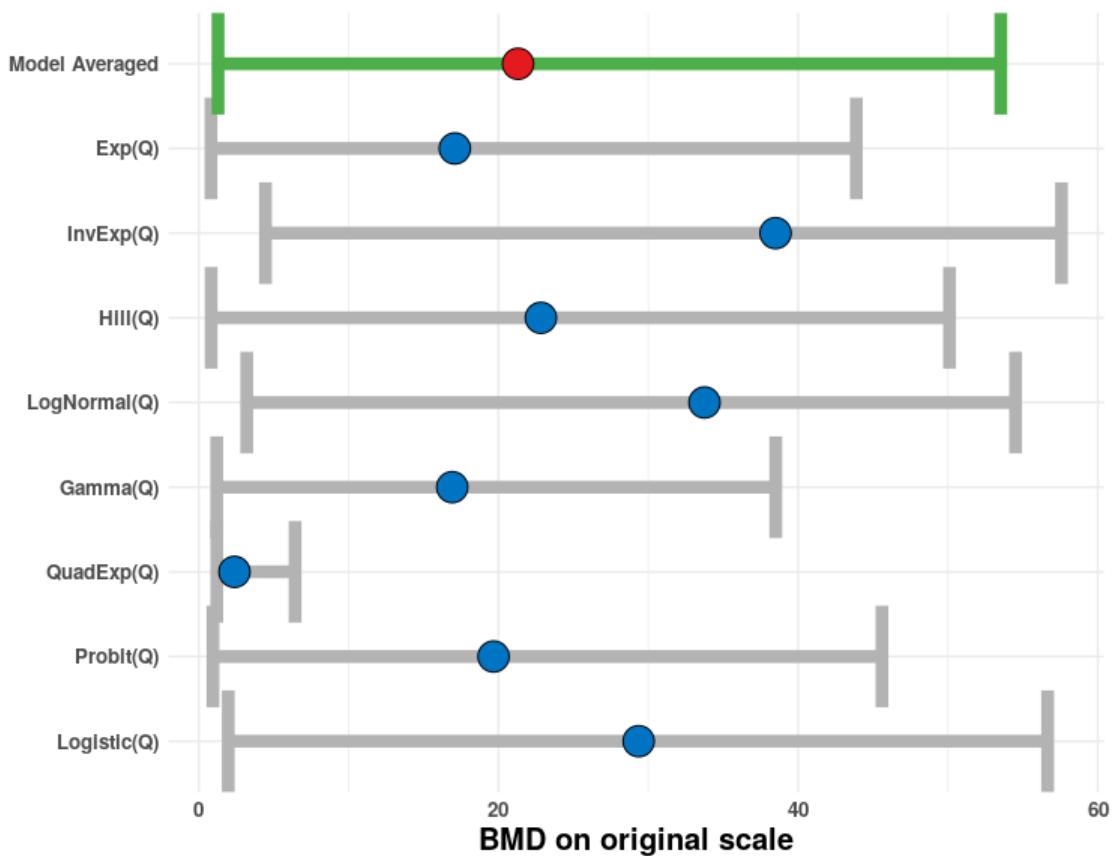
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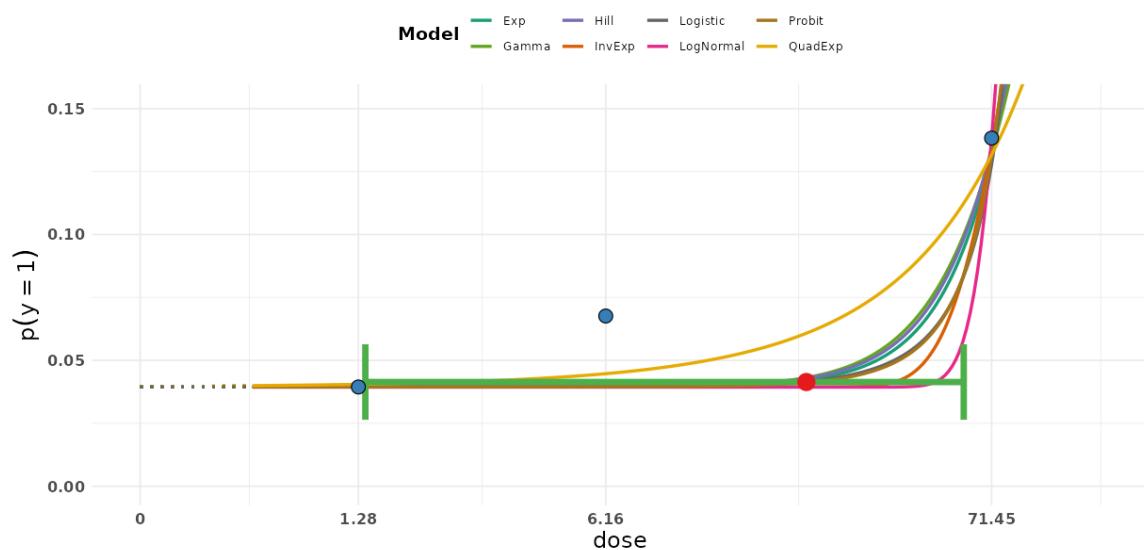
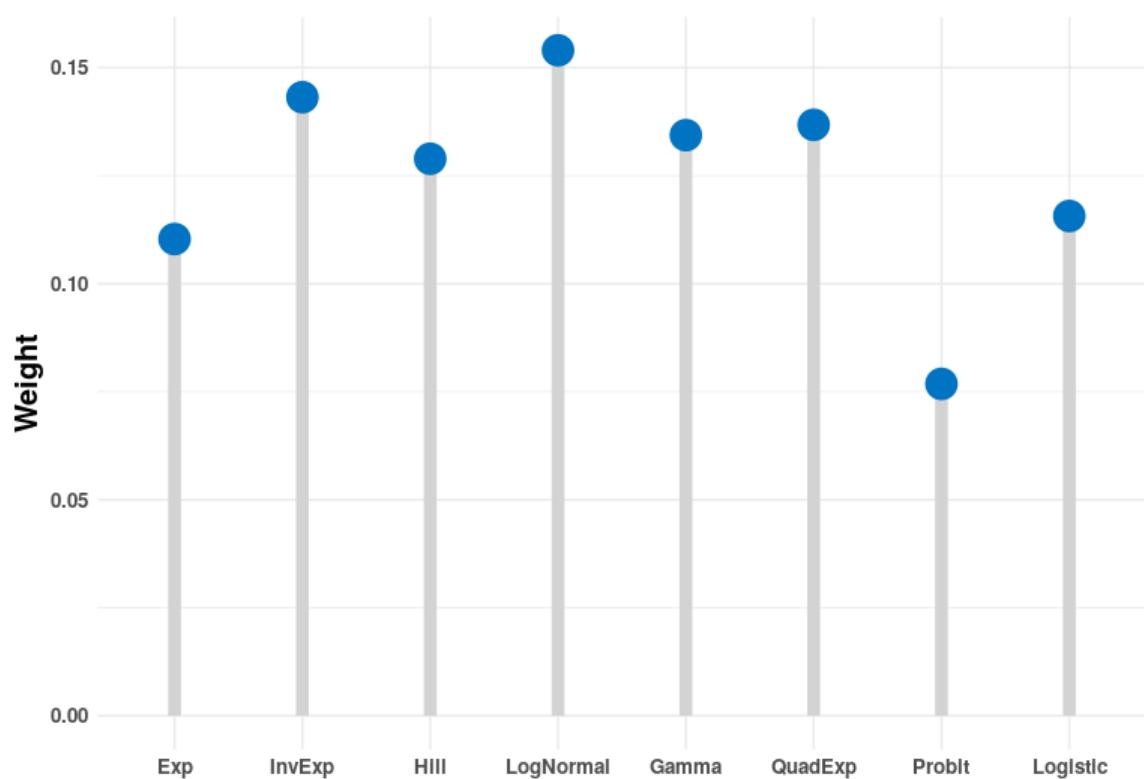
Model Averaged BMD

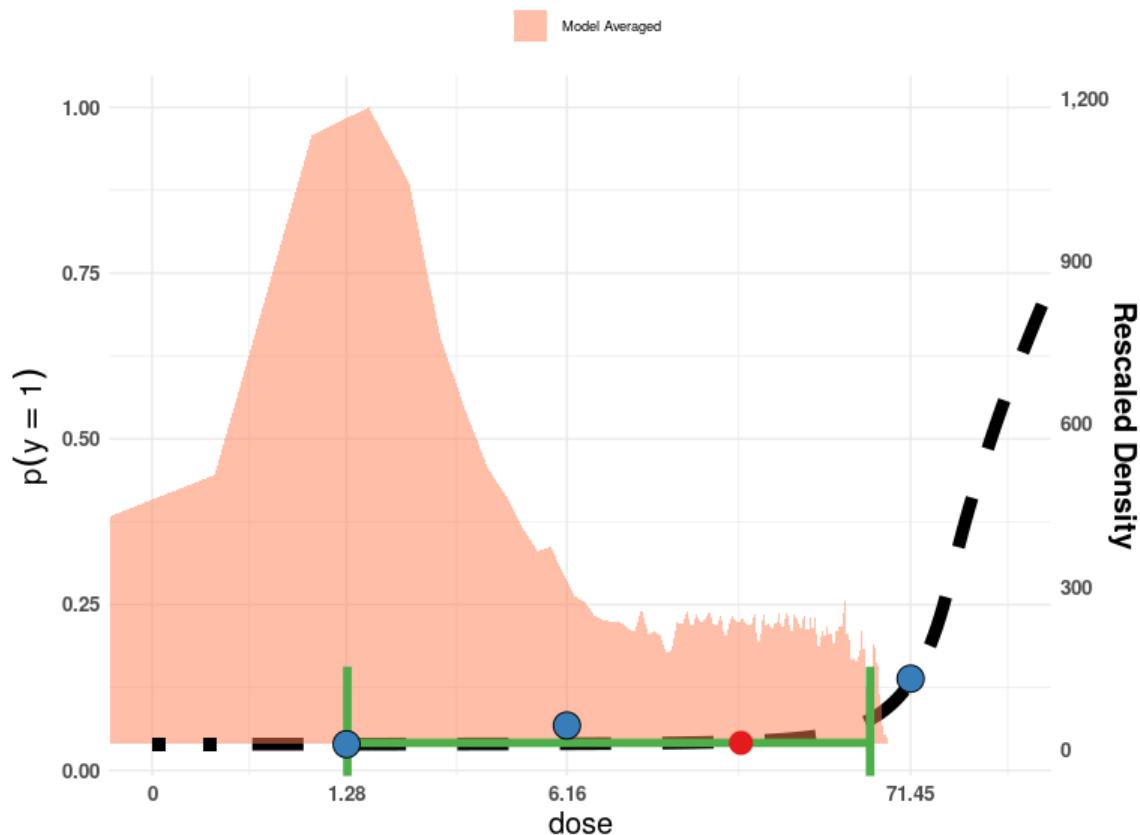
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	1.287	21.31	53.526

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.817	17.090	43.884	0.110	1
IE4_Q	4.452	38.492	57.576	0.143	1
H4_Q	0.828	22.834	50.105	0.129	0
LN4_Q	3.201	33.752	54.515	0.154	1
G4_Q	1.199	16.916	38.509	0.134	1
QE4_Q	1.204	2.384	6.430	0.137	1
P4_Q	0.947	19.674	45.596	0.077	1
L4_Q	1.971	29.357	56.652	0.116	0

Plots of Fitted Models





Steinmaus et al. (2013) bladder cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average, all years, based on arsenic water concentrations and water intake of 1.9L (included only in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases. for bladder cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.64	34	142031
1.71	29	132891
4.05	62	99844
5.63	107	75234

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.197e-05.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00022742; the most likely: 0.00023938; max: 0.00025135. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

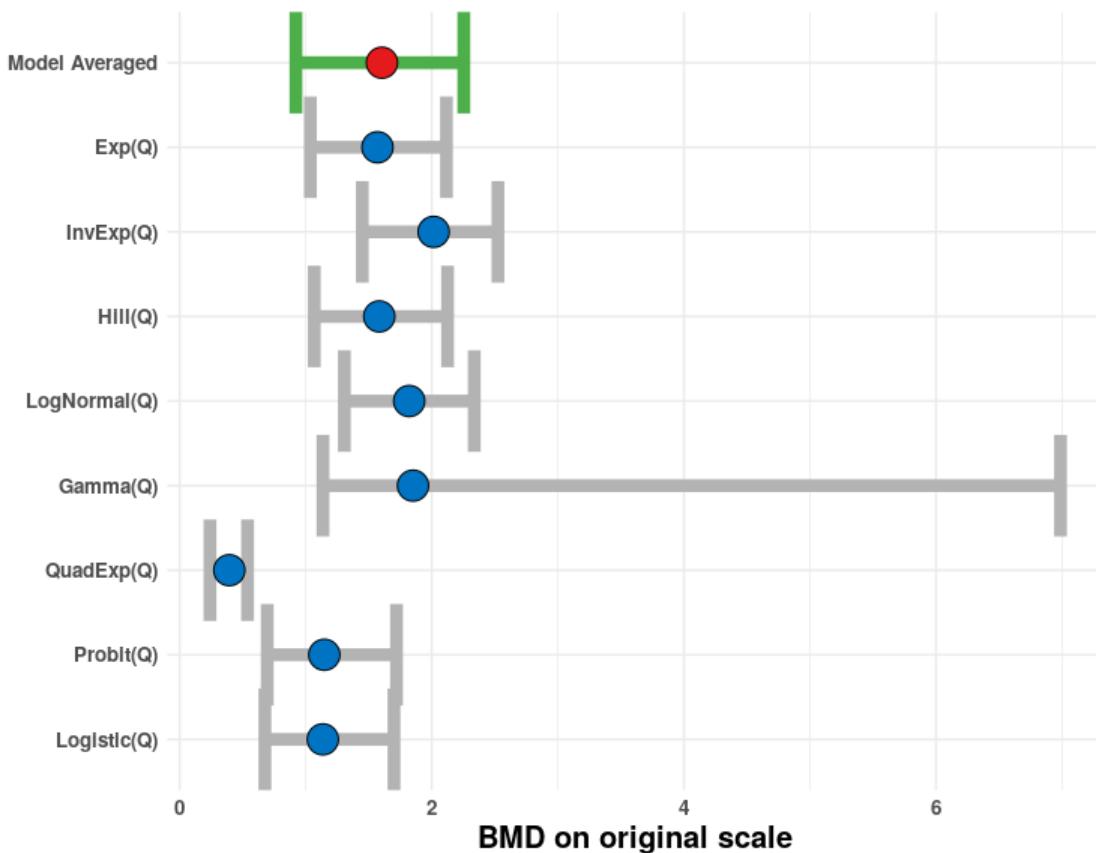
Best fitting model fits sufficiently well (Bayes factor is 2.38e-03).

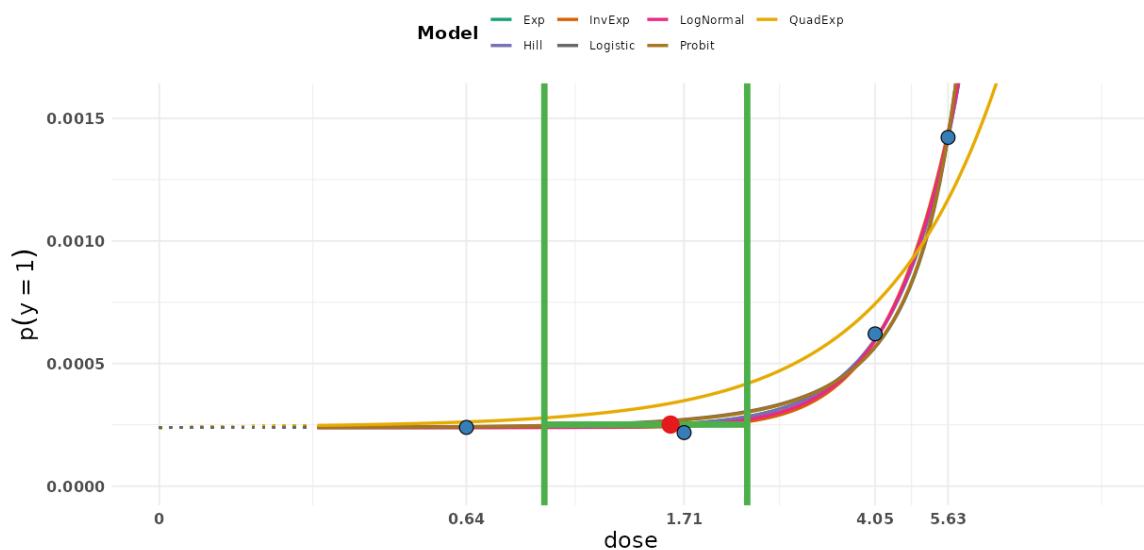
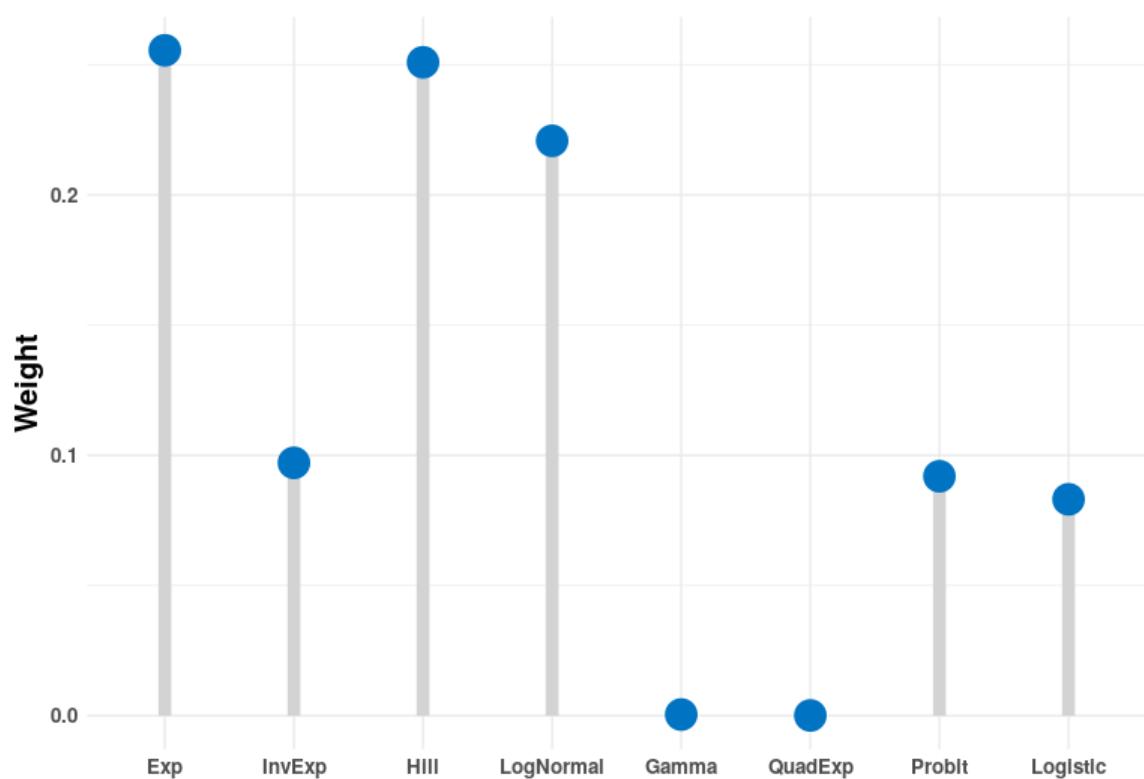
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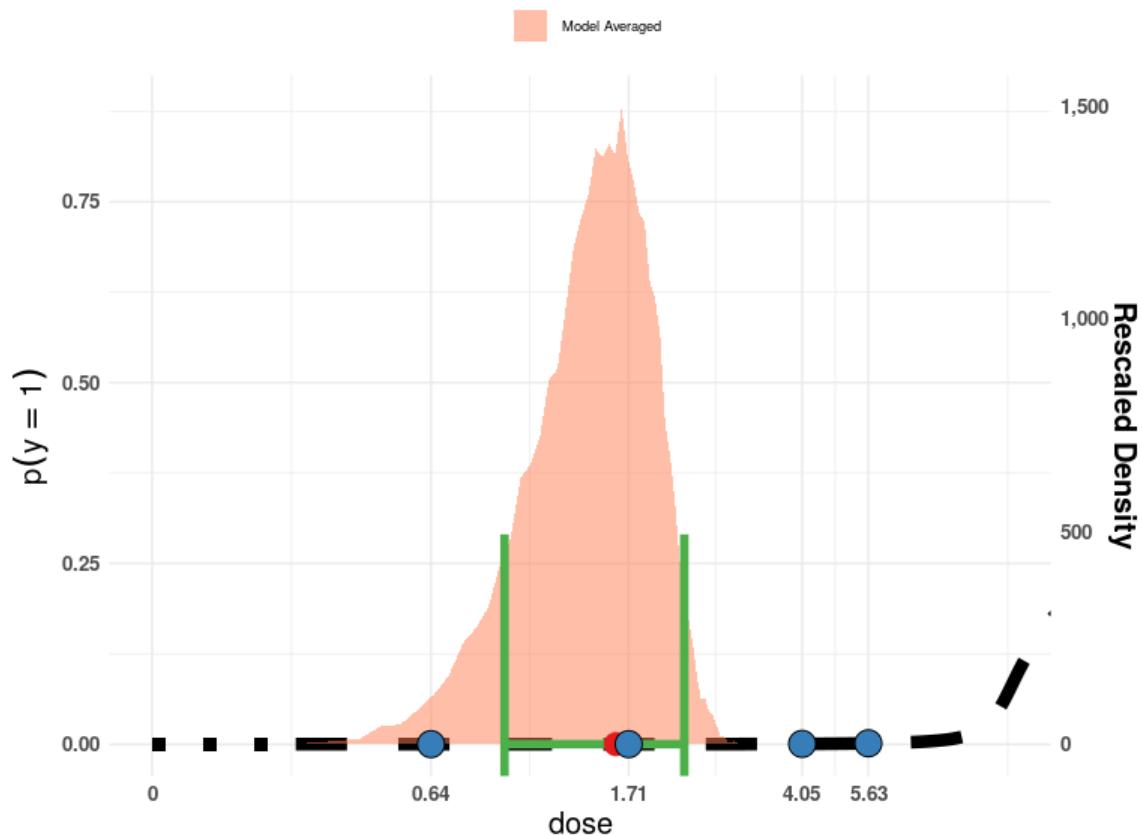
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	Model Averaged	BS	0.922	1.605	2.254

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	1.037	1.569	2.116	0.256	1
IE4_Q	1.449	2.015	2.525	0.097	1
H4_Q	1.068	1.583	2.125	0.251	1
LN4_Q	1.306	1.821	2.337	0.221	1
G4_Q	1.137	1.851	6.988	0.000	0
QE4_Q	0.241	0.394	0.539	0.000	1
P4_Q	0.695	1.148	1.720	0.092	1
L4_Q	0.676	1.136	1.700	0.083	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Steinmaus et al. (2013) bladder cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average, all years, based on arsenic daily intakes (the preferred exposure estimate for the study)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for bladder cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.58	32	138516
1.55	34	136406
3.46	76	108281
4.67	90	66797

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.155e-05.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00022871; the most likely: 0.00023102; max: 0.00023333. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

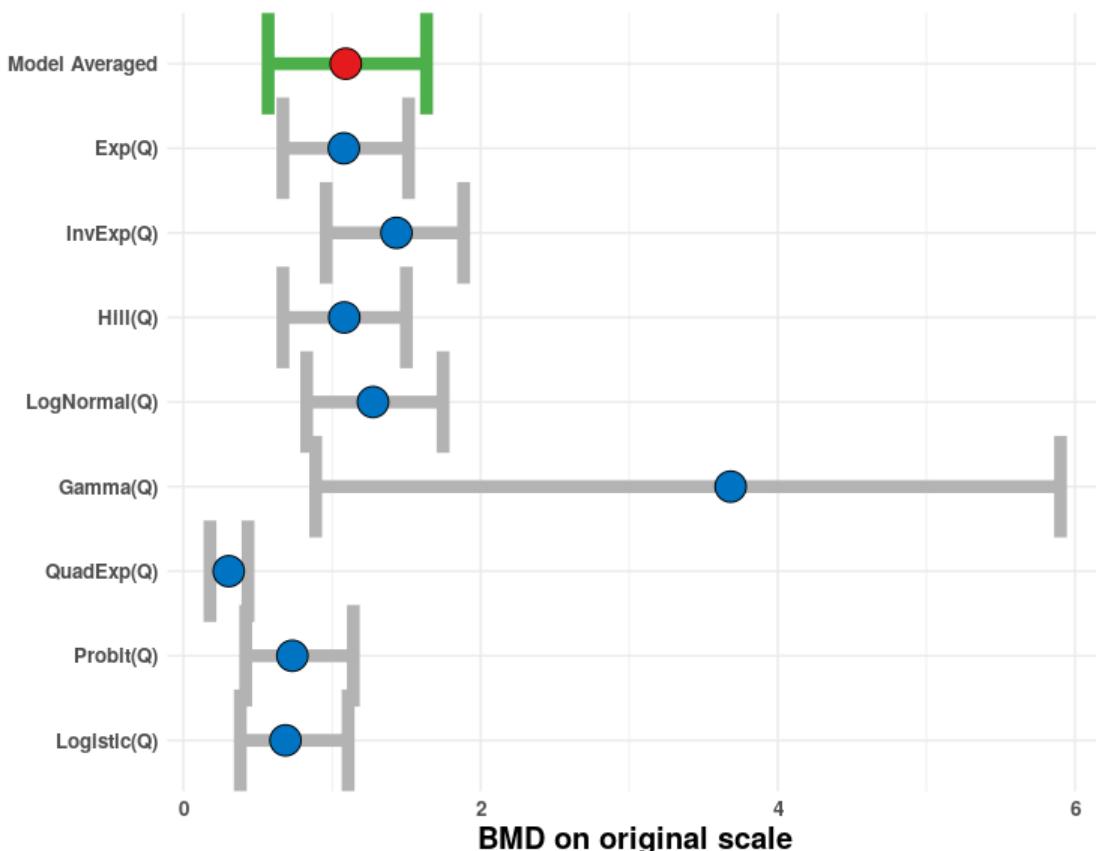
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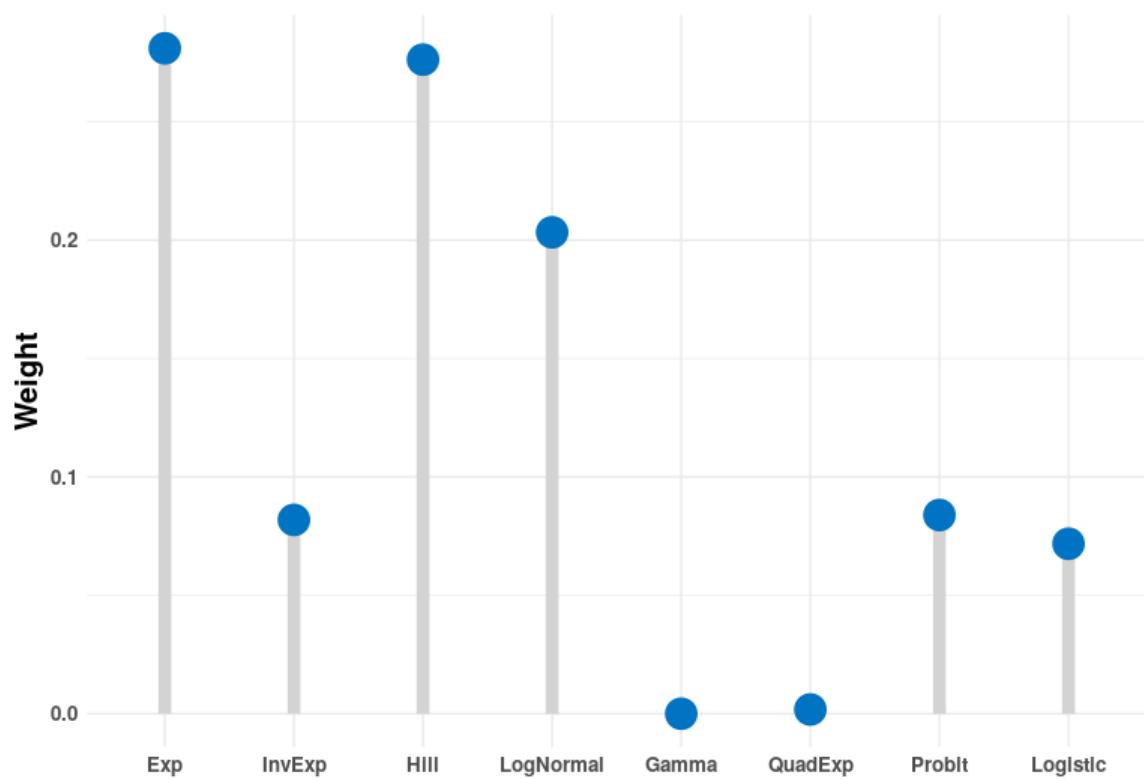
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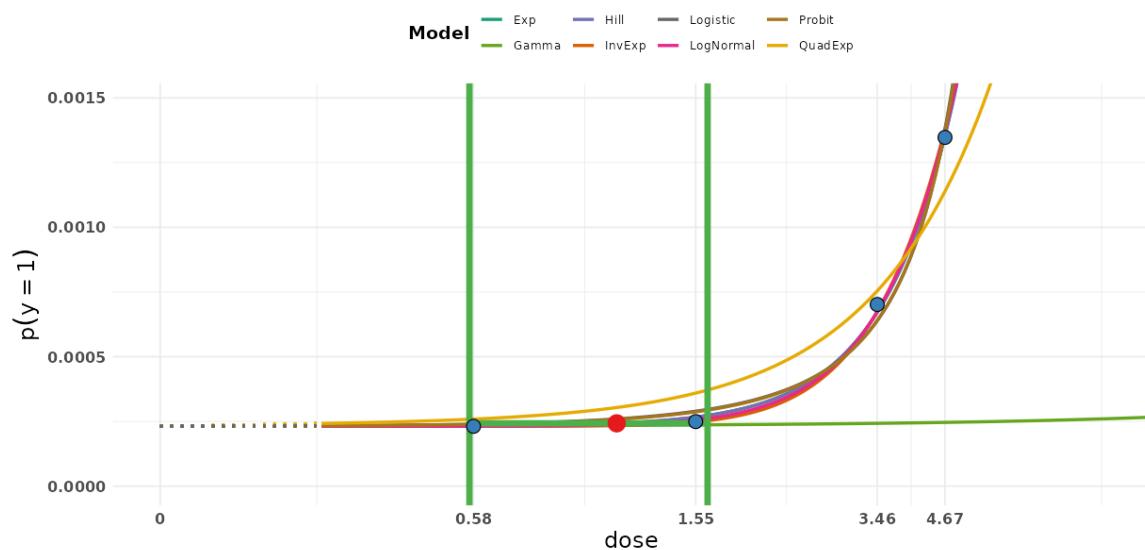
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Model Averaged	BS	0.57	1.092	1.636

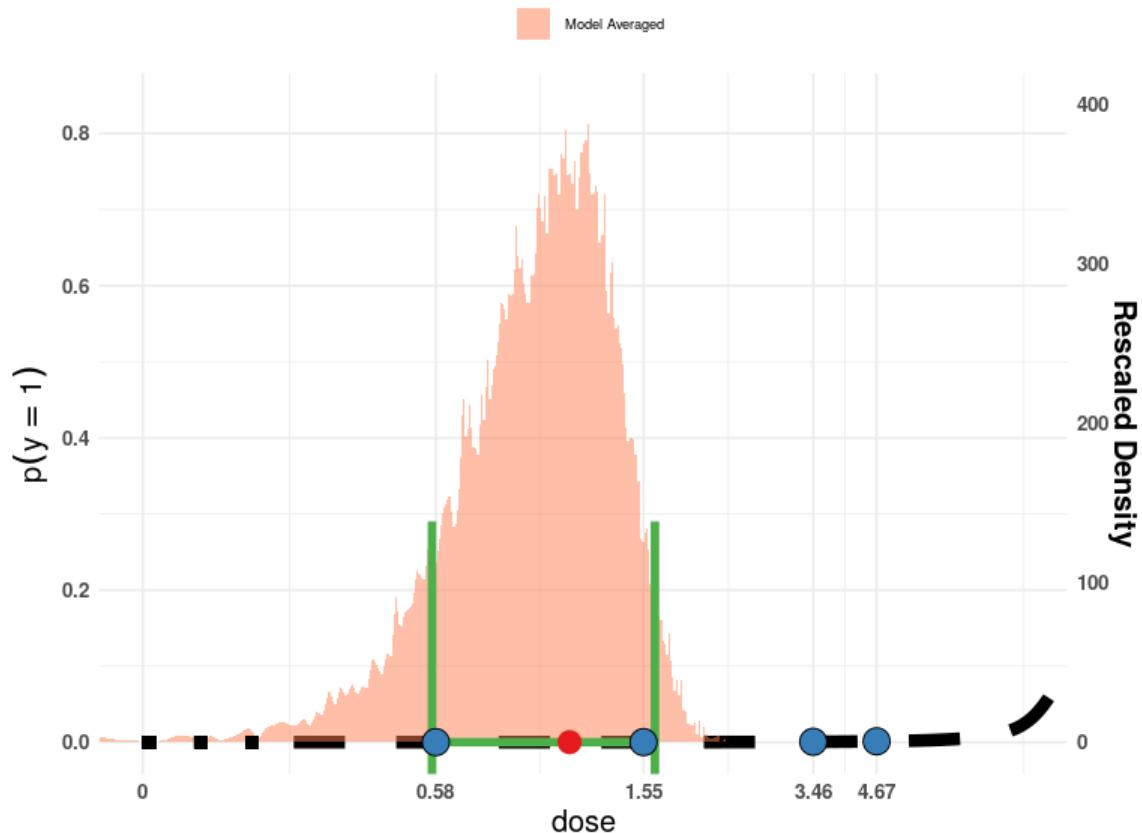
Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.669	1.079	1.515	0.281	1
IE4_Q	0.960	1.433	1.886	0.082	1
H4_Q	0.669	1.082	1.500	0.276	1
LN4_Q	0.829	1.276	1.747	0.203	1
G4_Q	0.889	3.682	5.903	0.000	0
QE4_Q	0.178	0.304	0.434	0.002	1
P4_Q	0.419	0.733	1.143	0.084	1
L4_Q	0.382	0.686	1.108	0.072	1

Plots of Fitted Models







Steinmaus et al. (2013) bladder cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average, all years, based on arsenic daily intakes

Sensitivity analysis: the highest exposure point estimate doubled

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for bladder cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.58	32	138516
1.55	34	136406
3.46	76	108281
9.06	90	66797

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.155e-05.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00022871; the most likely: 0.00023102; max: 0.00023333. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

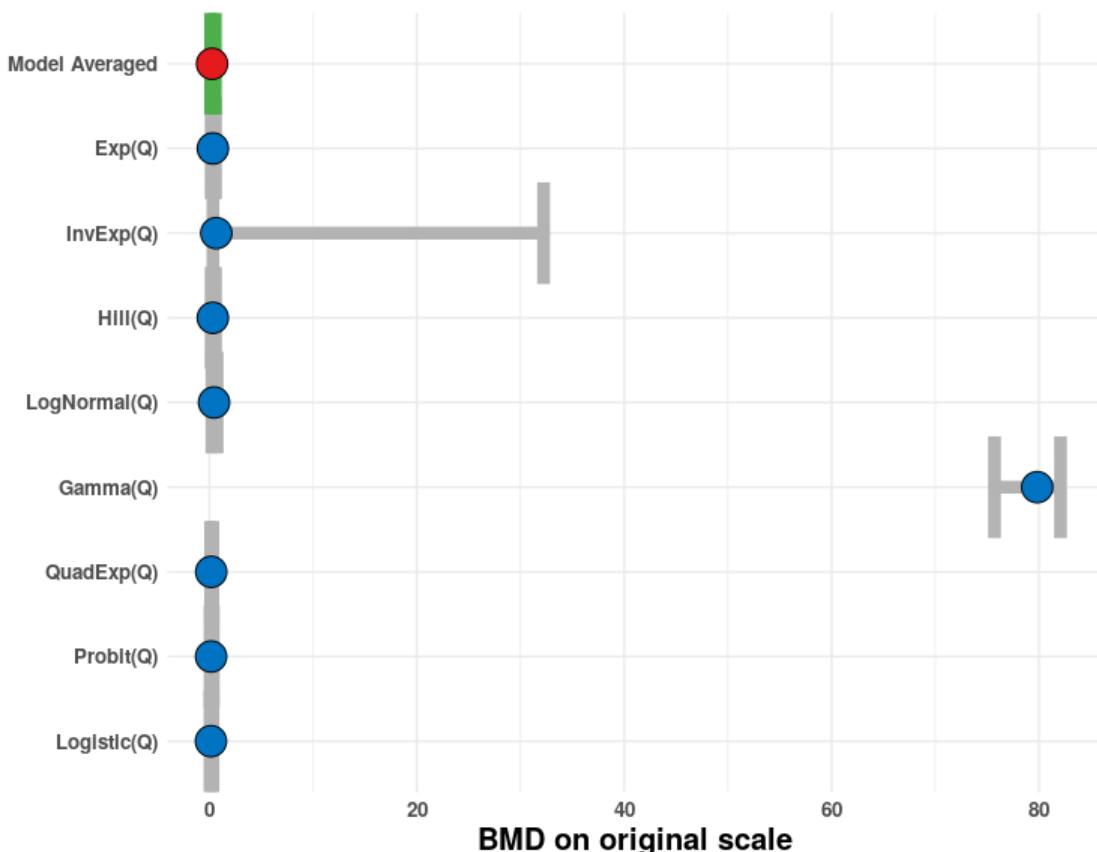
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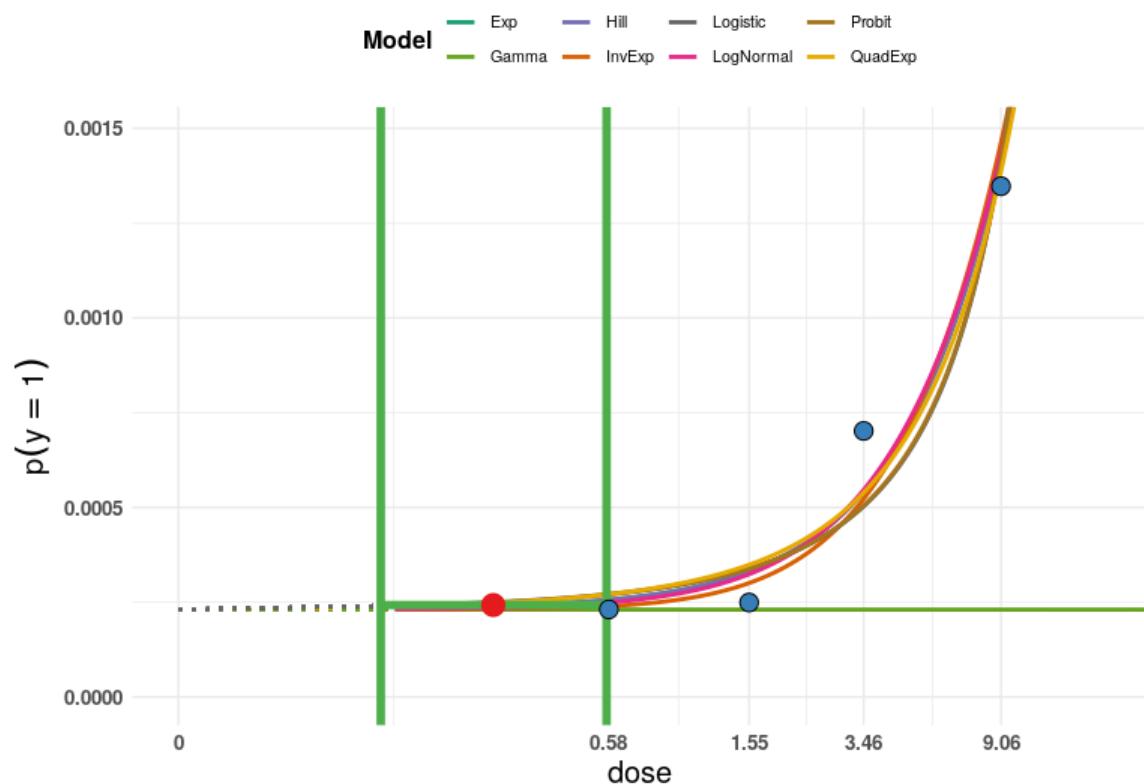
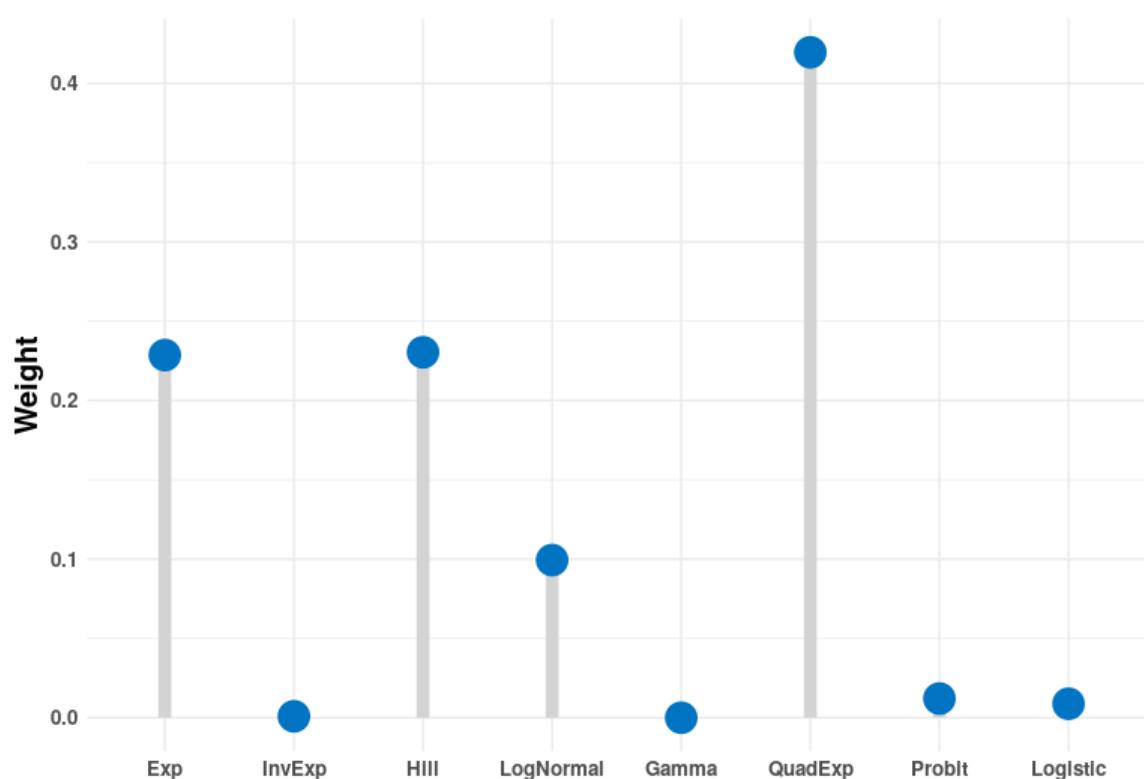
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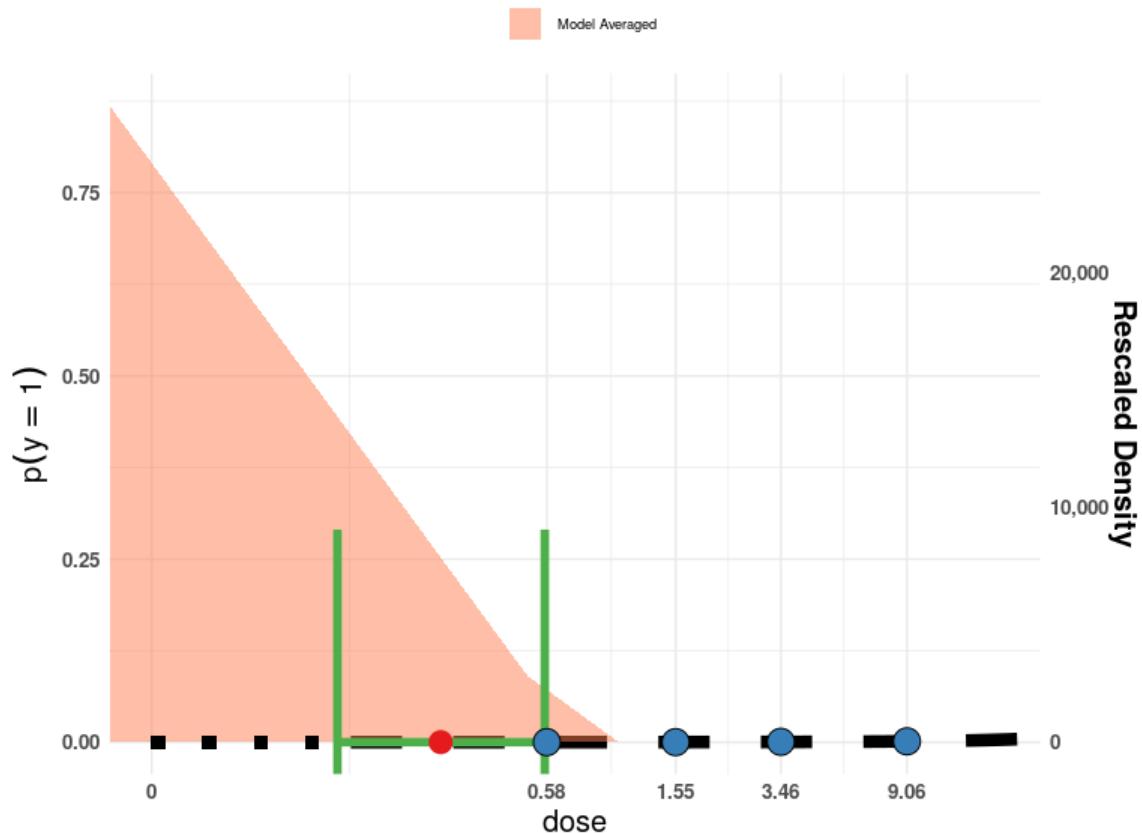
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Model Averaged	BS	0.117	0.258	0.571

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.168	0.334	0.589	0.229	1
IE4_Q	0.341	0.665	32.231	0.001	0
H4_Q	0.167	0.330	0.587	0.230	1
LN4_Q	0.241	0.447	0.741	0.099	1
G4_Q	75.714	79.830	82.079	0.000	0
QE4_Q	0.109	0.173	0.333	0.420	1
P4_Q	0.064	0.162	0.372	0.012	1
L4_Q	0.057	0.149	0.342	0.009	1

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Steinmaus et al. (2013) bladder cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average before 1971, based on arsenic water concentrations and water intake of 1.9L (included only in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for bladder cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.44	27	140802
1.66	36	135849
6.07	73	97642
9.38	95	75708

The 'Value for CES' is set to 9.59e-06.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00018217; the most likely: 0.00019176; max: 0.00020135. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

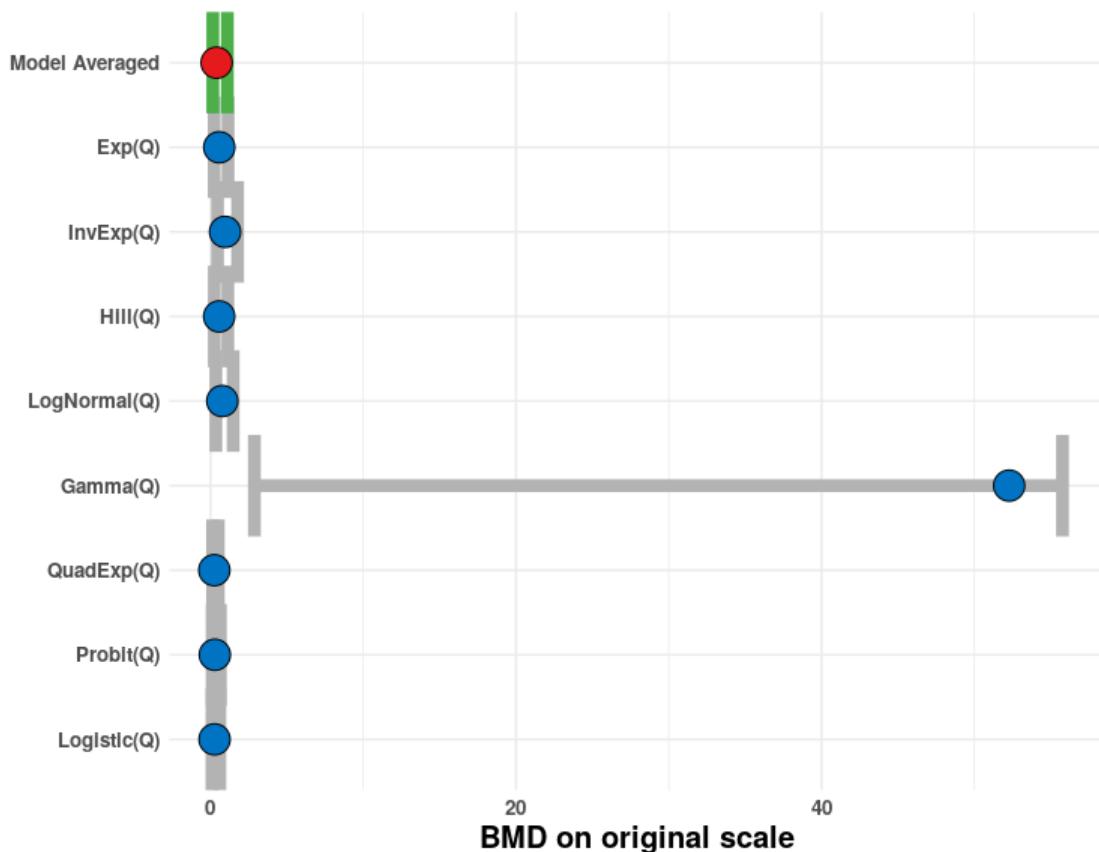
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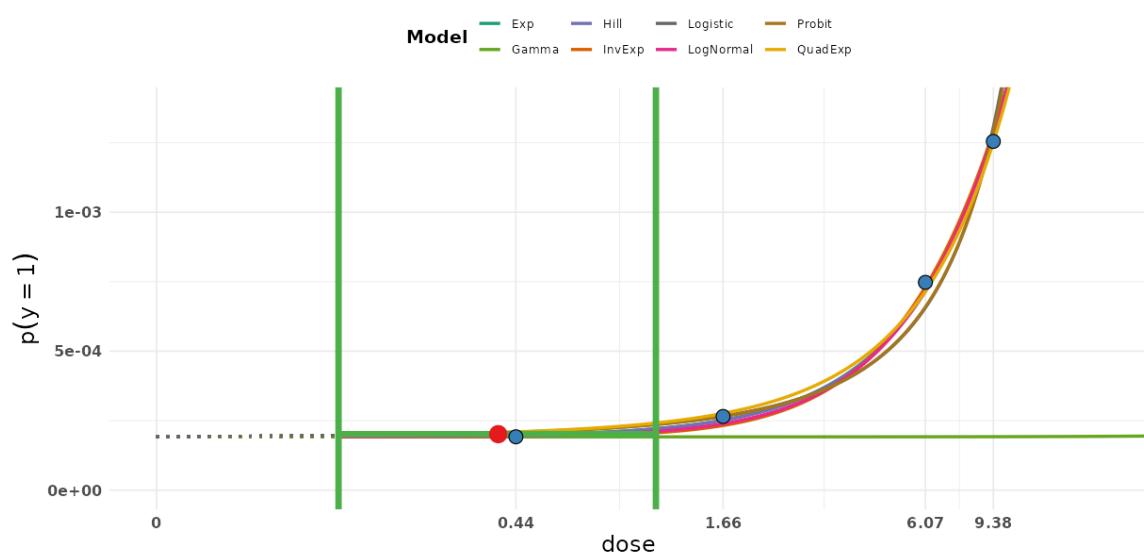
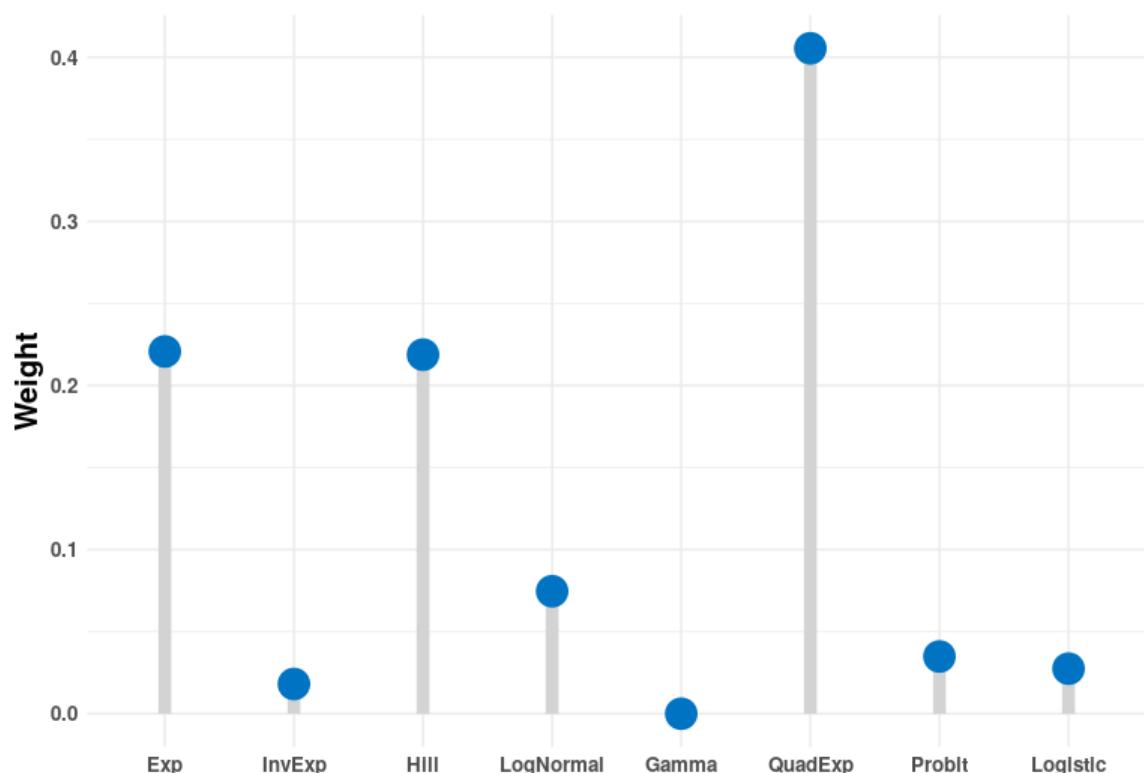
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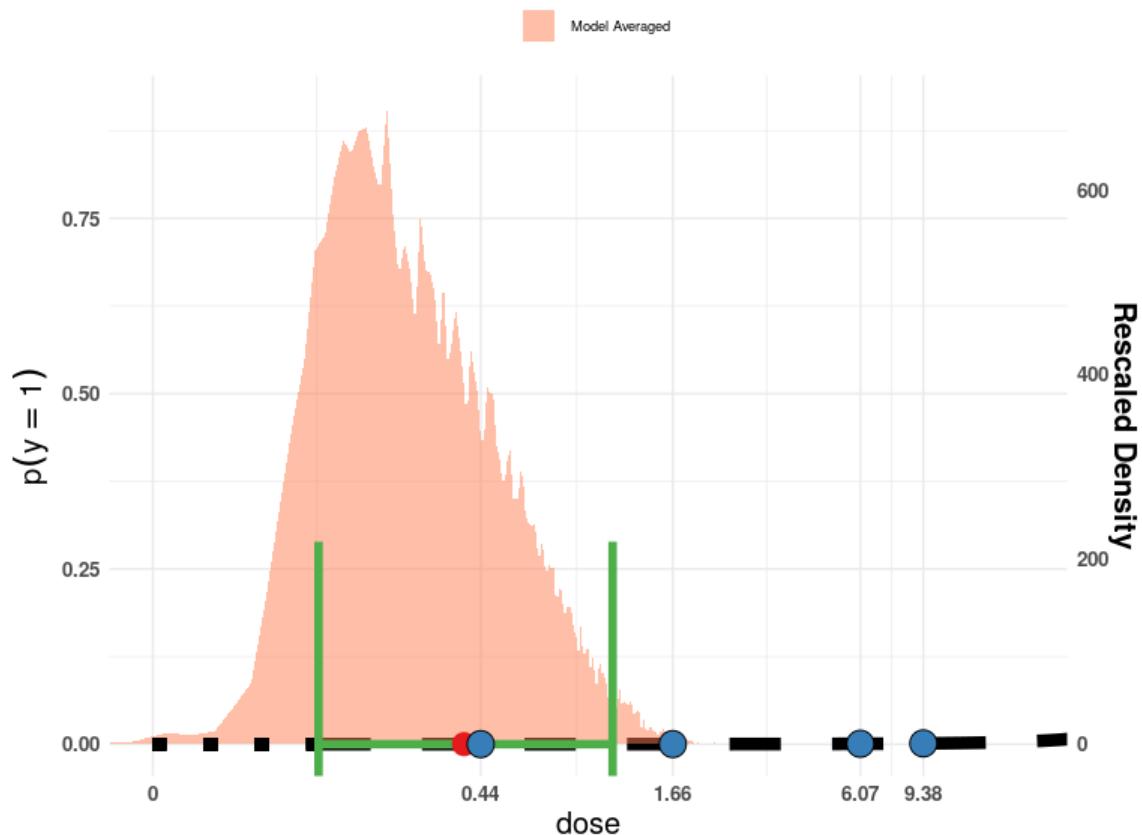
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Model Averaged	BS	0.143	0.392	1.095

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.236	0.565	1.142	0.221	1
IE4_Q	0.453	0.947	1.767	0.018	1
H4_Q	0.242	0.560	1.129	0.219	1
LN4_Q	0.347	0.763	1.478	0.075	1
G4_Q	2.865	52.283	55.775	0.000	0
QE4_Q	0.127	0.243	0.504	0.405	1
P4_Q	0.104	0.278	0.638	0.035	1
L4_Q	0.091	0.260	0.605	0.027	1

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Steinmaus et al. (2013) bladder cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average before 1971, based on arsenic daily intakes (included only in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for bladder cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.44	30	140802
1.57	36	136557
5.18	74	108962
7.79	92	63679

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.066e-05.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00021093; the most likely: 0.00021307; max: 0.00021520. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

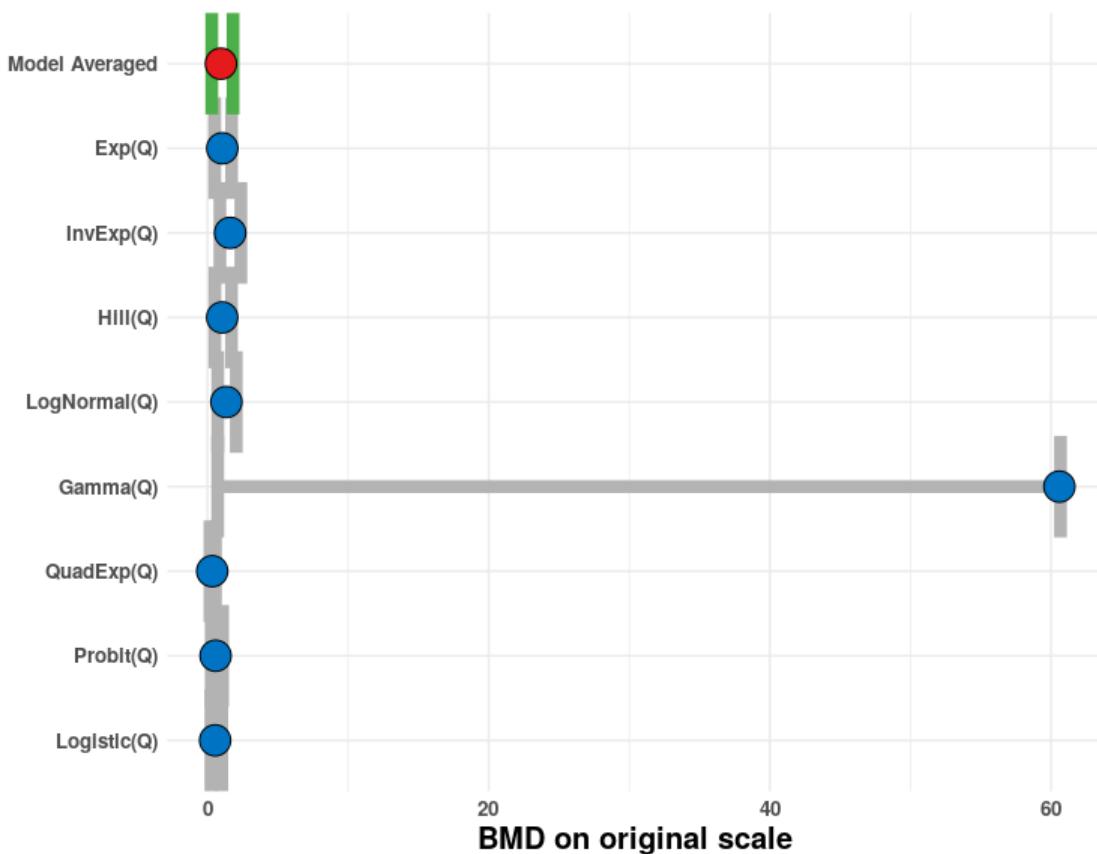
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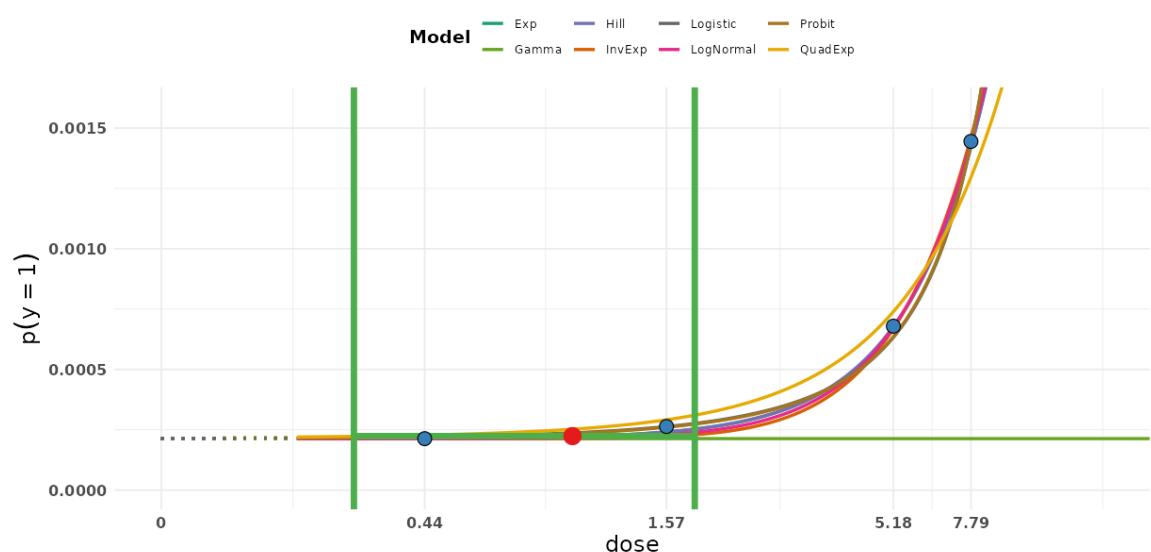
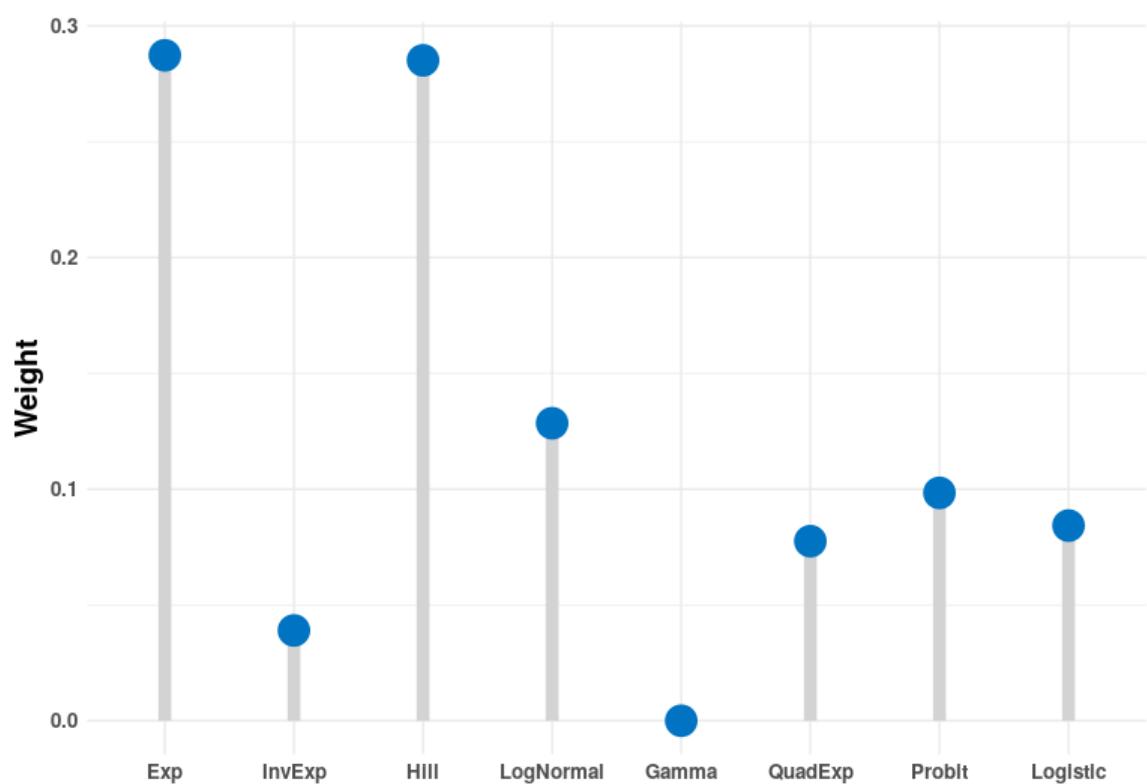
Model Averaged BMD

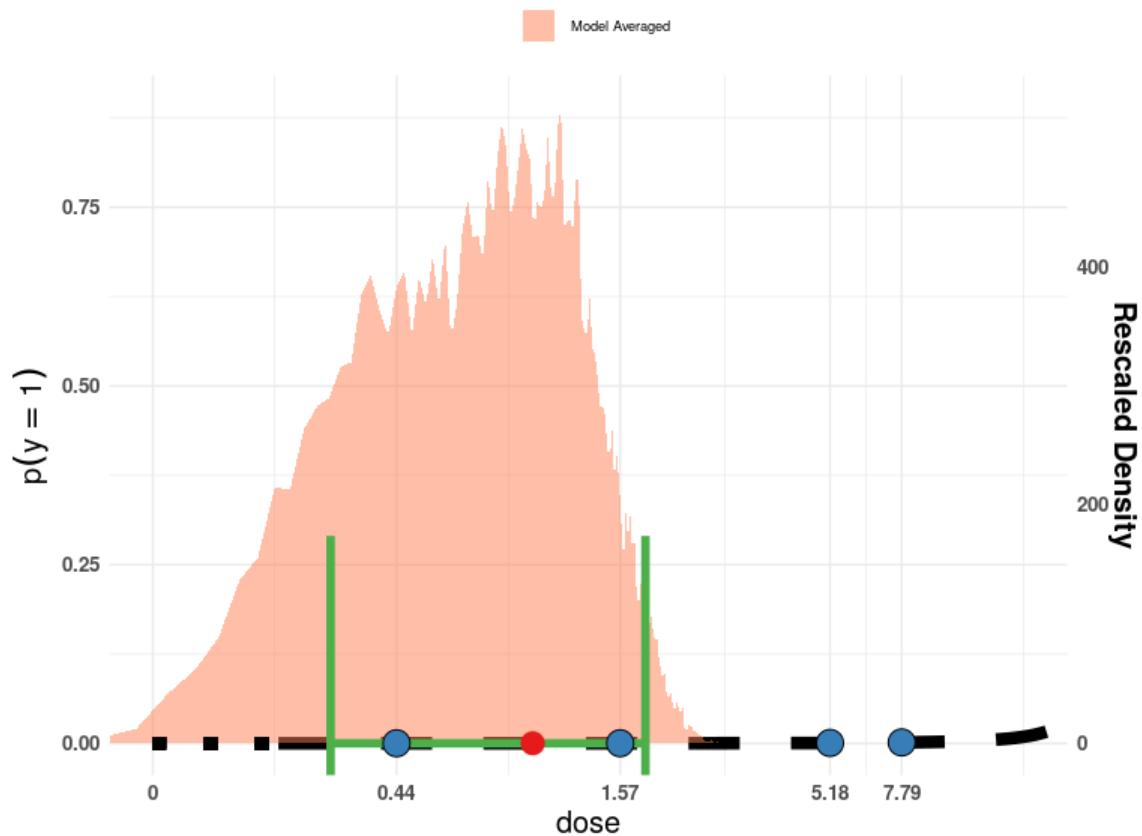
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.302	0.955	1.812

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.515	1.050	1.707	0.287	1
IE4_Q	0.881	1.610	2.371	0.039	1
H4_Q	0.525	1.043	1.701	0.285	1
LN4_Q	0.727	1.338	2.046	0.128	1
G4_Q	0.722	60.595	60.675	0.000	0
QE4_Q	0.175	0.333	0.563	0.078	1
P4_Q	0.262	0.574	1.071	0.098	1
L4_Q	0.242	0.540	1.014	0.084	1

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Steinmaus et al. (2013) lung cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average, all years, based on arsenic water concentrations and water intake of 1.9L (included only in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for lung cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.64	64	142031
1.71	58	132891
4.05	76	99844
5.63	107	75234

The 'Value for CES' is set to 2.254e-05.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00044610; the most likely: 0.00045061; max: 0.00045511. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

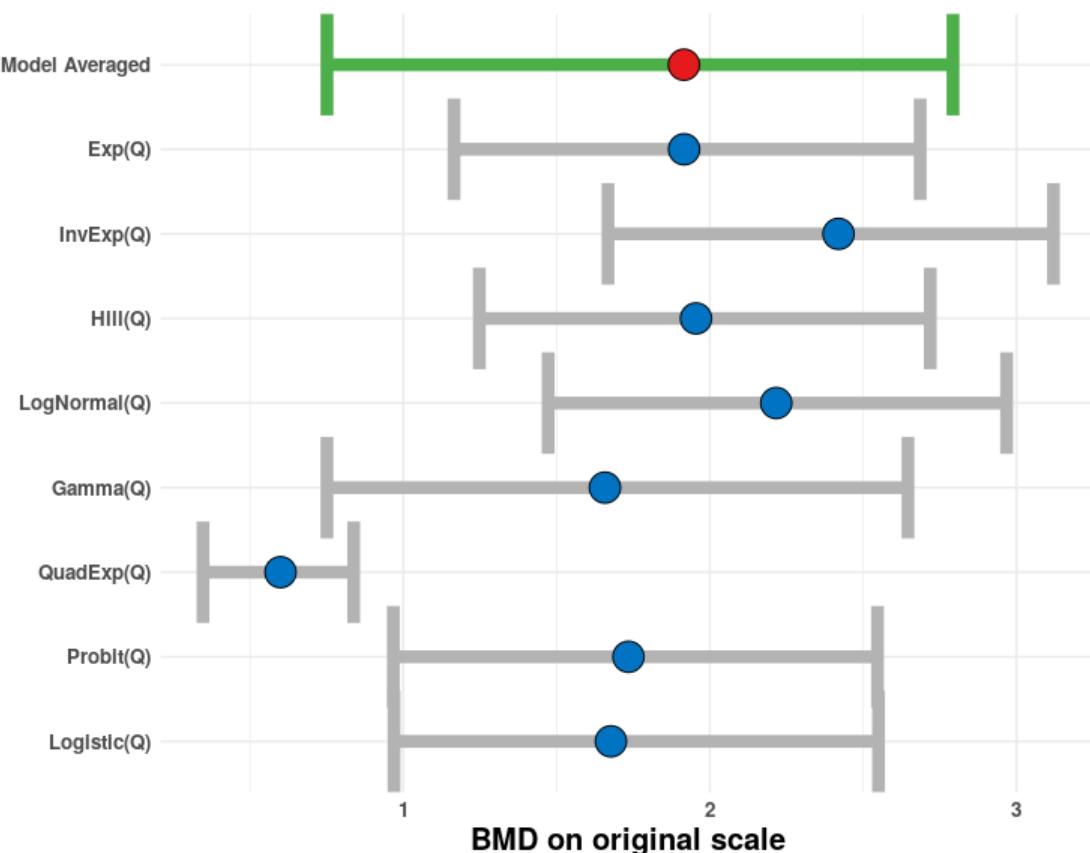
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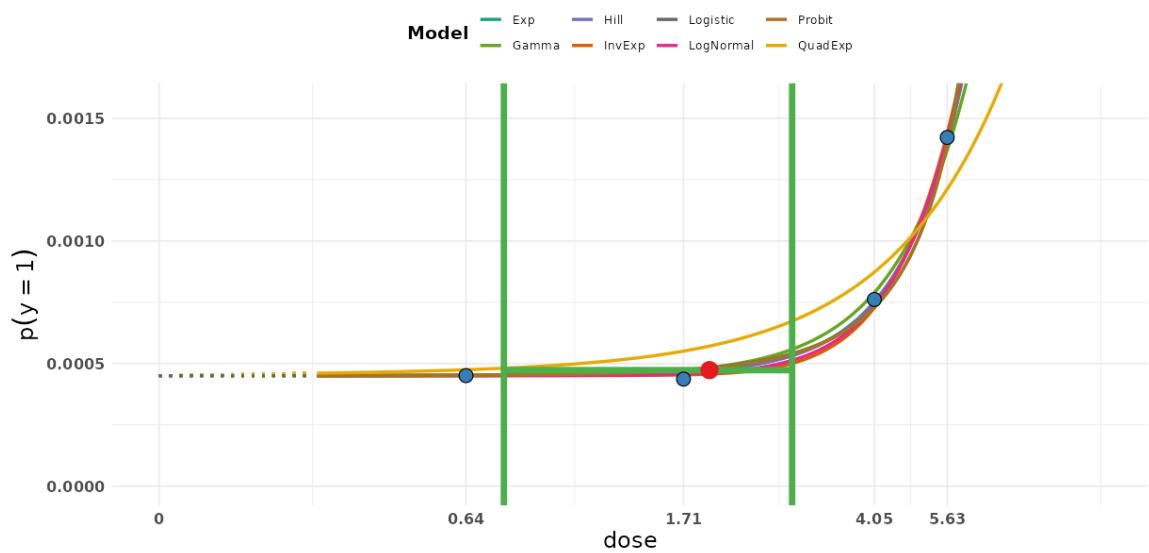
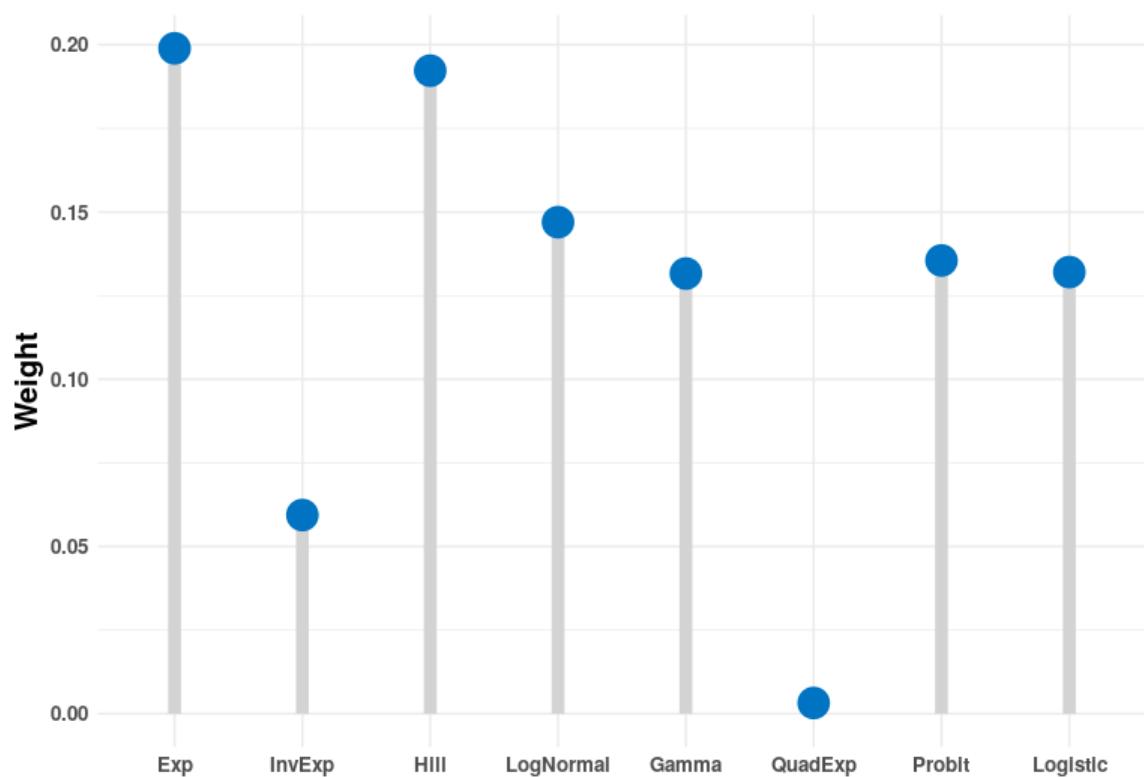
Model Averaged BMD

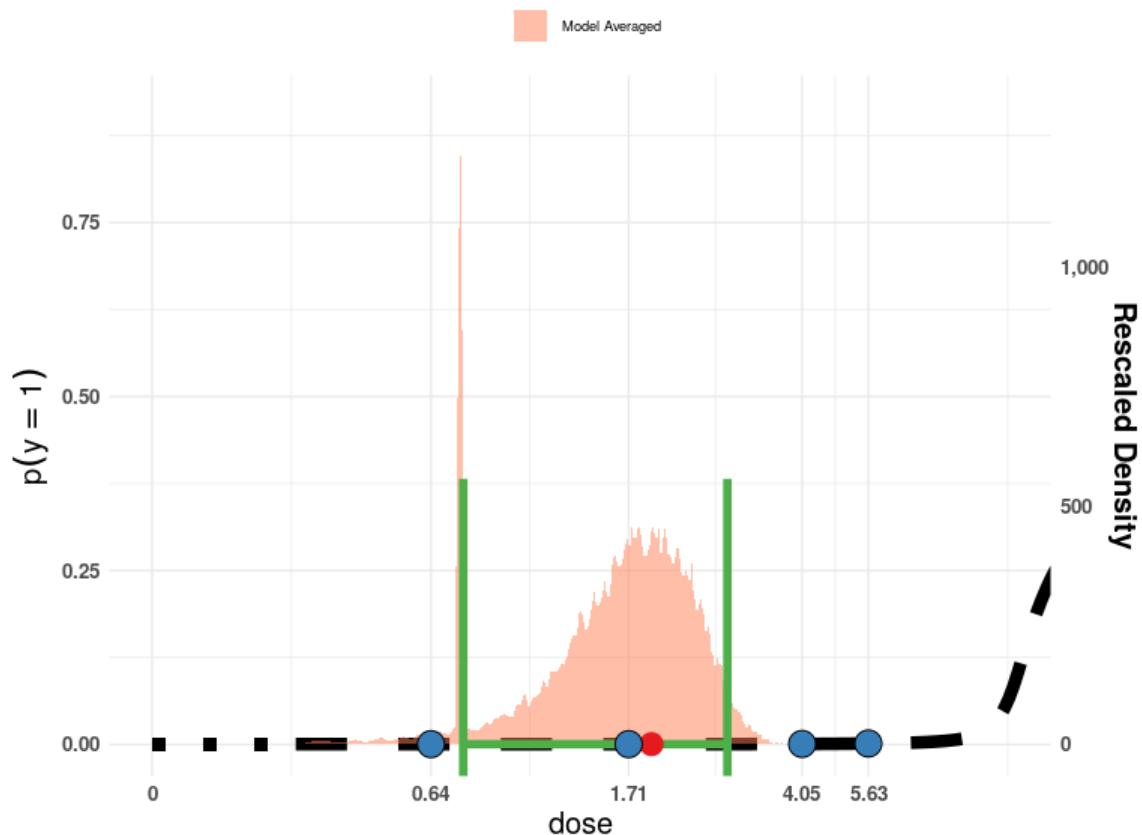
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.751	1.915	2.793

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	1.165	1.916	2.686	0.199	1
IE4_Q	1.668	2.420	3.121	0.059	1
H4_Q	1.248	1.955	2.719	0.192	1
LN4_Q	1.473	2.217	2.968	0.147	1
G4_Q	0.751	1.658	2.646	0.132	0
QE4_Q	0.347	0.600	0.838	0.003	1
P4_Q	0.968	1.735	2.547	0.136	1
L4_Q	0.970	1.677	2.550	0.132	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Steinmaus et al. (2013) lung cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average, all years, based on arsenic daily intakes (the preferred exposure estimate for the study)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for lung cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.58	70	138516
1.55	60	136406
3.46	68	108281
4.67	107	66797

The 'Value for CES' is set to 2.528e-05.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00048009; the most likely: 0.00050536; max: 0.00053062. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

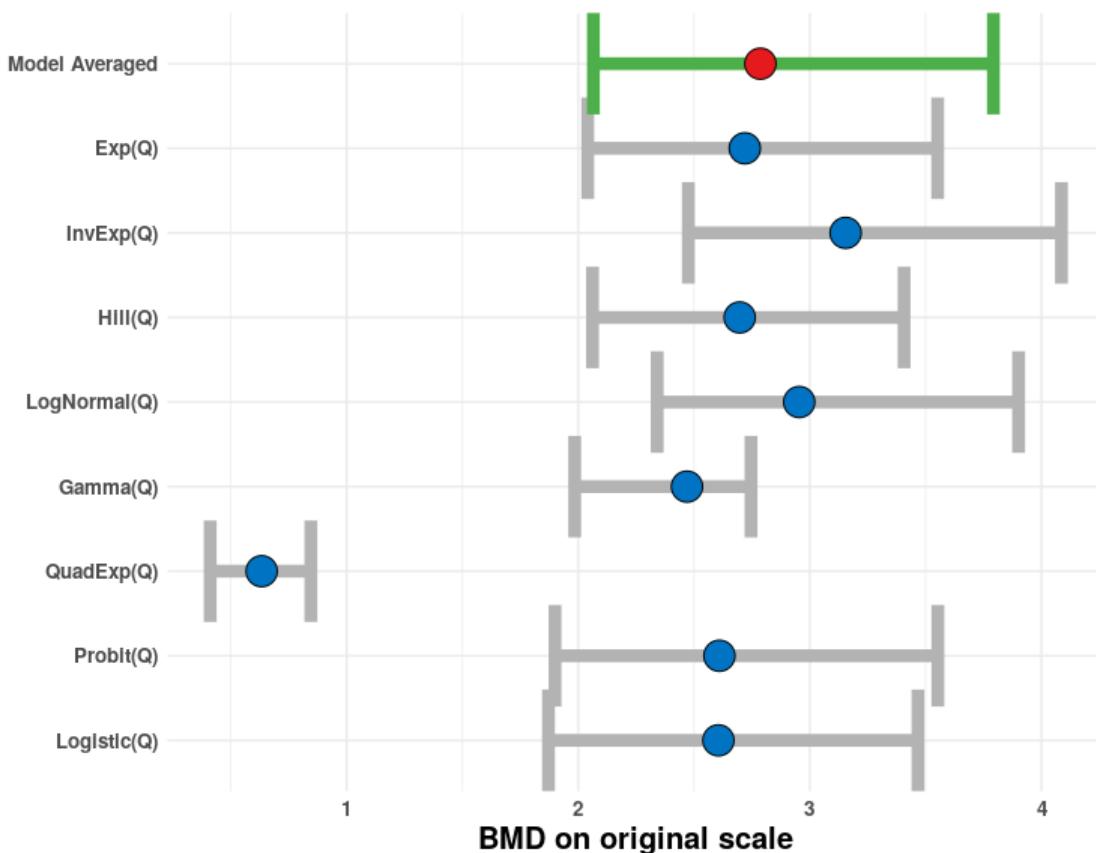
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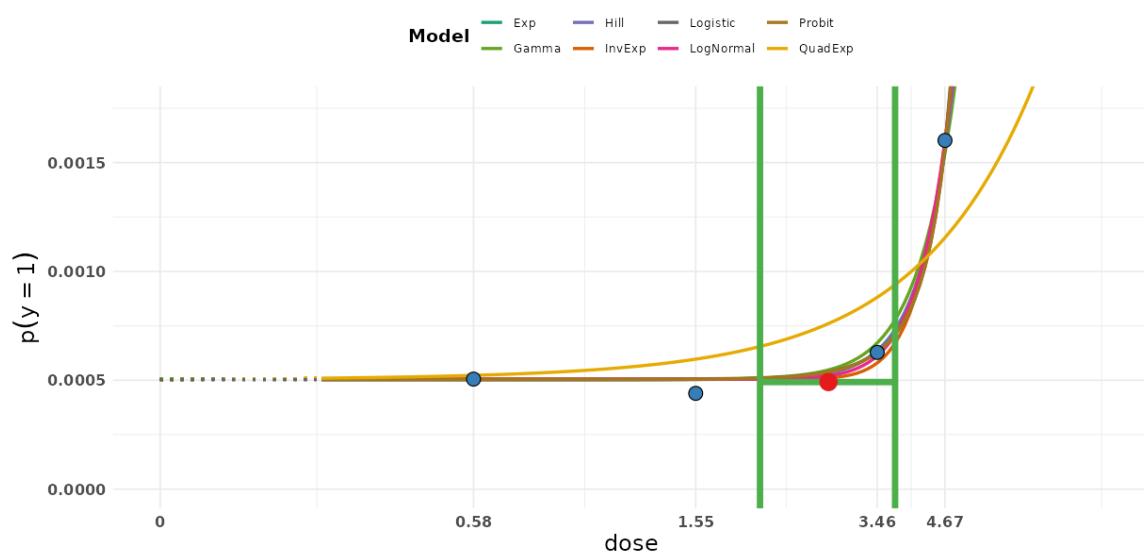
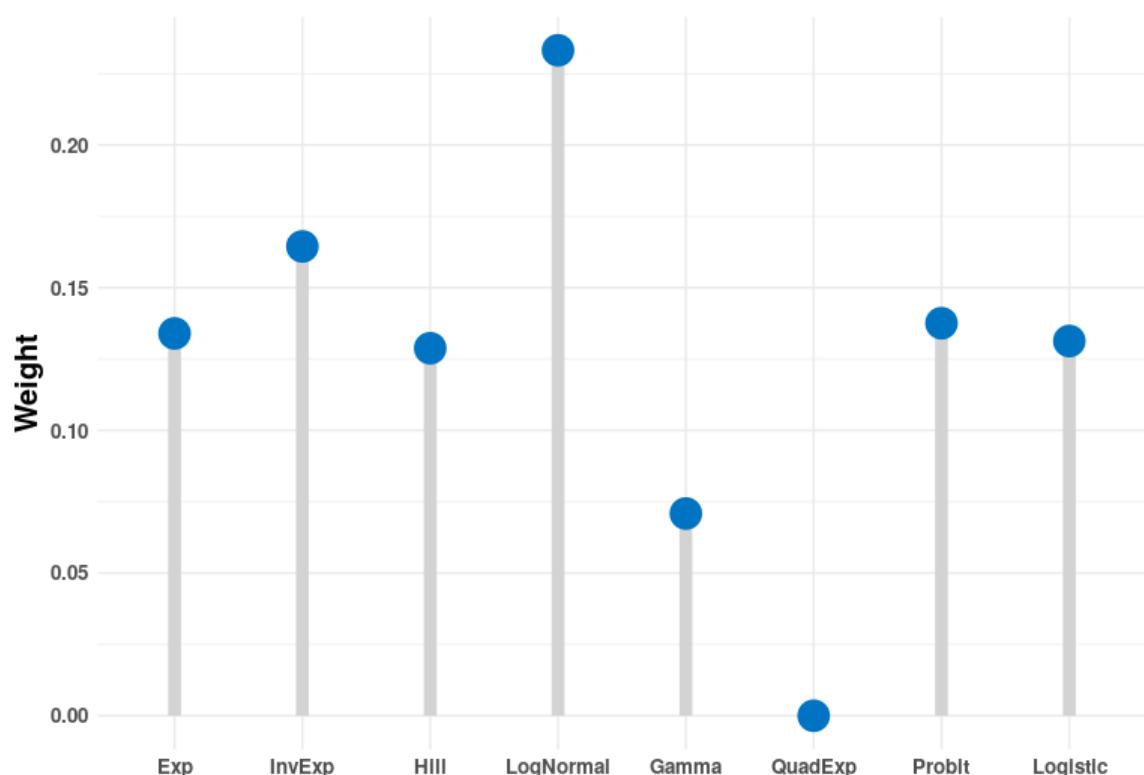
Model Averaged BMD

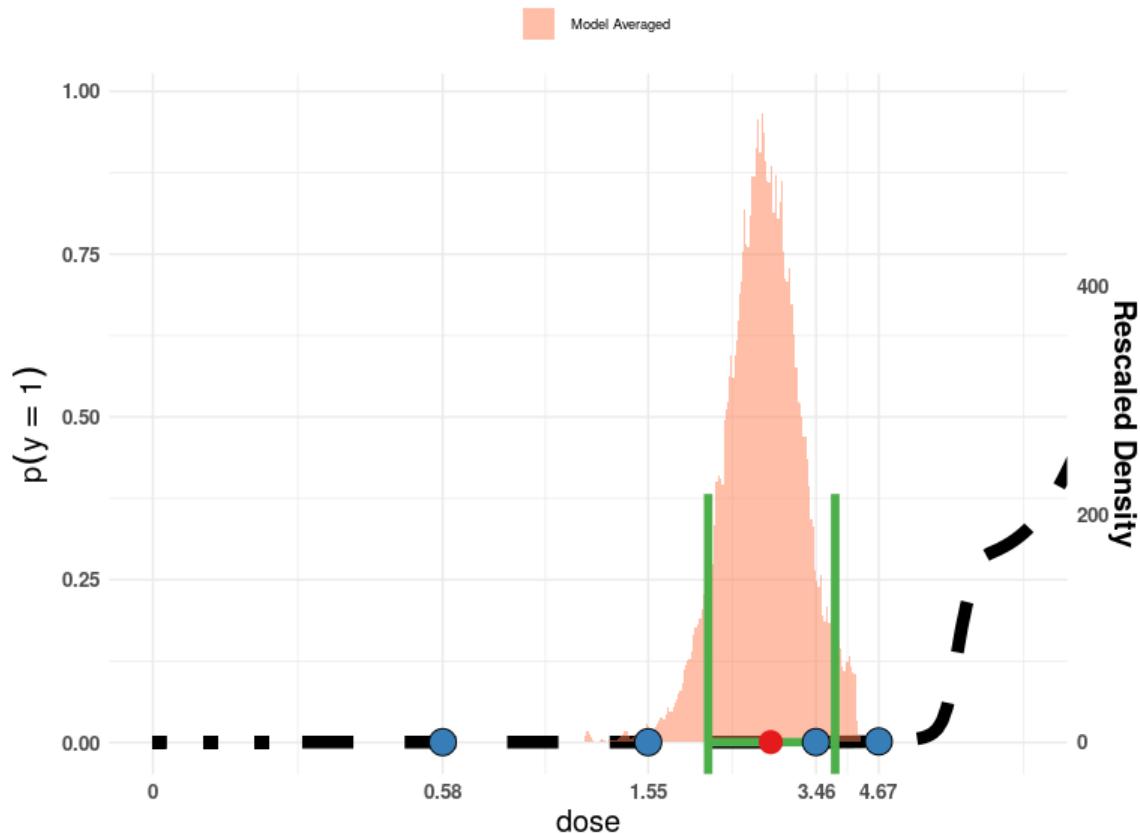
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	2.065	2.787	3.793

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	2.041	2.719	3.552	0.134	1
IE4_Q	2.475	3.155	4.087	0.164	1
H4_Q	2.062	2.697	3.407	0.129	1
LN4_Q	2.341	2.954	3.902	0.233	1
G4_Q	1.985	2.470	2.746	0.071	1
QE4_Q	0.411	0.633	0.845	0.000	1
P4_Q	1.900	2.610	3.553	0.138	1
L4_Q	1.871	2.605	3.467	0.131	1

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Steinmaus et al. (2013) lung cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average, all years, based on arsenic daily intakes

Sensitivity analysis: the highest exposure point estimate doubled

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for lung cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.58	70	138516
1.55	60	136406
3.46	68	108281
9.06	107	66797

The 'Value for CES' is set to 2.528e-05.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00045482; the most likely: 0.00050536; max: 0.00055589. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

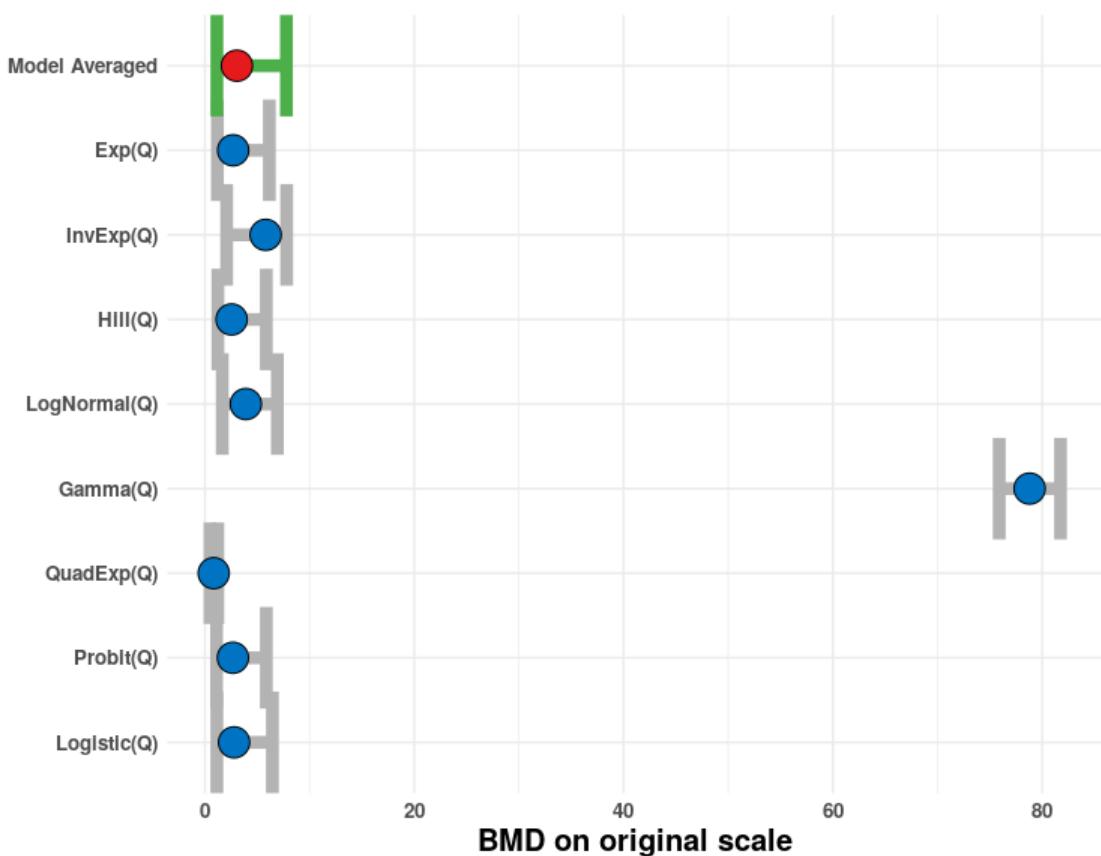
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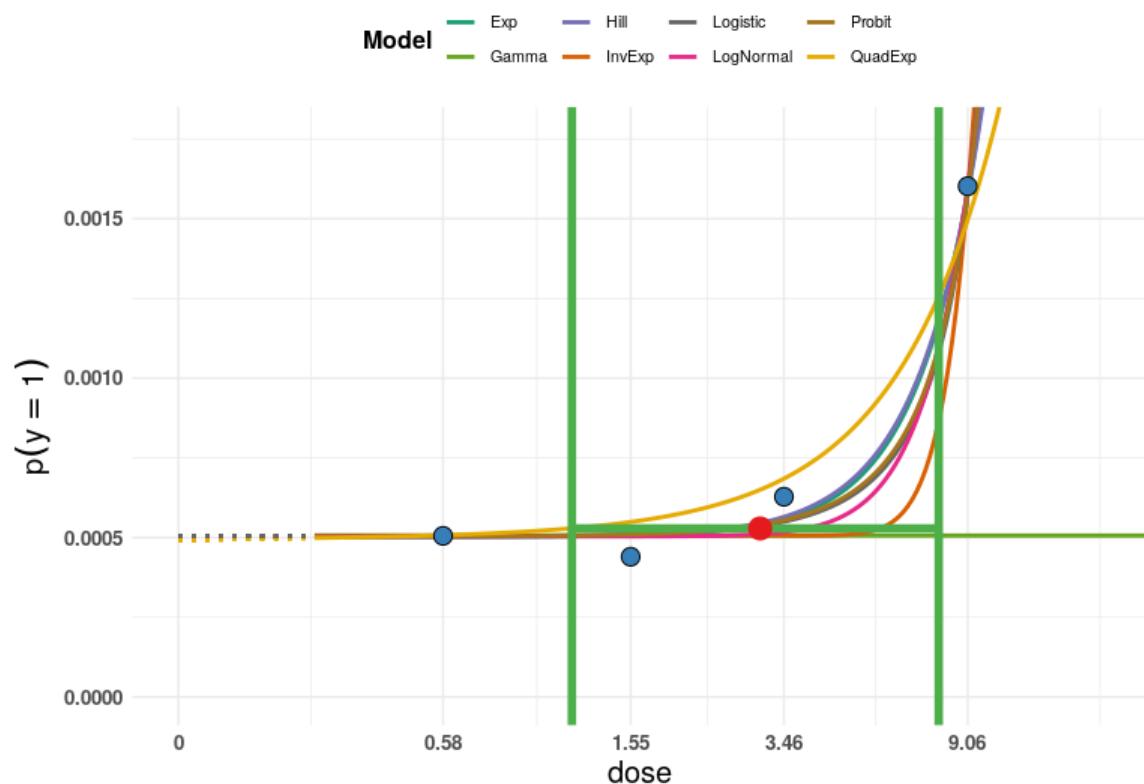
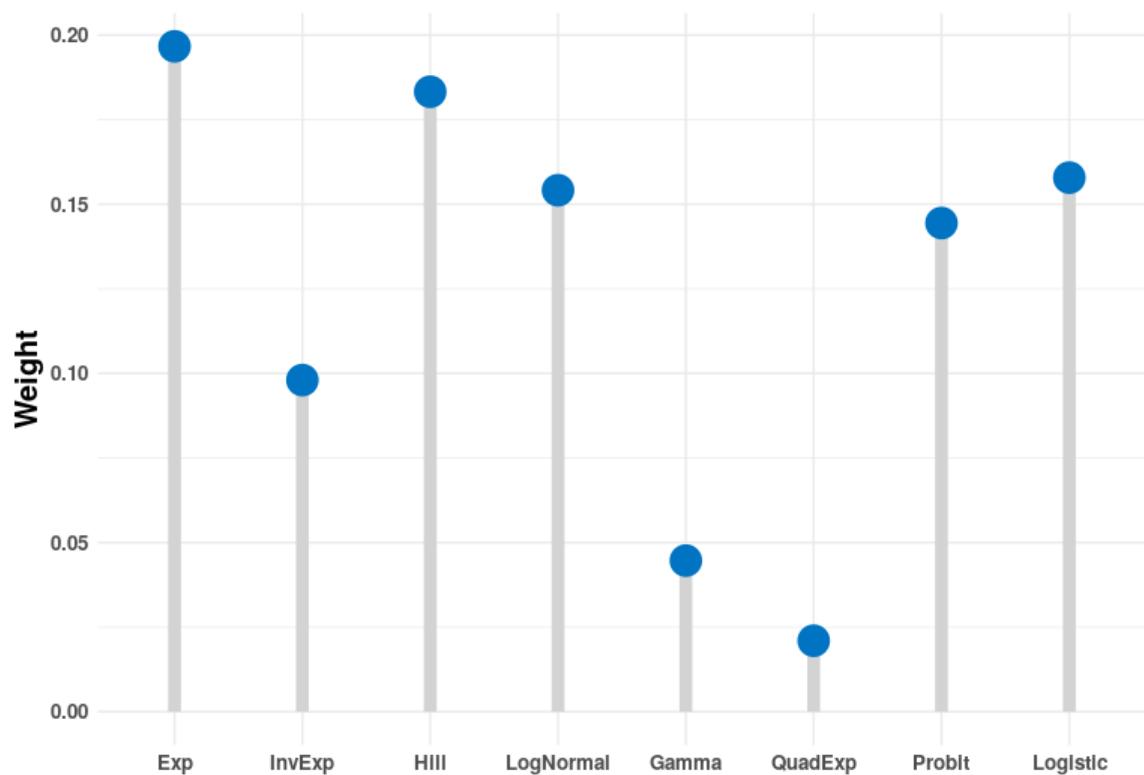
Model Averaged BMD

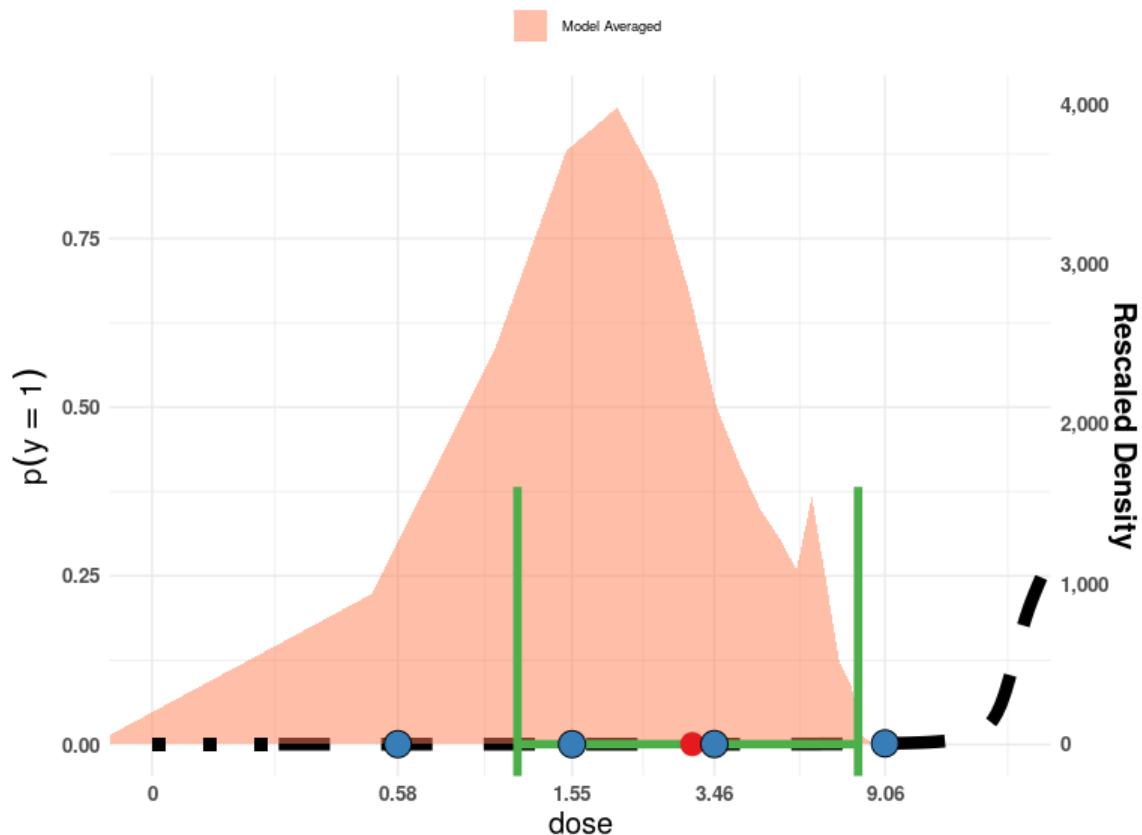
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Model Averaged	BS	1.139	3.055	7.786

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	1.189	2.693	6.151	0.197	1
IE4_Q	2.073	5.798	7.807	0.098	0
H4_Q	1.234	2.546	5.860	0.183	1
LN4_Q	1.655	3.905	6.918	0.154	1
G4_Q	75.889	78.794	81.744	0.045	1
QE4_Q	0.480	0.838	1.227	0.021	1
P4_Q	1.105	2.669	5.864	0.144	1
L4_Q	1.135	2.783	6.445	0.158	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Steinmaus et al. (2013) lung cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average before 1971, based on arsenic water concentrations and water intake of 1.9L (included only in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for lung cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.44	51	140802
1.66	62	135849
6.07	71	97642
9.38	118	75708

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.812e-05.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00034410; the most likely: 0.00036221; max: 0.00038032. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

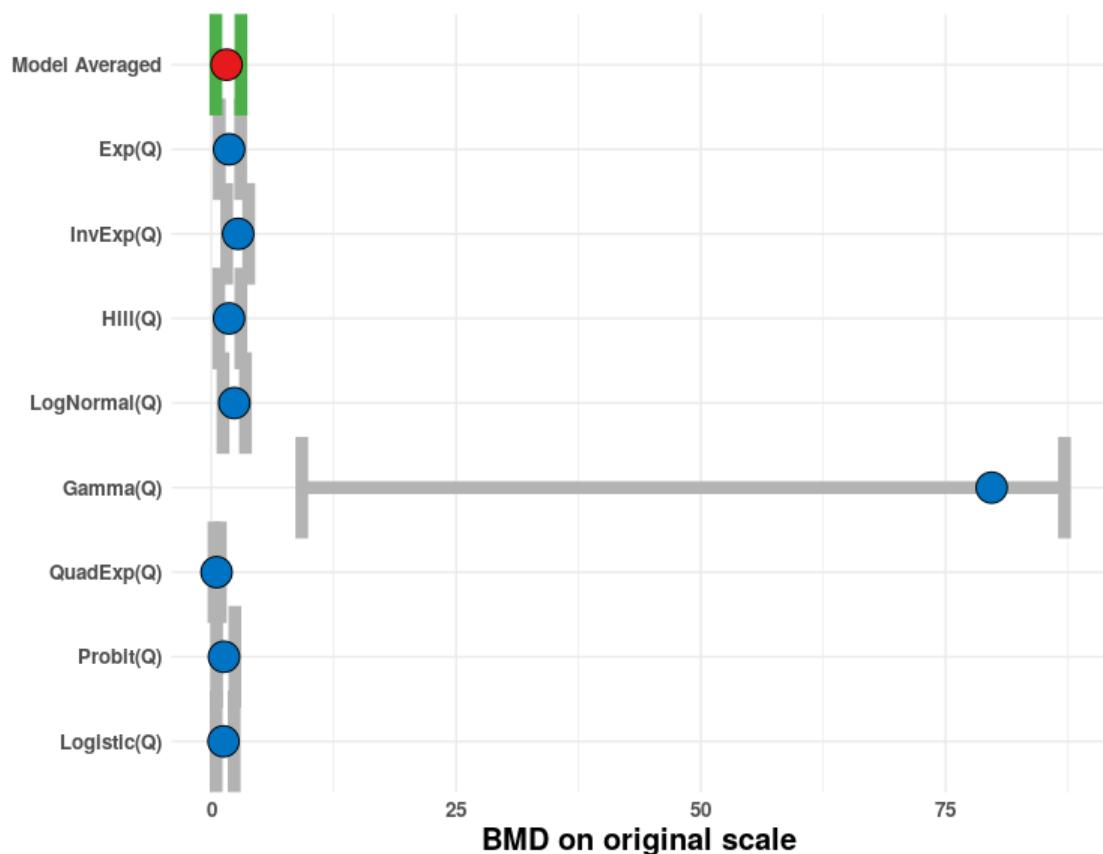
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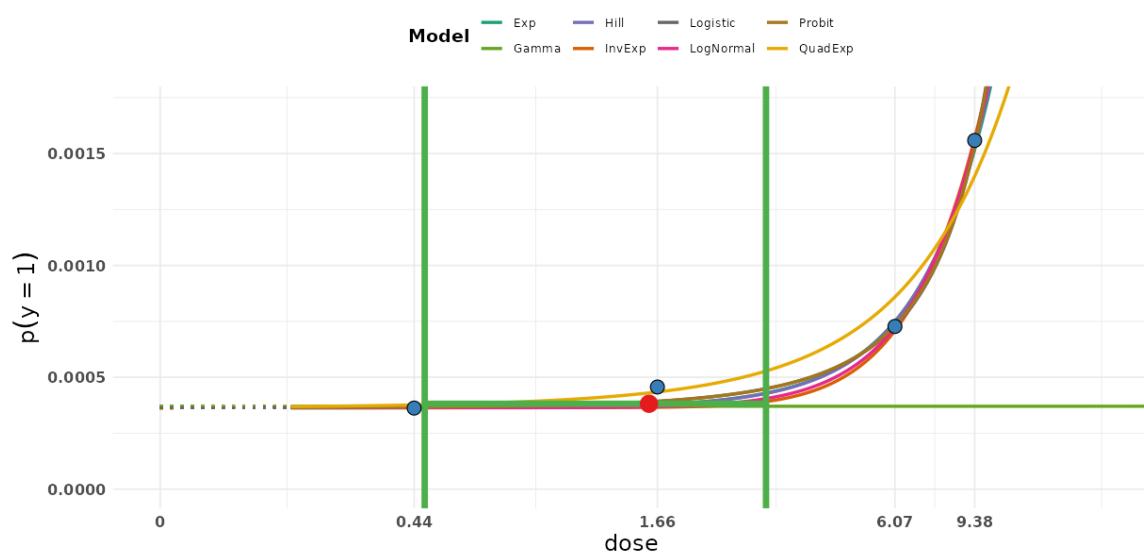
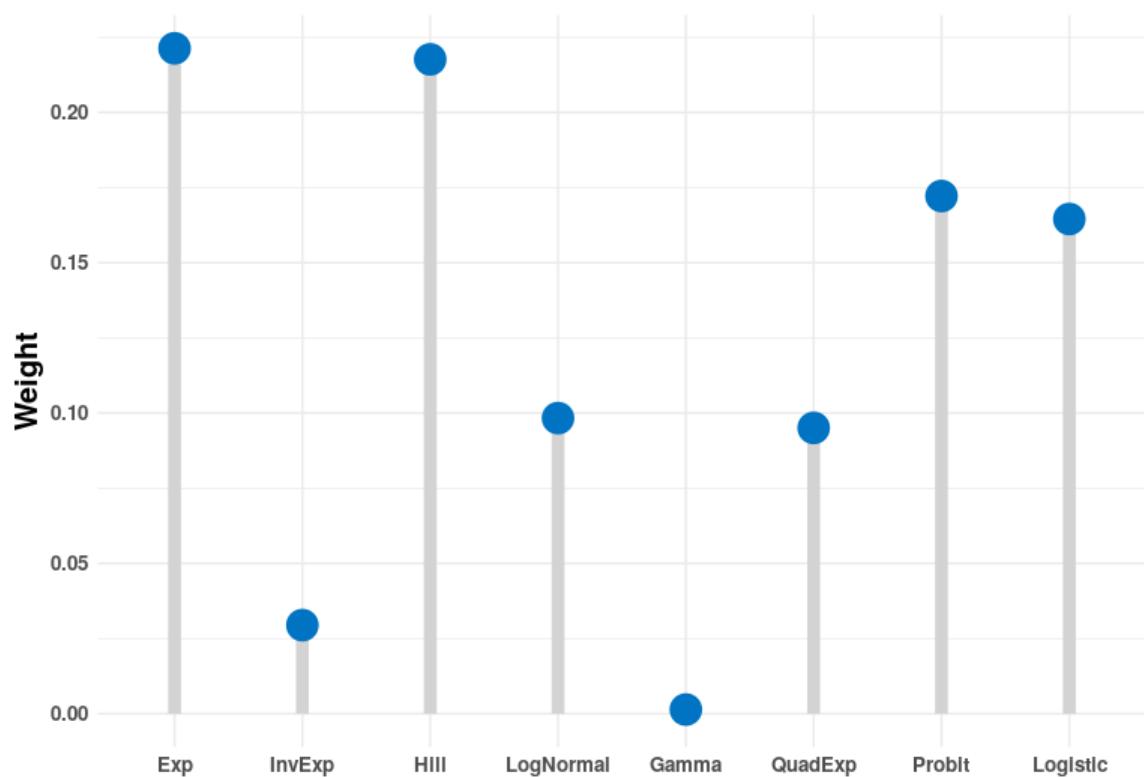
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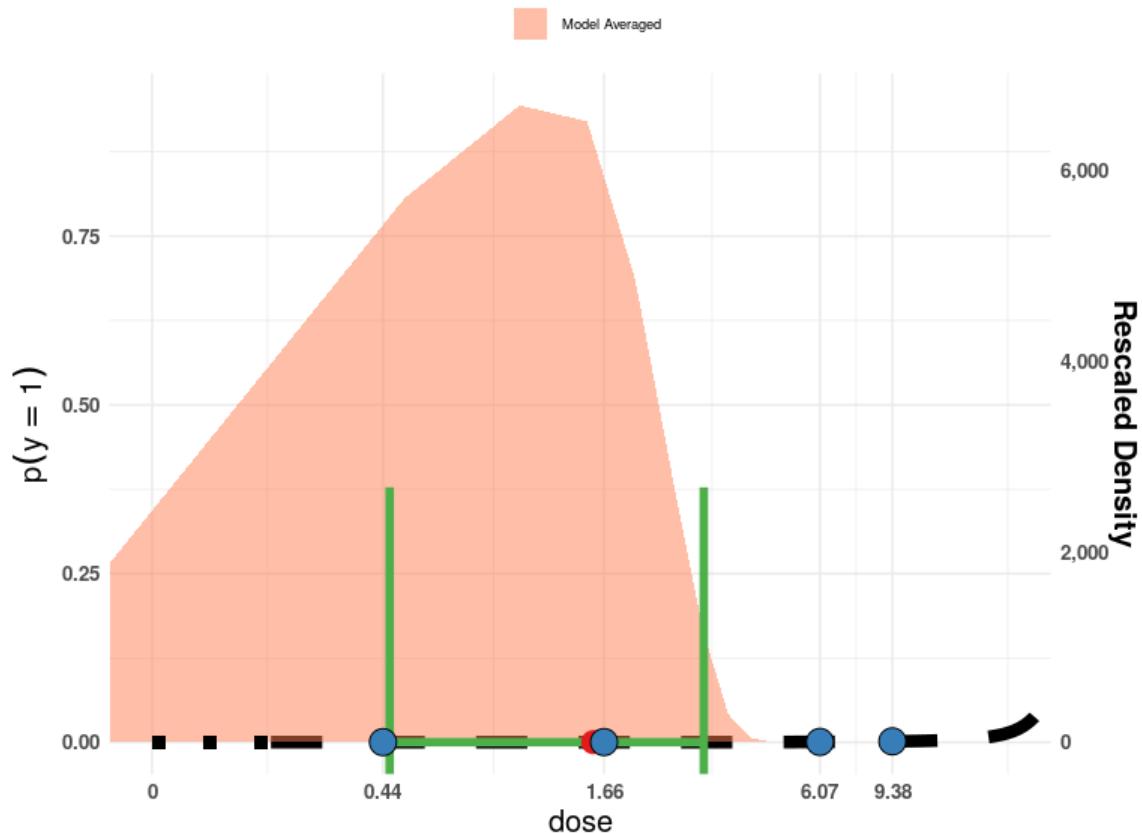
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.458	1.556	3.022

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.816	1.814	2.993	0.221	1
IE4_Q	1.570	2.740	3.819	0.029	1
H4_Q	0.760	1.809	3.014	0.218	1
LN4_Q	1.189	2.343	3.488	0.098	1
G4_Q	9.237	79.696	87.136	0.001	0
QE4_Q	0.269	0.530	0.914	0.095	1
P4_Q	0.534	1.285	2.405	0.172	1
L4_Q	0.487	1.242	2.332	0.165	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Steinmaus et al. (2013) lung cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average before 1971, based on arsenic daily intakes (included only in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for lung cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.44	54	140802
1.57	62	136557
5.18	68	108962
7.79	119	63679

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.00001918.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00037968; the most likely: 0.00038352; max: 0.00038735. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

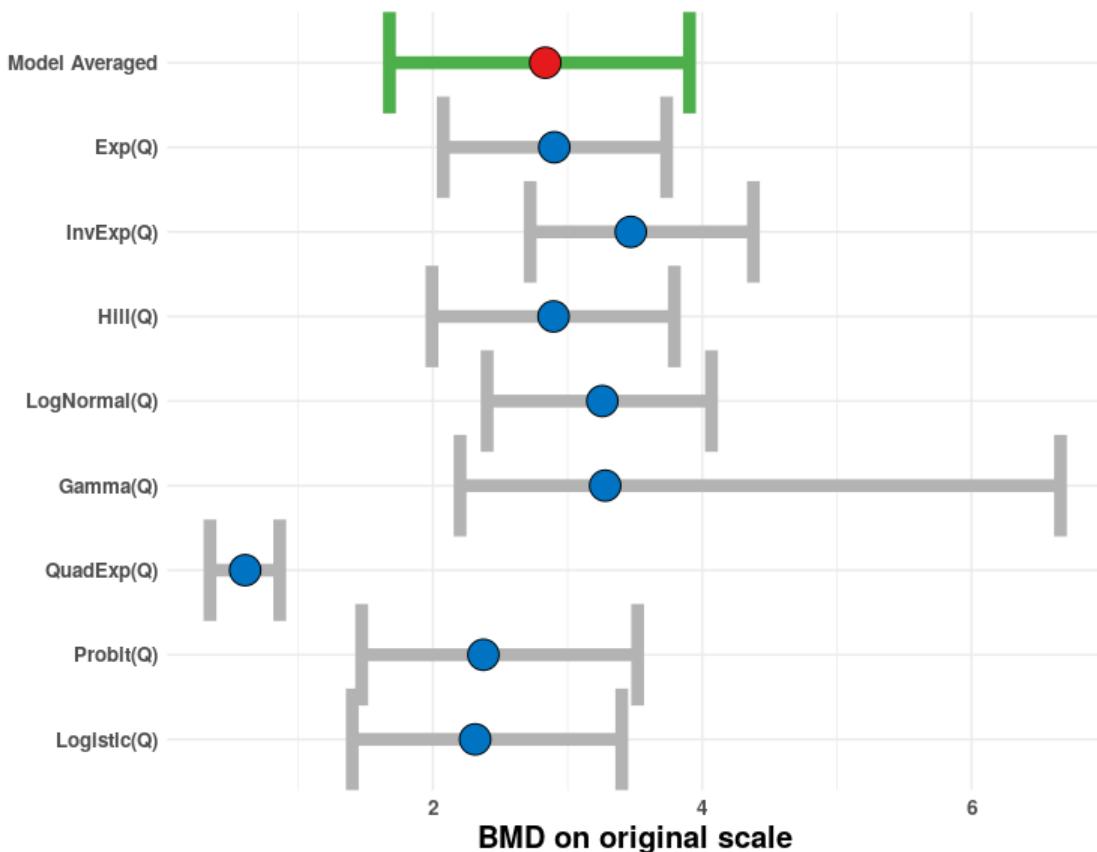
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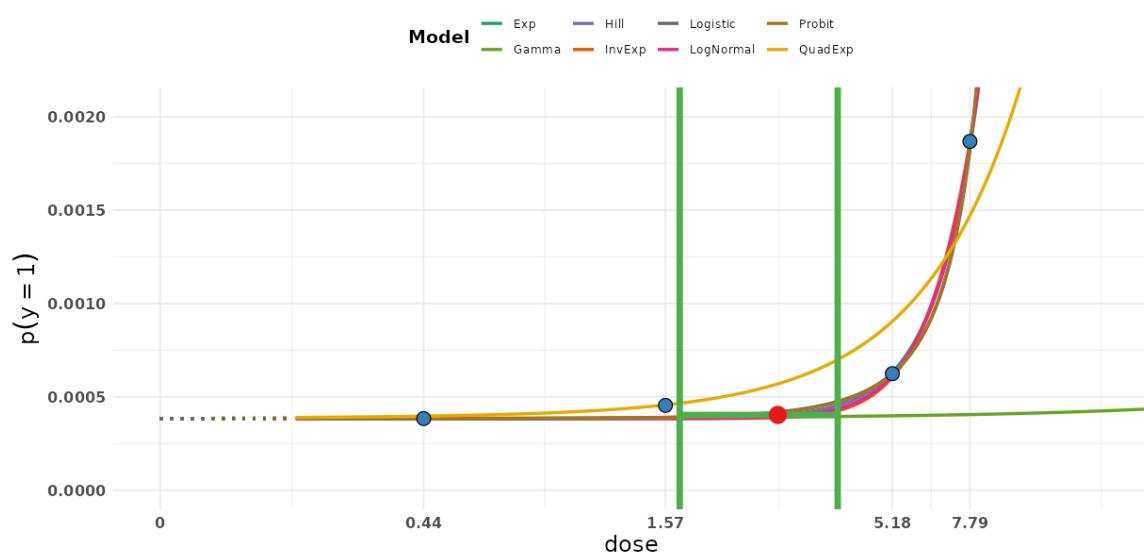
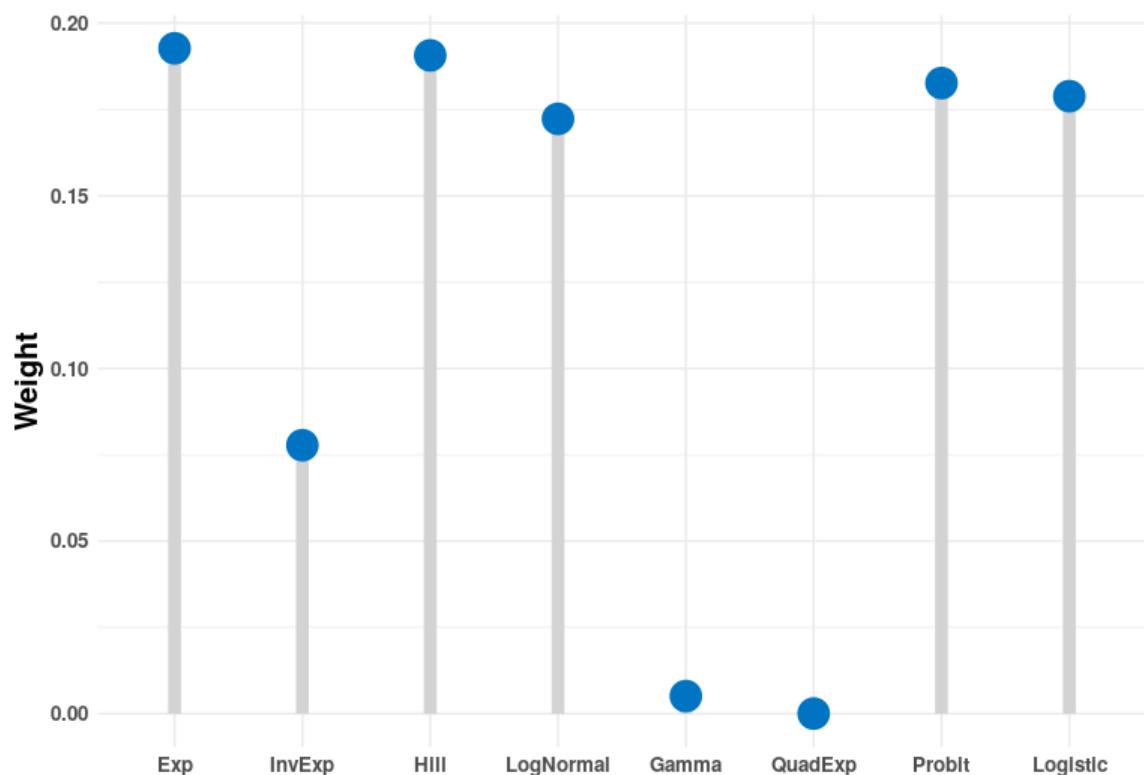
Model Averaged BMD

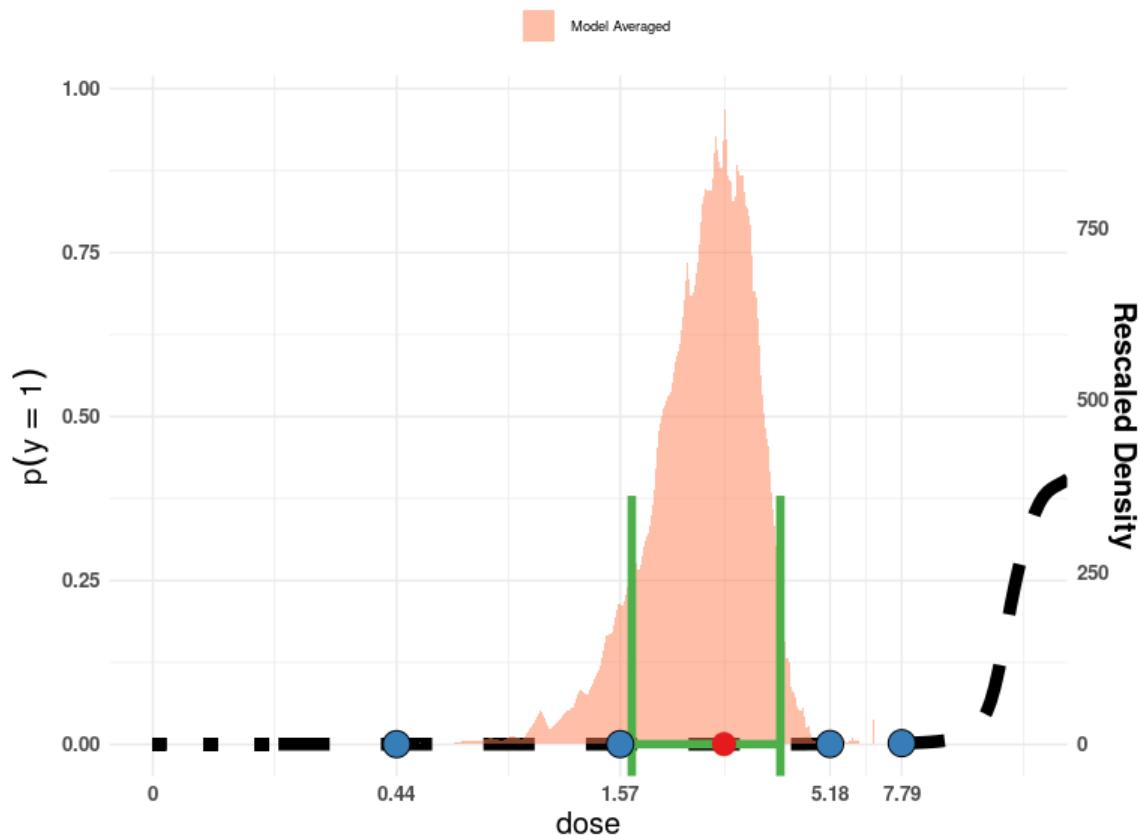
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Model Averaged	BS	1.677	2.834	3.905

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	2.077	2.901	3.736	0.193	1
IE4_Q	2.722	3.469	4.380	0.078	1
H4_Q	1.993	2.896	3.793	0.191	1
LN4_Q	2.403	3.258	4.069	0.172	1
G4_Q	2.202	3.279	6.661	0.005	0
QE4_Q	0.344	0.605	0.862	0.000	1
P4_Q	1.471	2.375	3.520	0.183	1
L4_Q	1.401	2.313	3.402	0.179	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Steinmaus et al. (2014a) lung cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average, based on arsenic daily intakes (only included in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for lung cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.32	27	80469
0.53	28	74219
1.58	37	70313

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.678e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00033218; the most likely: 0.00033553; max: 0.00033889. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

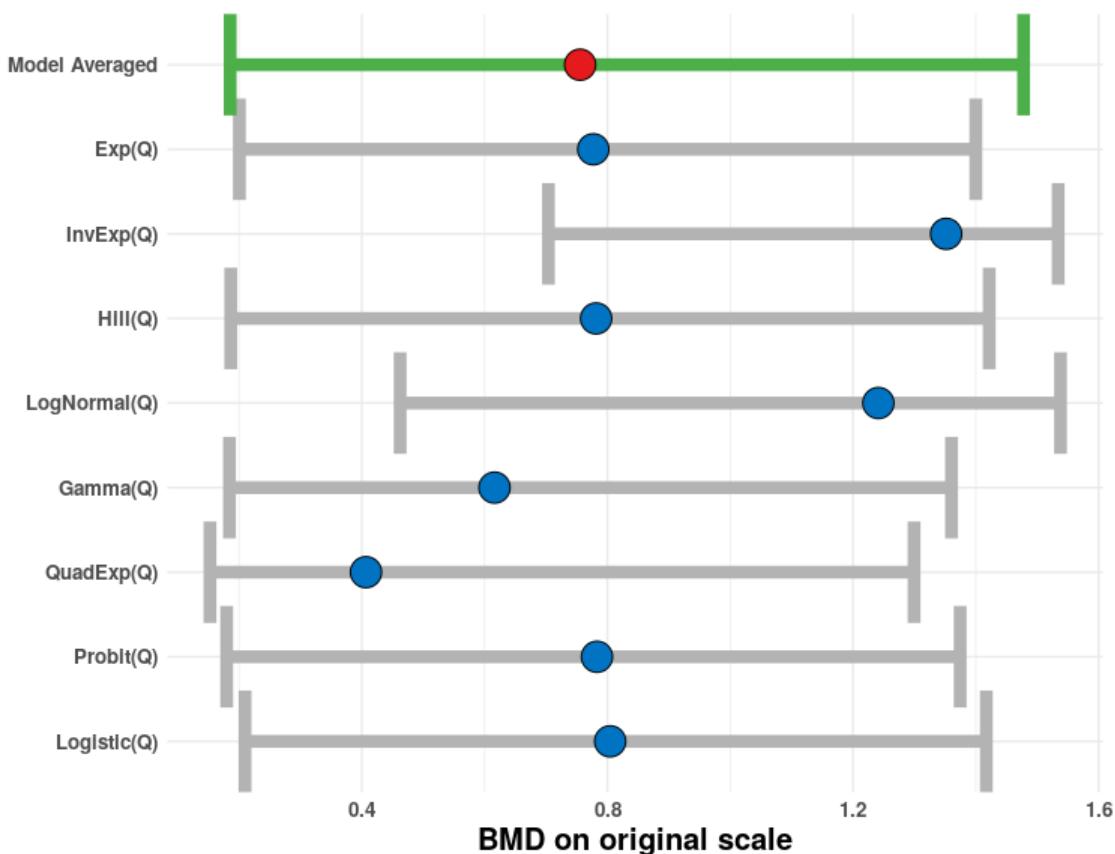
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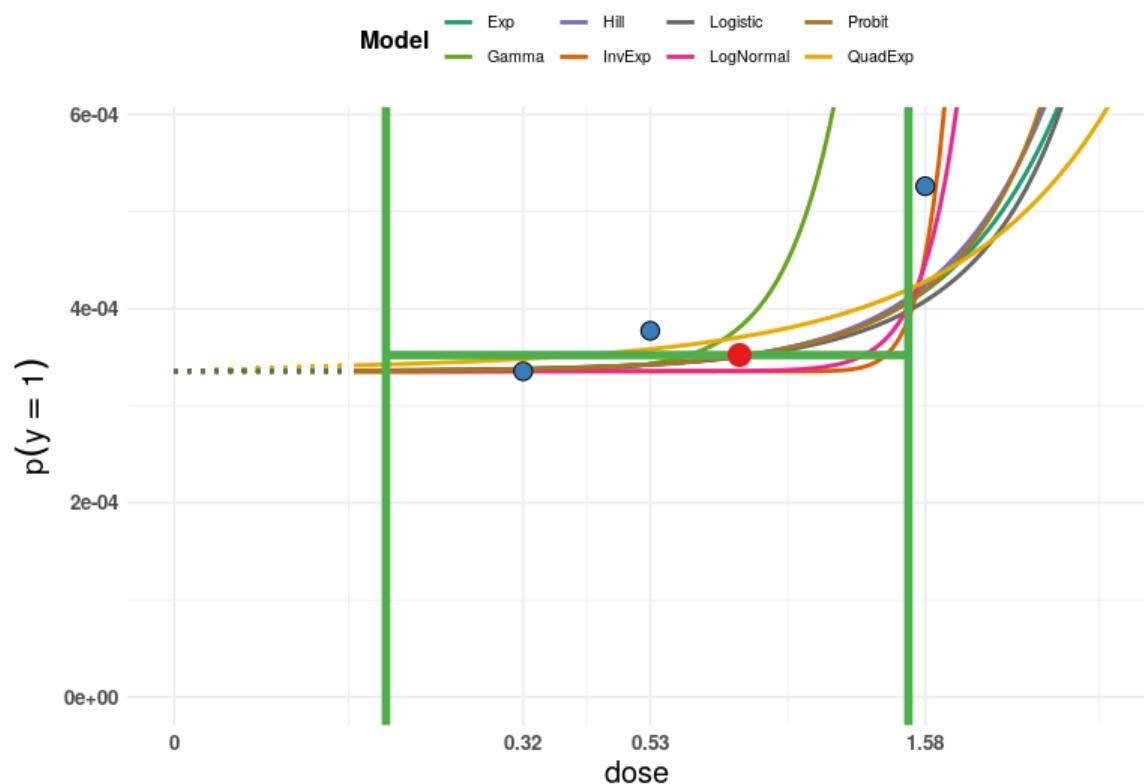
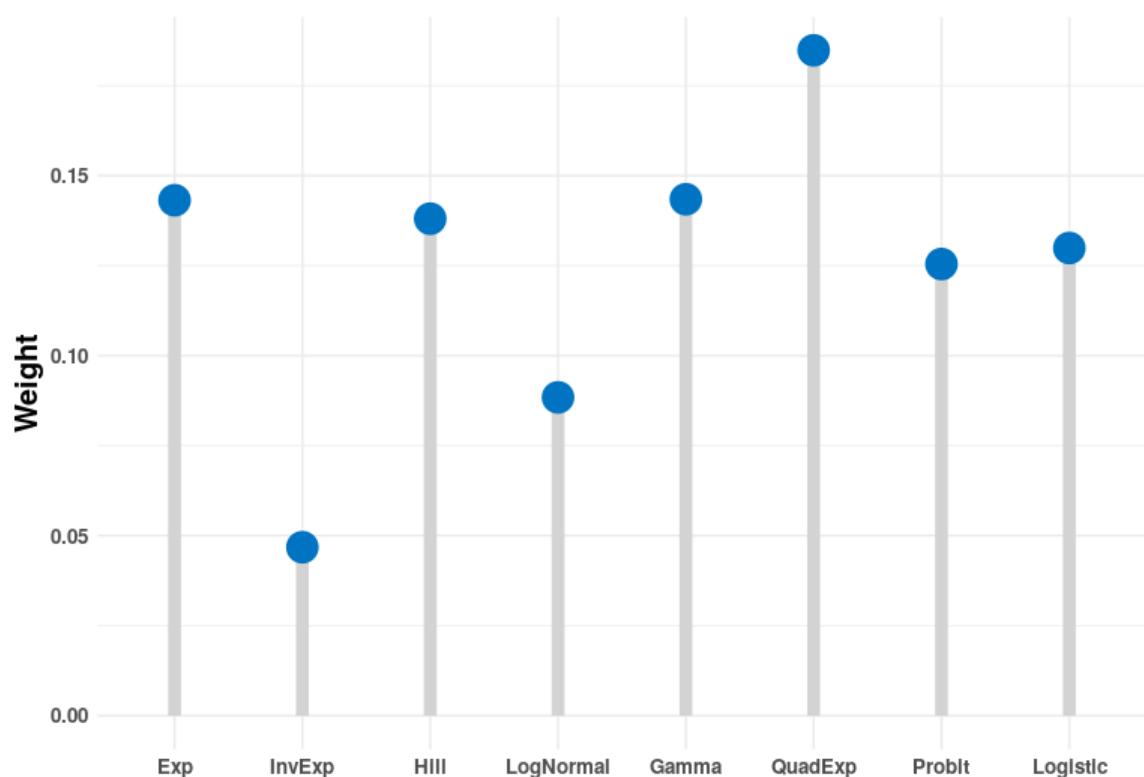
Model Averaged BMD

Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.186	0.756	1.478

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.201	0.777	1.400	0.143	1
IE4_Q	0.704	1.352	1.534	0.047	0
H4_Q	0.186	0.782	1.422	0.138	1
LN4_Q	0.462	1.241	1.538	0.088	0
G4_Q	0.184	0.616	1.361	0.143	0
QE4_Q	0.153	0.407	1.300	0.185	1
P4_Q	0.180	0.783	1.375	0.125	1
L4_Q	0.210	0.804	1.417	0.130	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Steinmaus et al. (2014a) lung cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average, based on arsenic daily intakes, source population decreased by 10% (only included in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for lung cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.32	27	72422
0.53	28	66797
1.58	37	63281

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.865e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00036909; the most likely: 0.00037281; max: 0.00037654. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

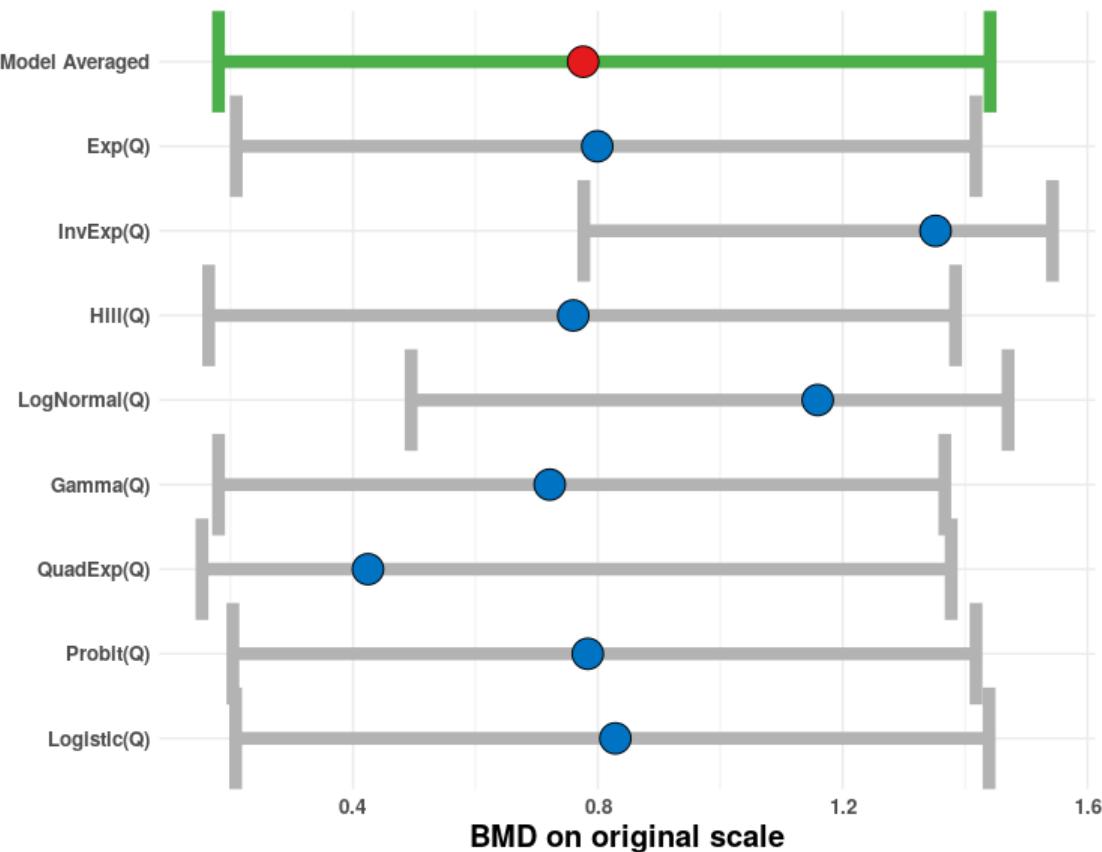
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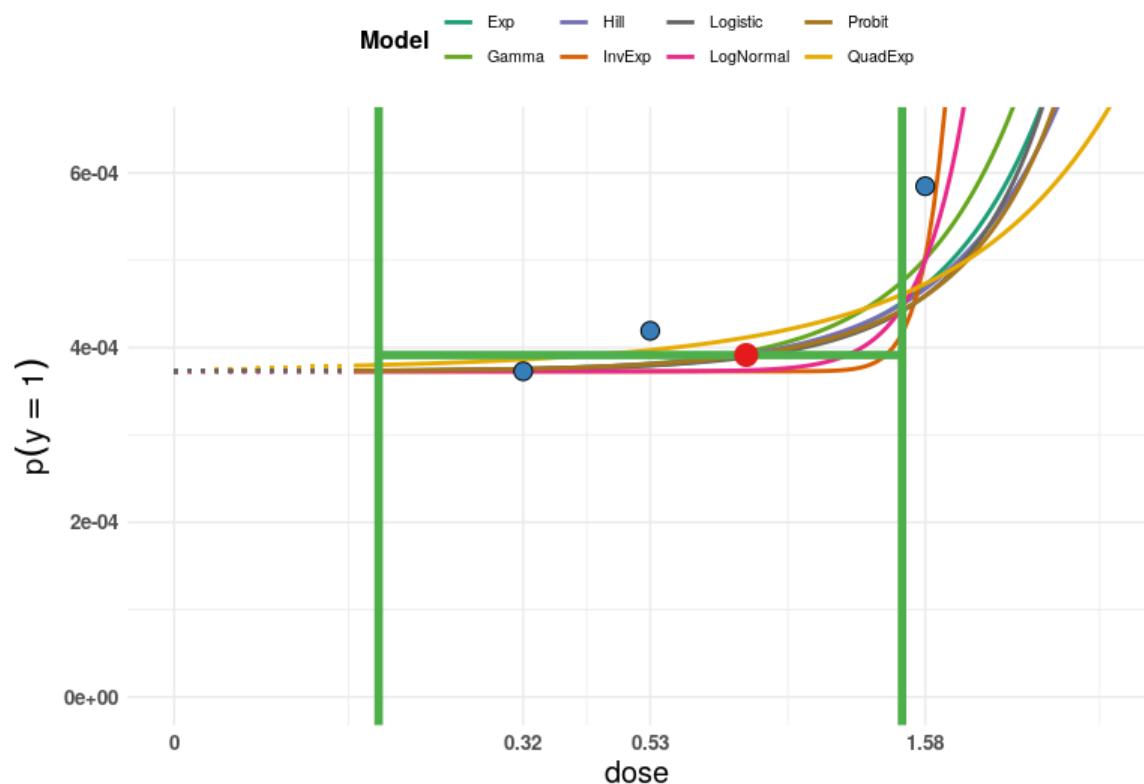
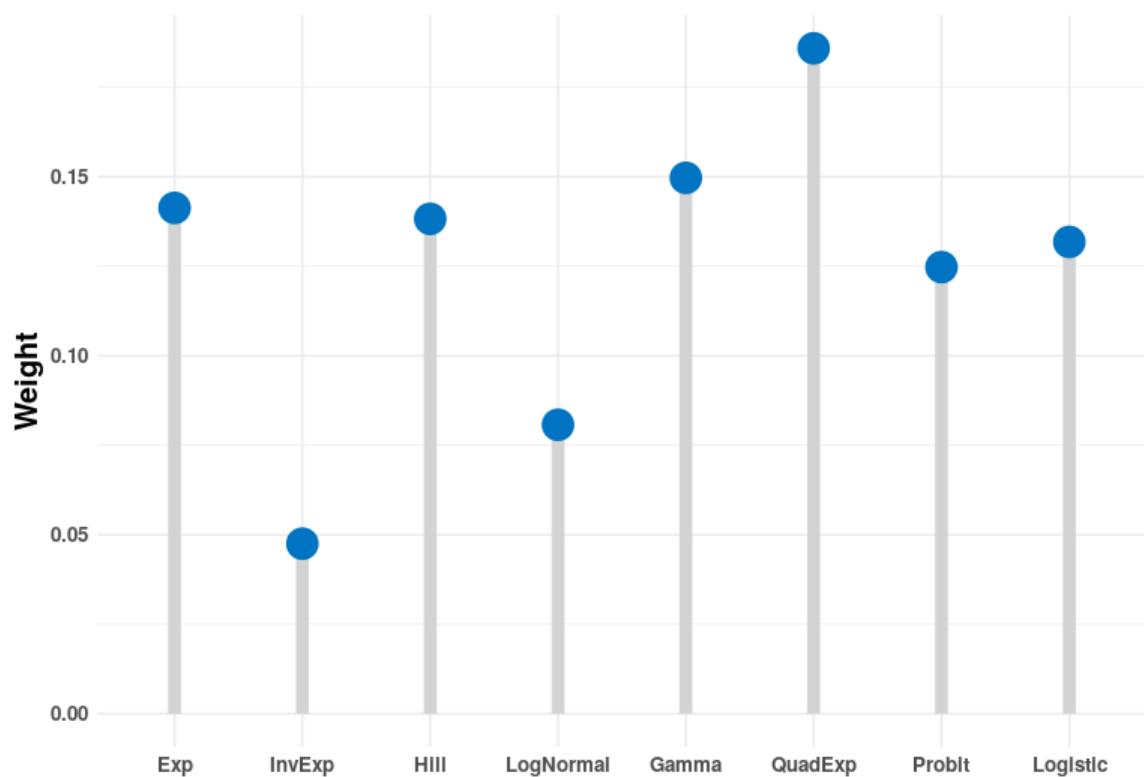
Model Averaged BMD

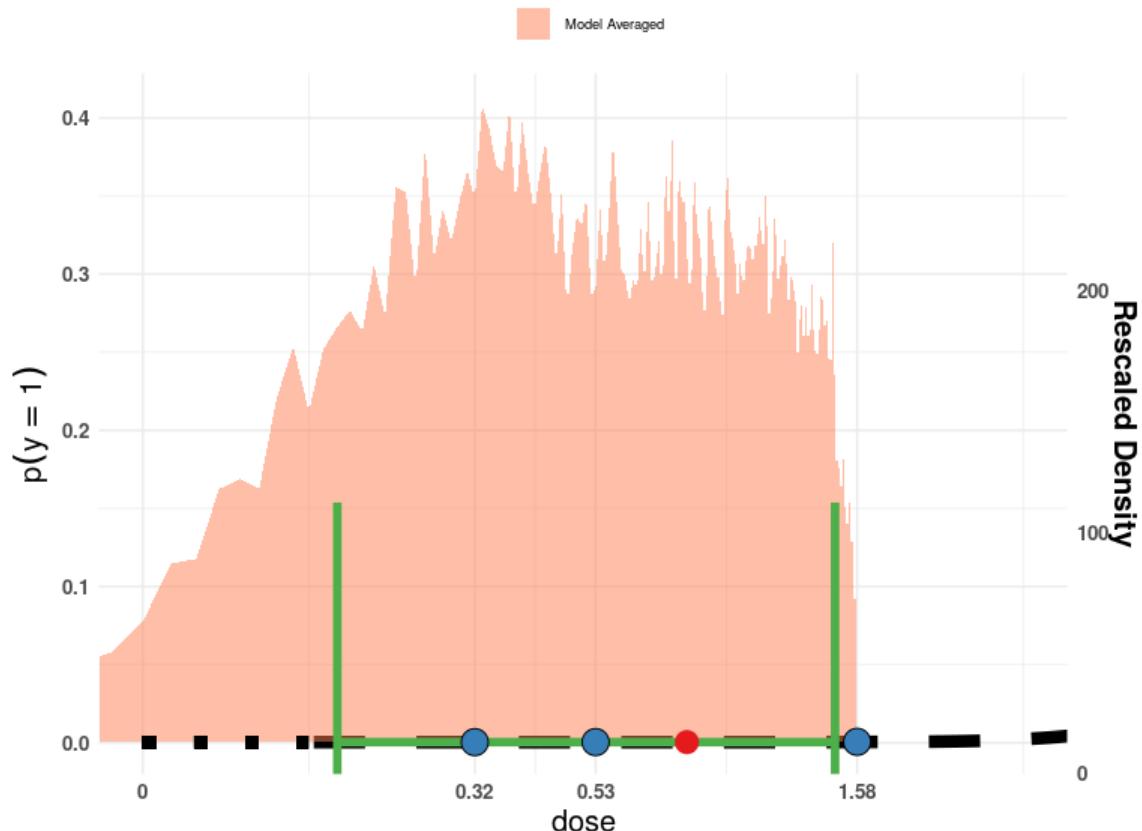
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.18	0.776	1.441

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.209	0.799	1.418	0.141	1
IE4_Q	0.777	1.352	1.543	0.048	1
H4_Q	0.164	0.760	1.385	0.138	1
LN4_Q	0.495	1.159	1.470	0.081	1
G4_Q	0.180	0.721	1.367	0.150	1
QE4_Q	0.153	0.424	1.377	0.186	1
P4_Q	0.204	0.784	1.418	0.125	1
L4_Q	0.208	0.829	1.439	0.132	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Steinmaus et al. (2014a) lung cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average, based on arsenic daily intakes, source population decreased by 20% (only included in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for lung cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.32	27	64375
0.53	28	59375
1.58	37	56250

The 'Value for CES' is set to 2.098e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00041522; the most likely: 0.00041942; max: 0.00042361. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

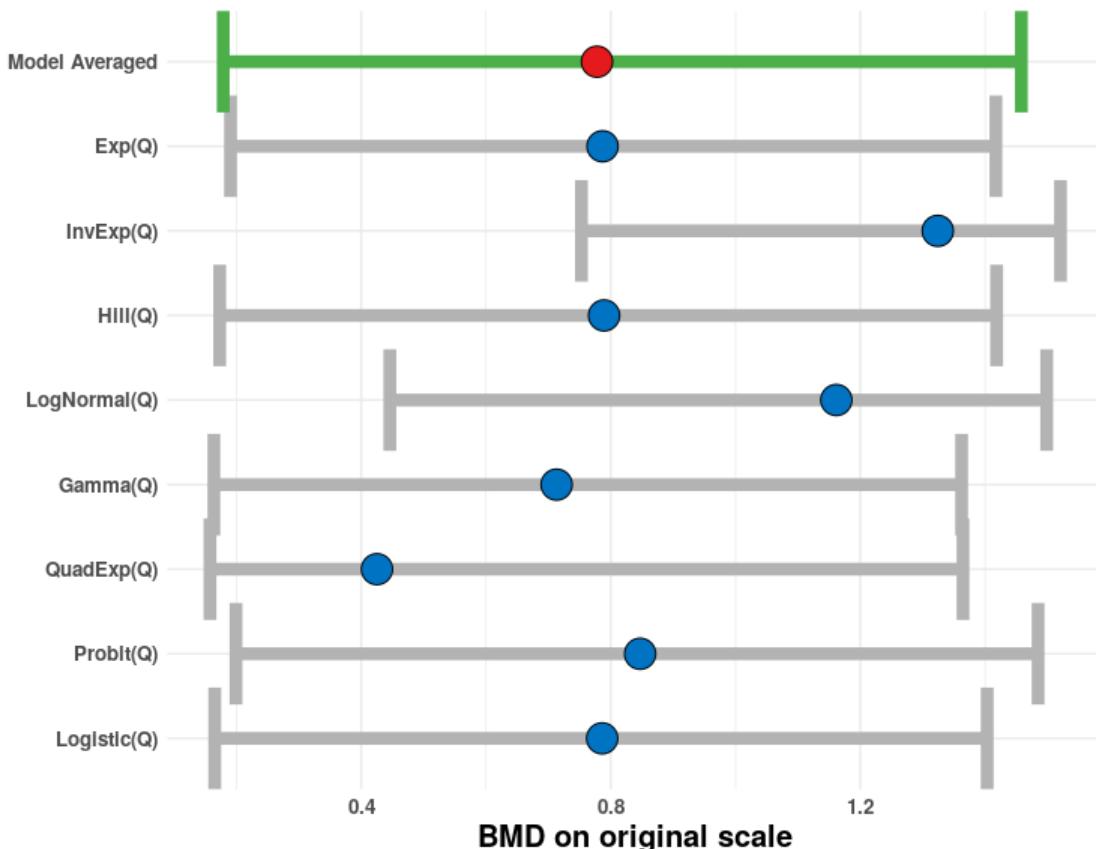
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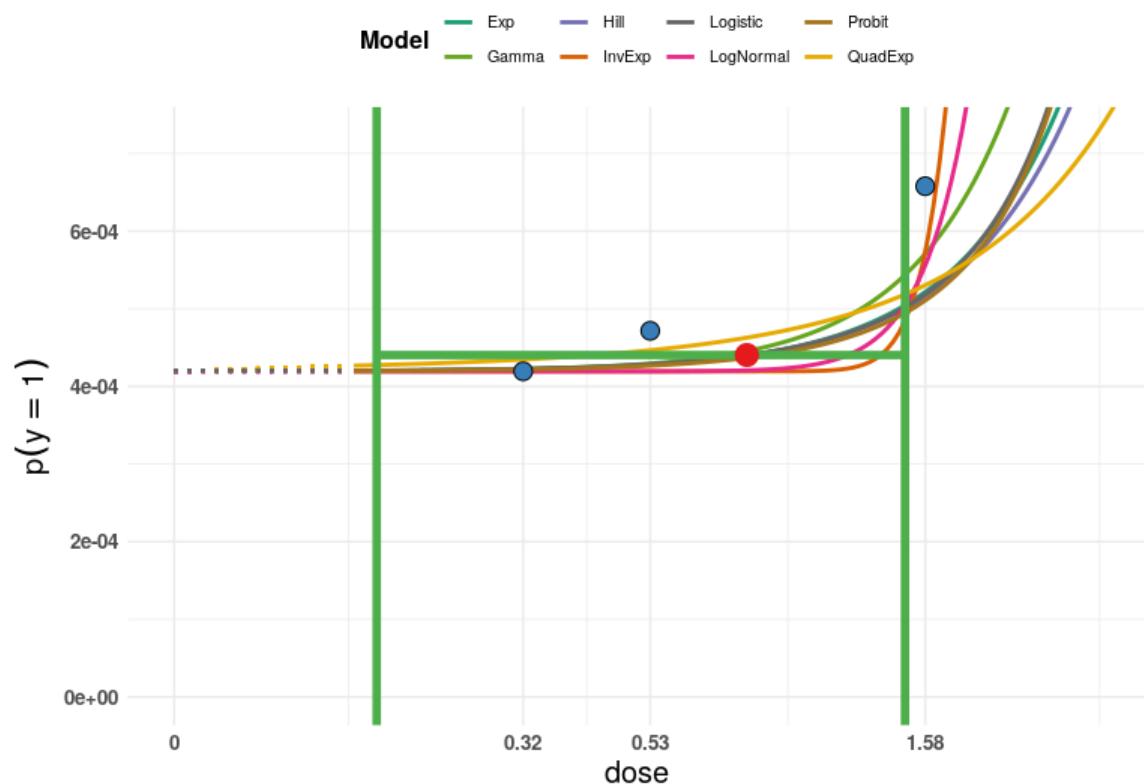
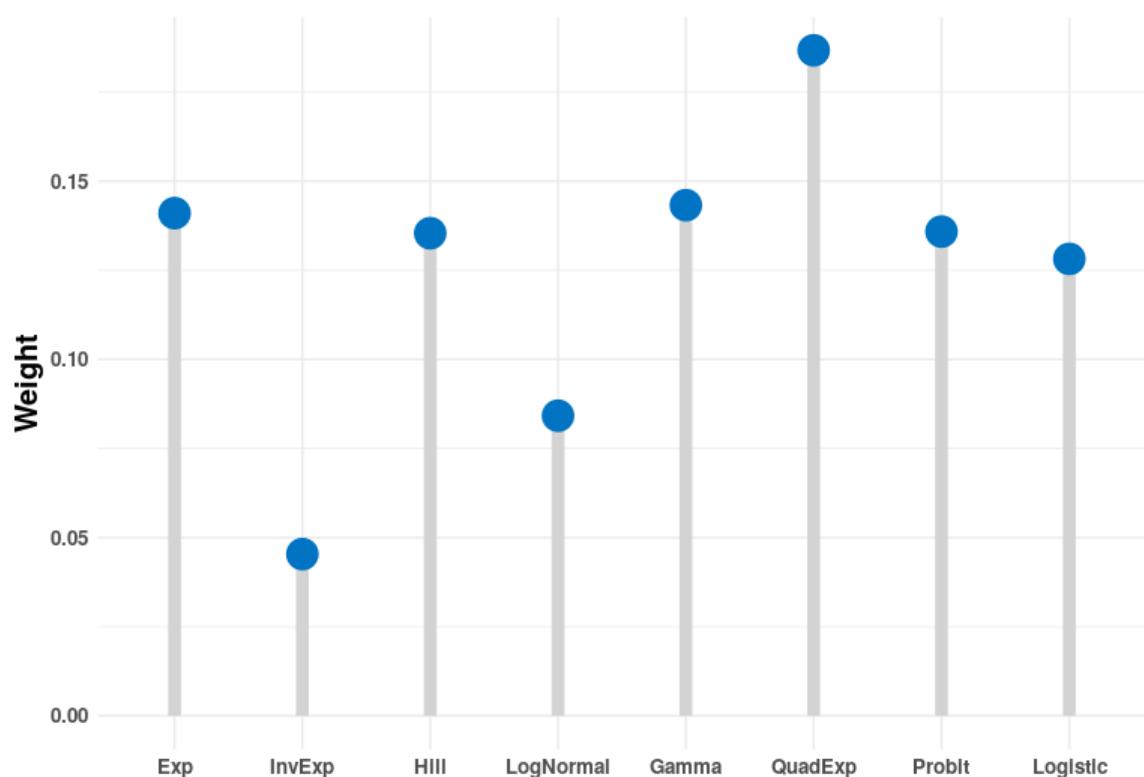
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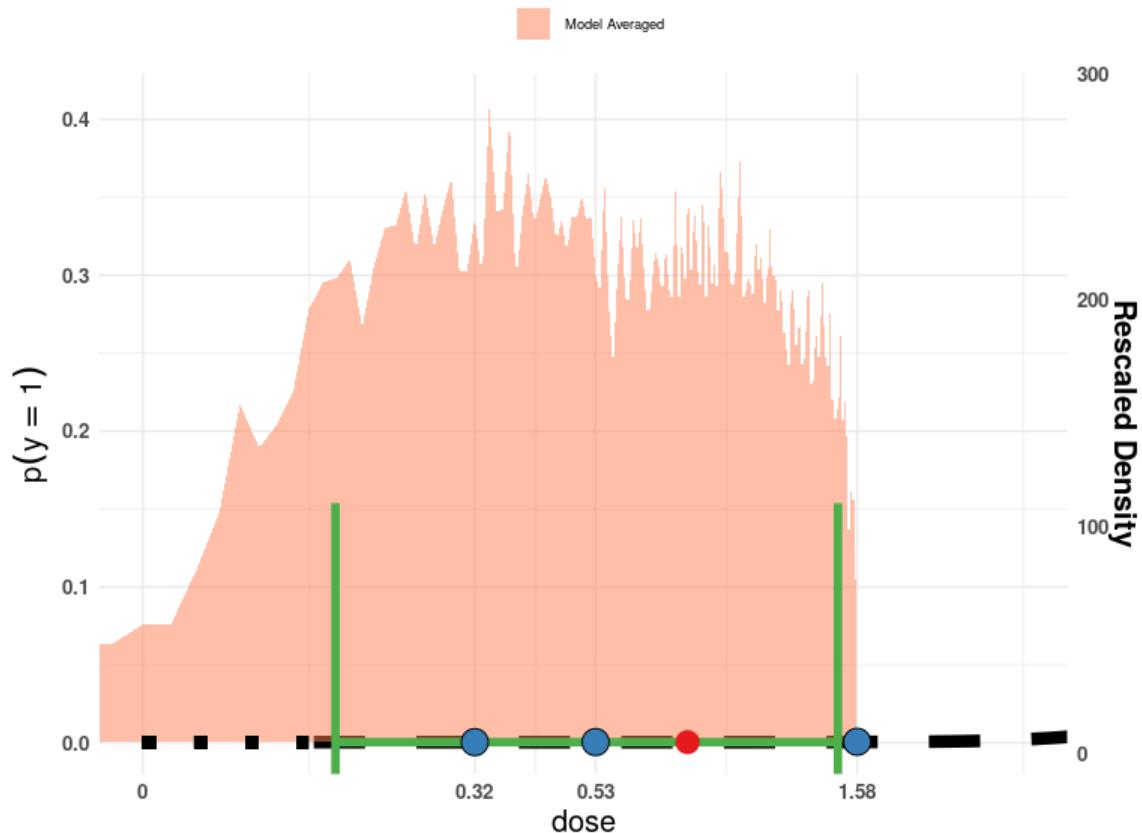
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Model Averaged	BS	0.179	0.778	1.458

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.191	0.787	1.417	0.141	1
IE4_Q	0.753	1.324	1.521	0.045	1
H4_Q	0.173	0.789	1.418	0.135	1
LN4_Q	0.446	1.162	1.499	0.084	1
G4_Q	0.164	0.713	1.362	0.143	1
QE4_Q	0.158	0.425	1.365	0.187	1
P4_Q	0.199	0.847	1.485	0.136	1
L4_Q	0.165	0.786	1.403	0.128	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Steinmaus et al. (2014a) lung cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average, based on arsenic daily intakes, source population increased by 10% (only included in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for lung cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.32	27	88516
0.53	28	81641
1.58	37	77344

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.526e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00030198; the most likely: 0.00030503; max: 0.00030808. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

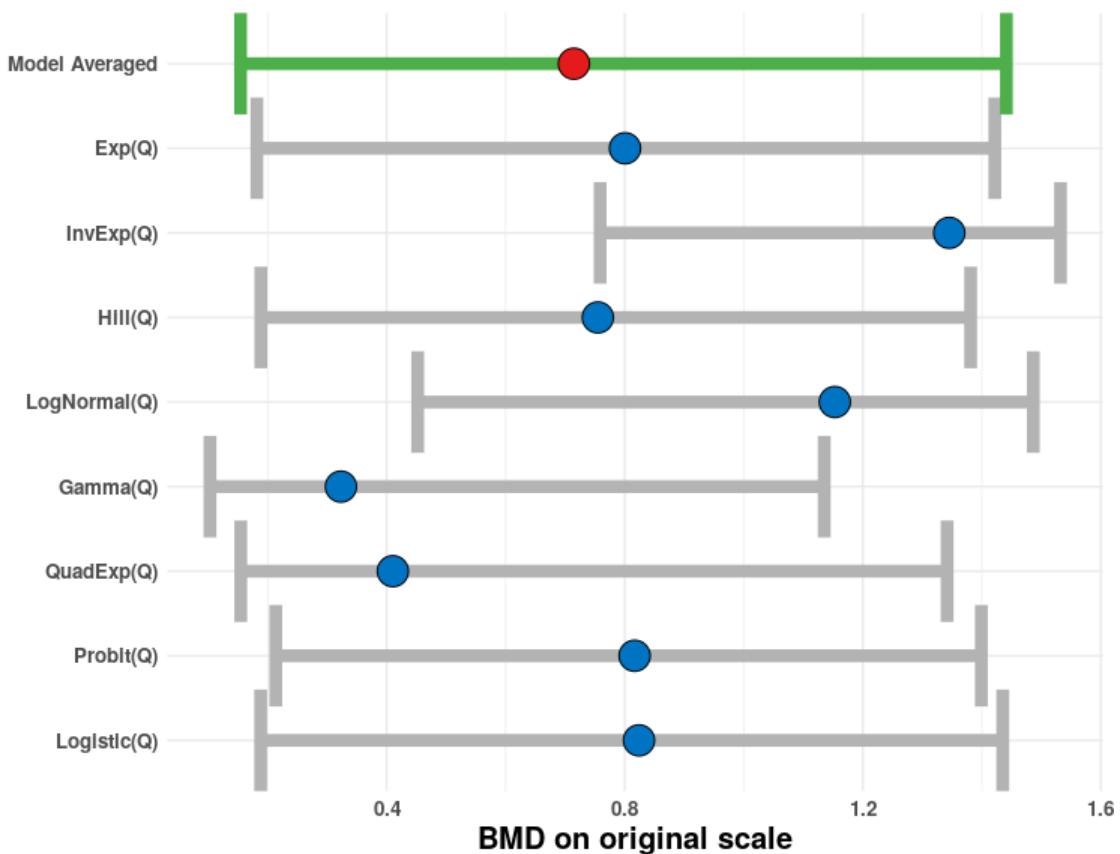
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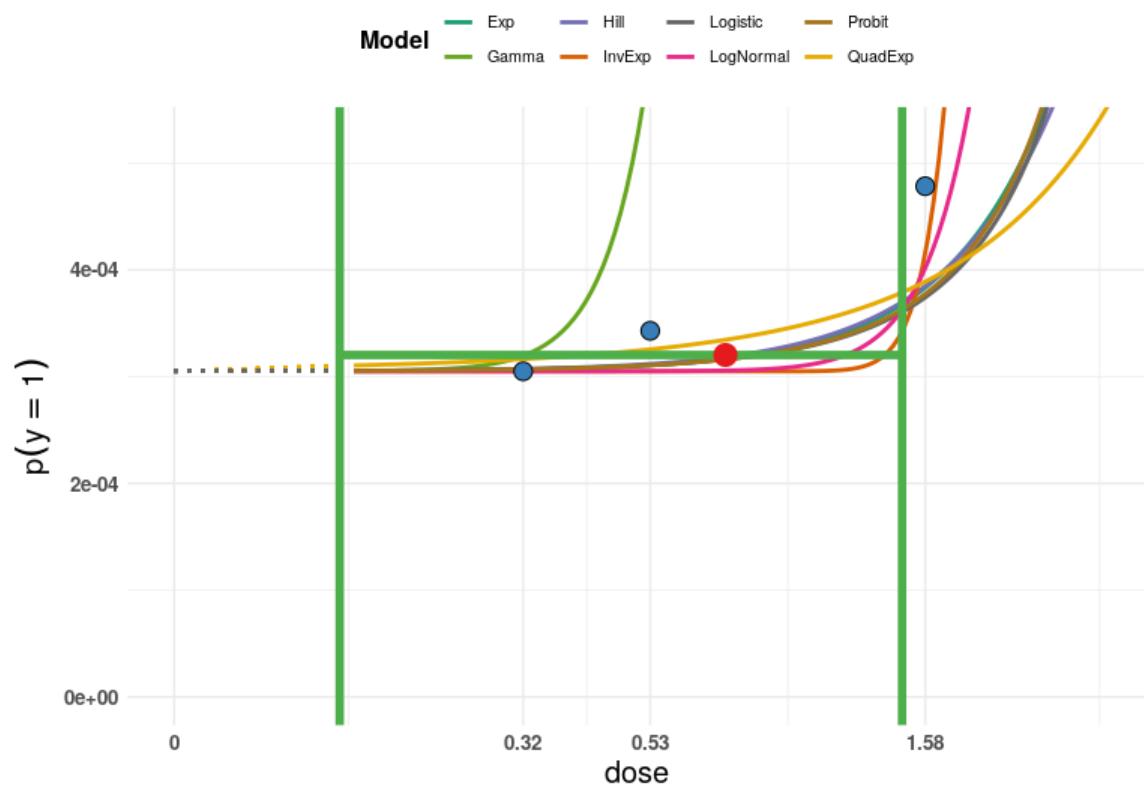
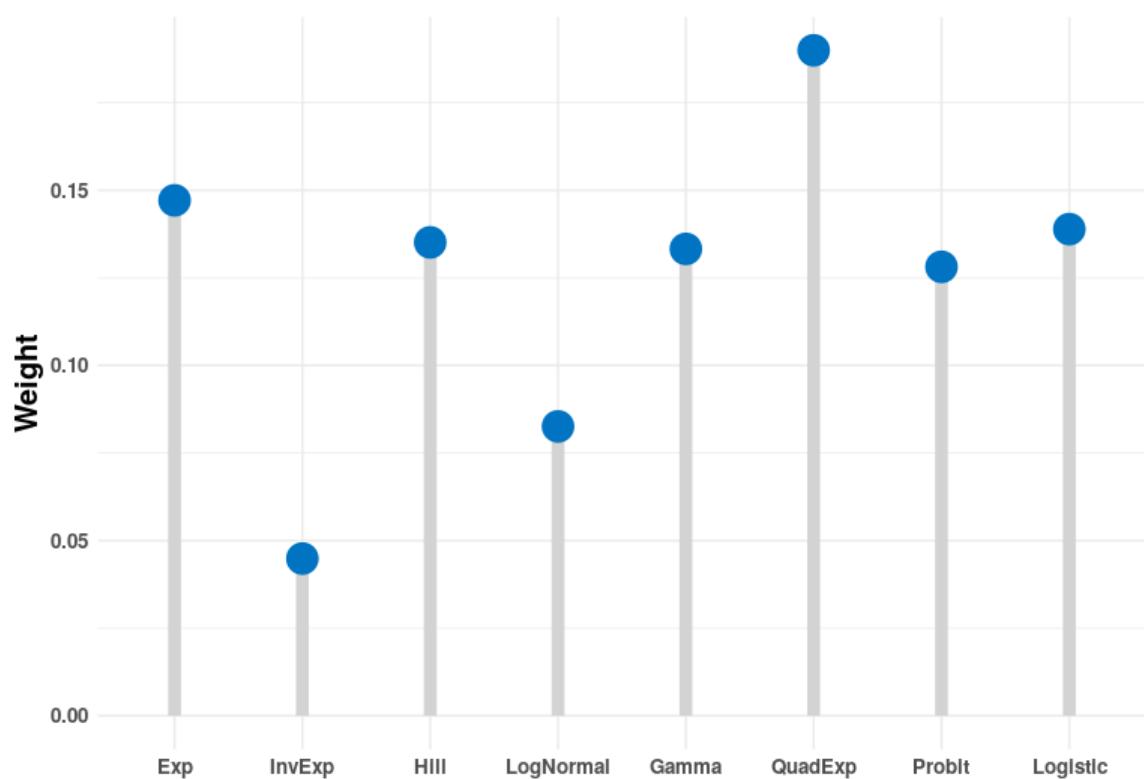
Model Averaged BMD

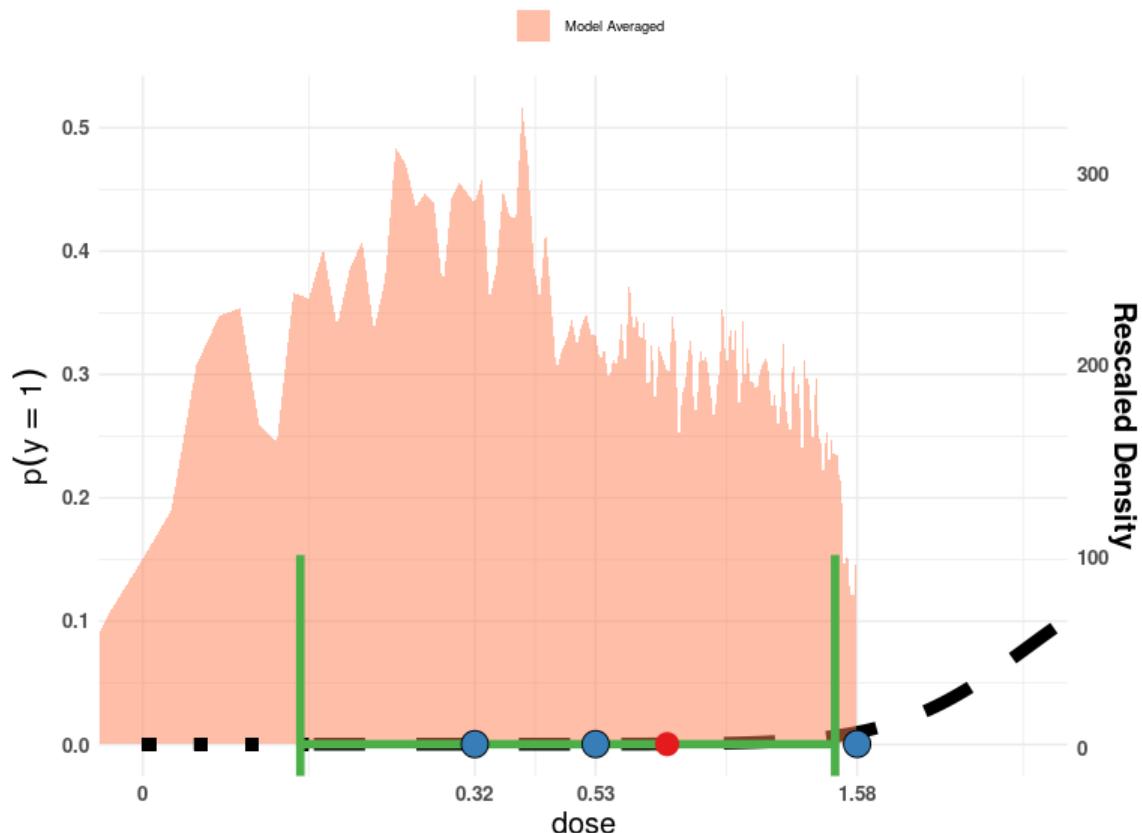
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.154	0.715	1.441

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.182	0.800	1.422	0.147	1
IE4_Q	0.759	1.345	1.532	0.045	1
H4_Q	0.189	0.755	1.381	0.135	1
LN4_Q	0.452	1.153	1.486	0.083	1
G4_Q	0.103	0.323	1.135	0.133	0
QE4_Q	0.155	0.410	1.342	0.190	1
P4_Q	0.214	0.817	1.399	0.128	1
L4_Q	0.188	0.824	1.435	0.139	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Steinmaus et al. (2014a) lung cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: lifetime average, based on arsenic daily intakes, source population increased by 20% (only included in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for lung cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.32	27	96563
0.53	28	89063
1.58	37	84375

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.398e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00027681; the most likely: 0.00027961; max: 0.00028241. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

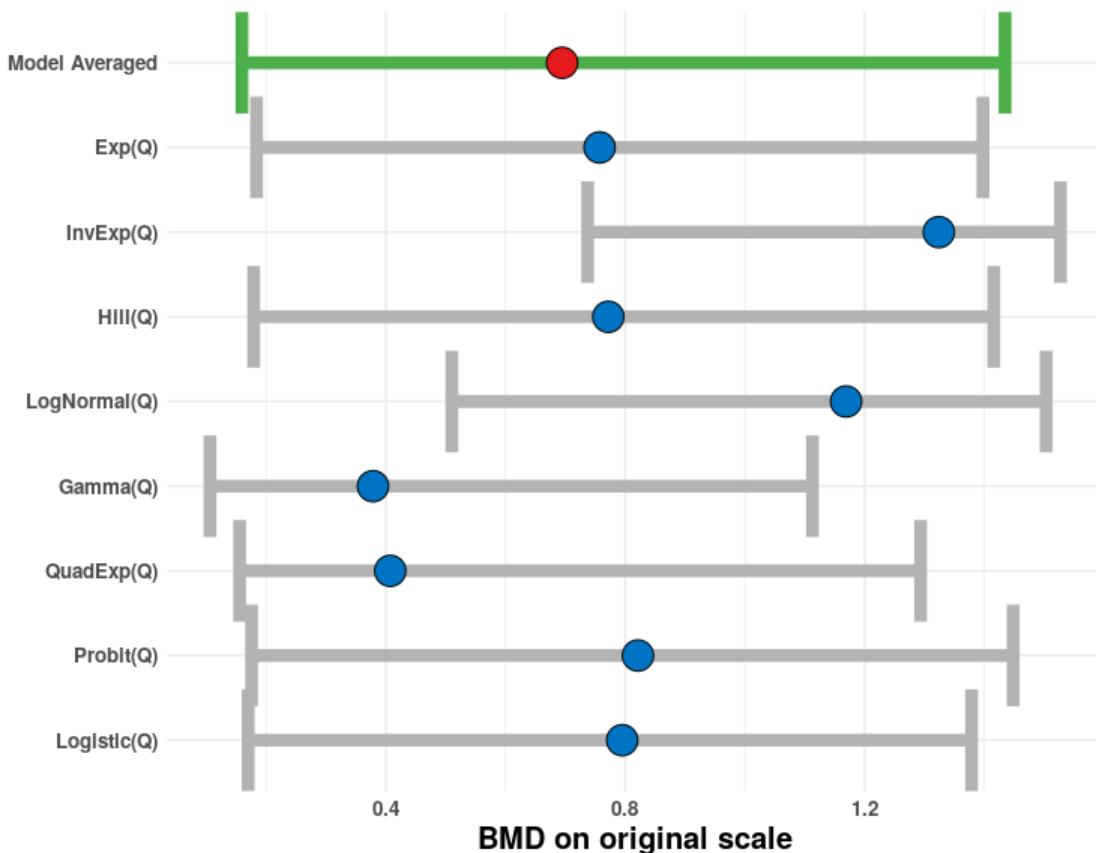
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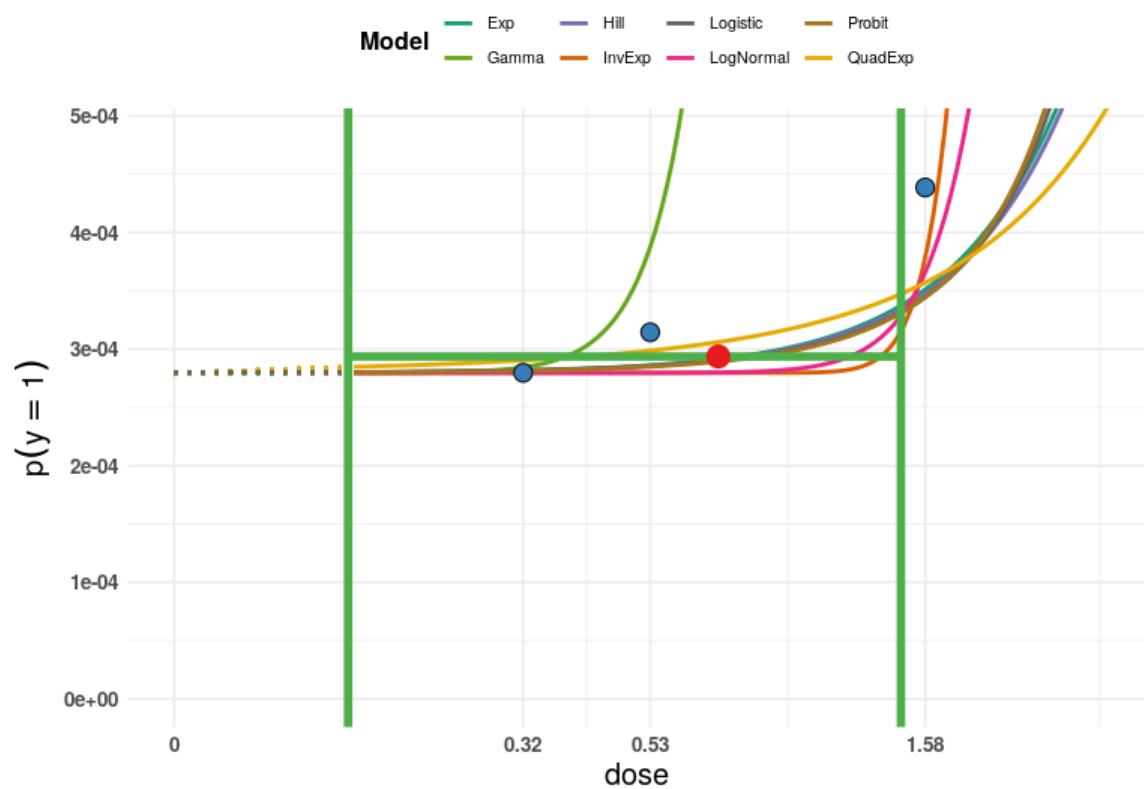
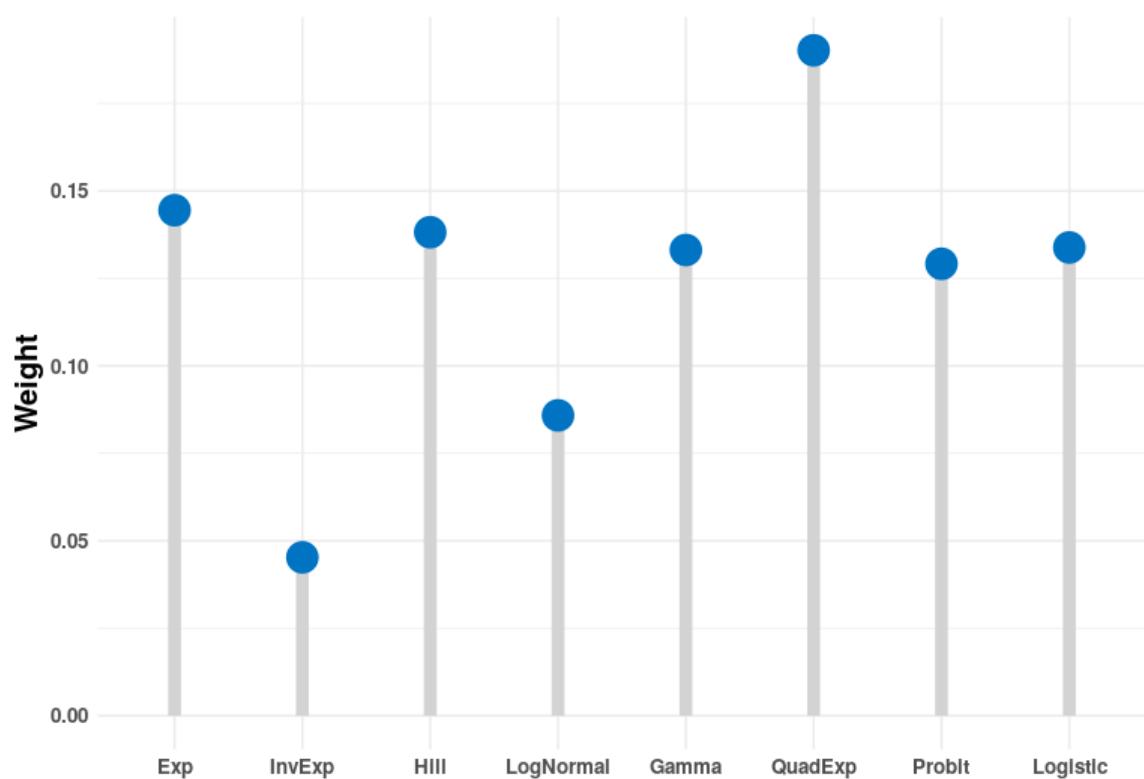
Model Averaged BMD

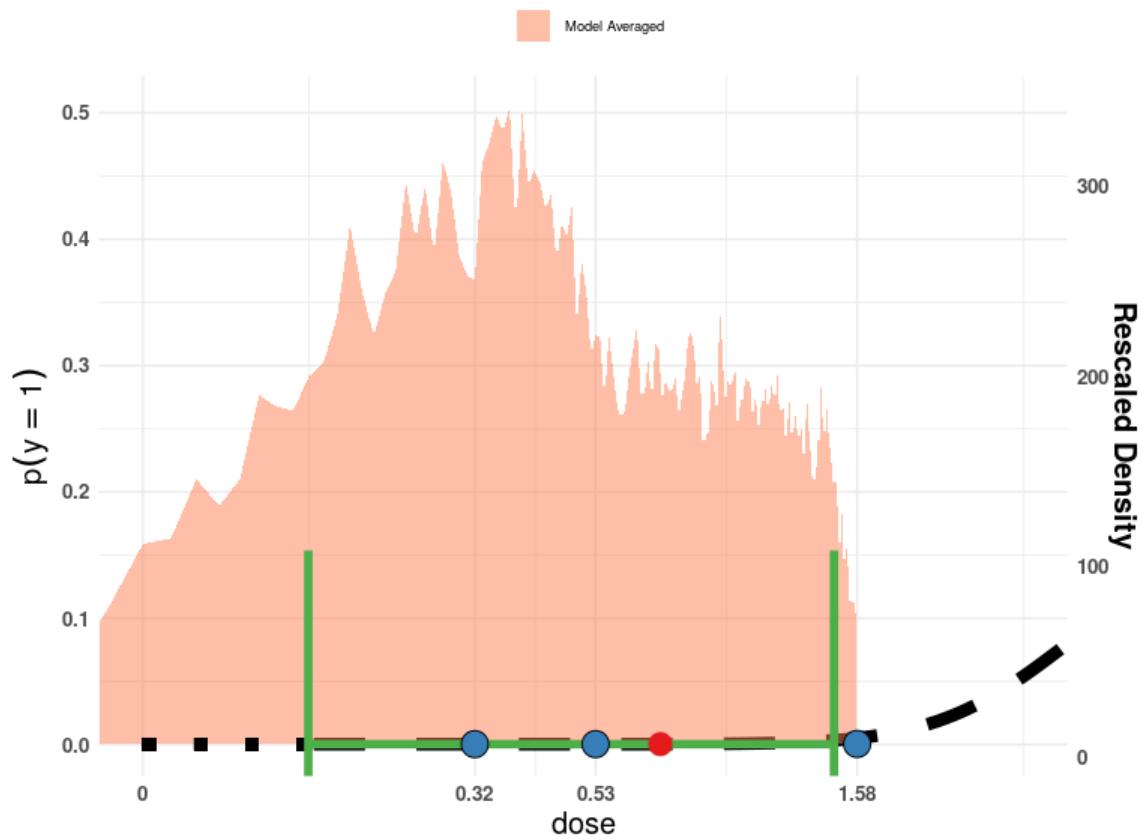
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Model Averaged	BS	0.16	0.695	1.435

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.184	0.757	1.398	0.144	1
IE4_Q	0.737	1.324	1.527	0.045	1
H4_Q	0.179	0.772	1.416	0.138	1
LN4_Q	0.510	1.169	1.503	0.086	1
G4_Q	0.106	0.379	1.113	0.133	0
QE4_Q	0.156	0.407	1.294	0.190	1
P4_Q	0.176	0.821	1.448	0.129	1
L4_Q	0.170	0.795	1.379	0.134	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Steinmaus et al. (2014a) lung cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: the highest 5-year average, based on arsenic daily intakes (the preferred exposure estimate for the study)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for lung cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.36	25	79688
0.70	30	77344
2.00	37	67969

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.569e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00031059; the most likely: 0.00031372; max: 0.00031686. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

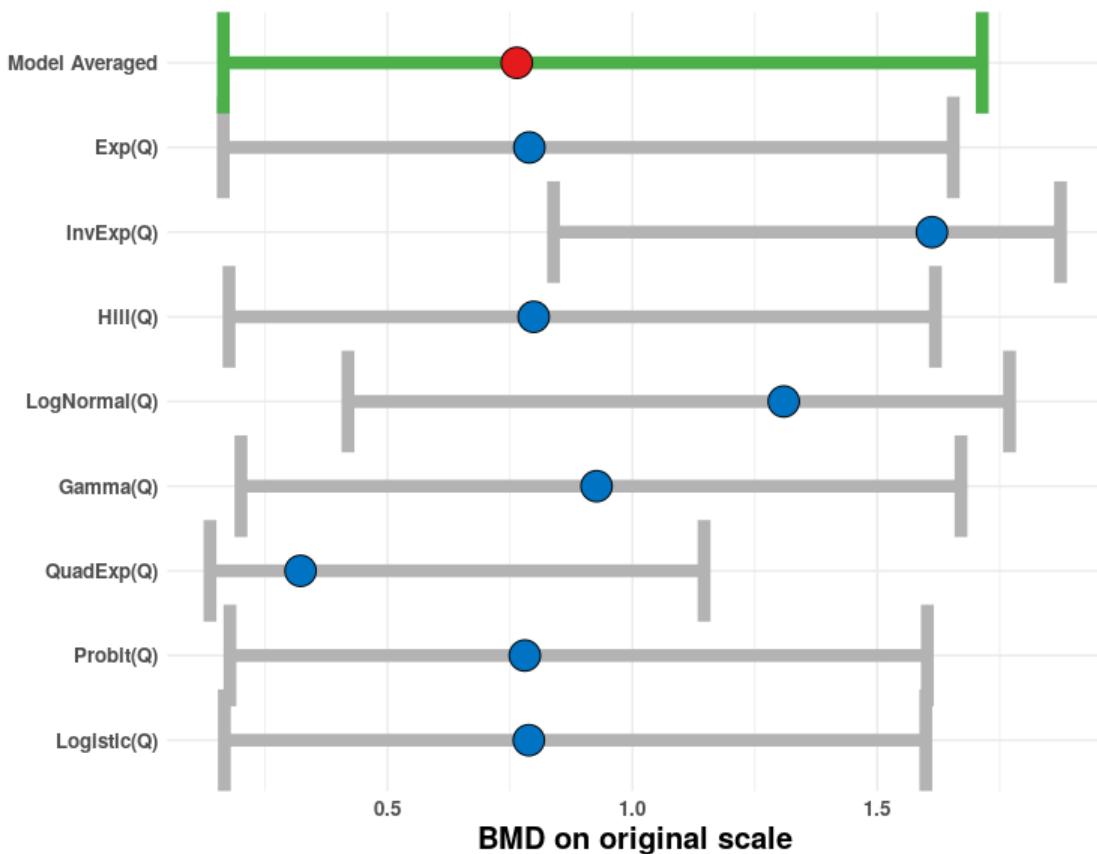
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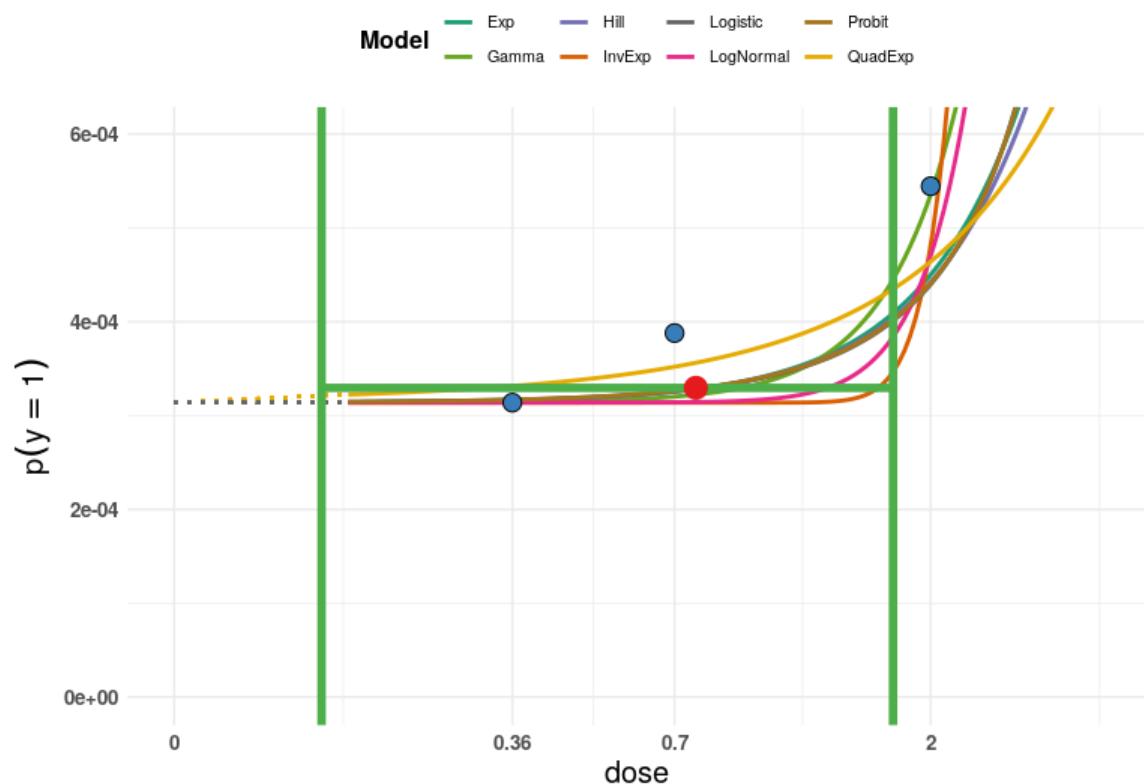
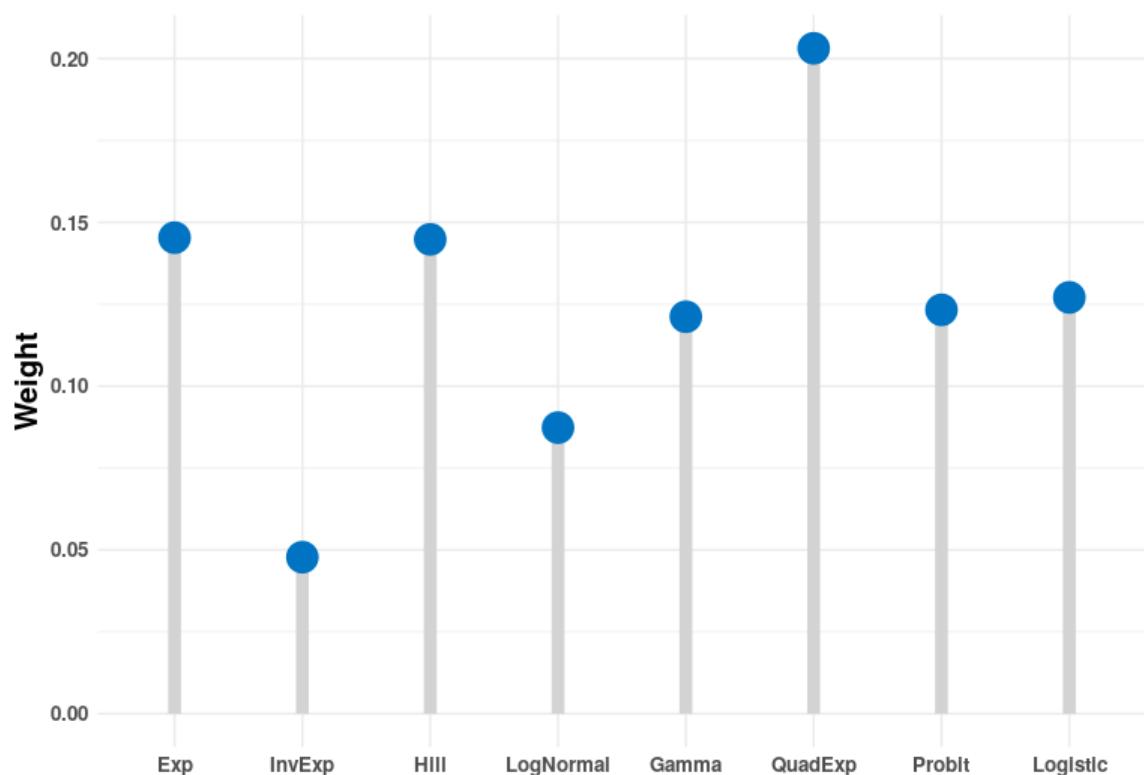
Model Averaged BMD

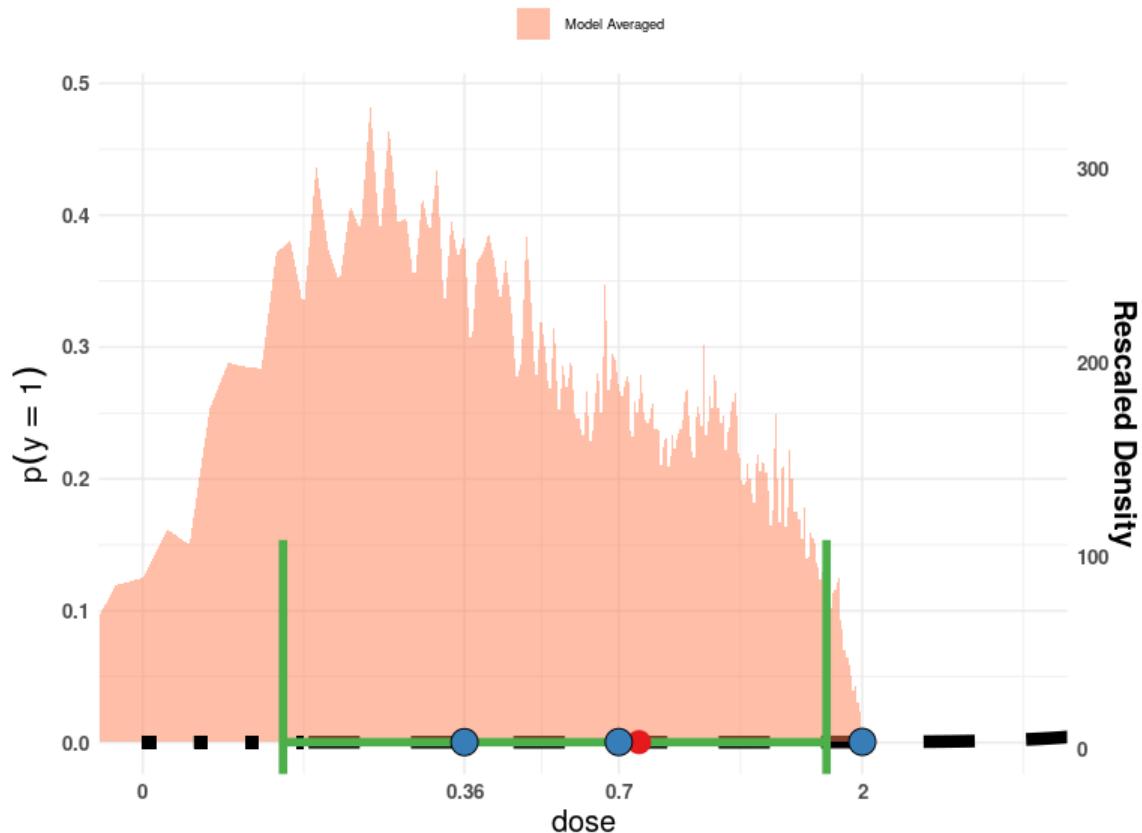
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.165	0.764	1.714

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.165	0.789	1.655	0.145	1
IE4_Q	0.839	1.612	1.874	0.048	1
H4_Q	0.176	0.798	1.619	0.145	1
LN4_Q	0.419	1.309	1.770	0.087	1
G4_Q	0.201	0.927	1.671	0.121	0
QE4_Q	0.137	0.322	1.146	0.203	1
P4_Q	0.178	0.780	1.602	0.123	1
L4_Q	0.167	0.788	1.599	0.127	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Steinmaus et al. (2014a) lung cancer, relative BMR 5%

Exposure: the highest single year, based on arsenic daily intakes (only included in the uncertainty analysis)

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for lung cancer

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.39	23	80469
0.84	31	76563
1.19	38	67969

The 'Value for CES' is set to 1.43e-05.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00028297; the most likely: 0.00028582; max: 0.00028868. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

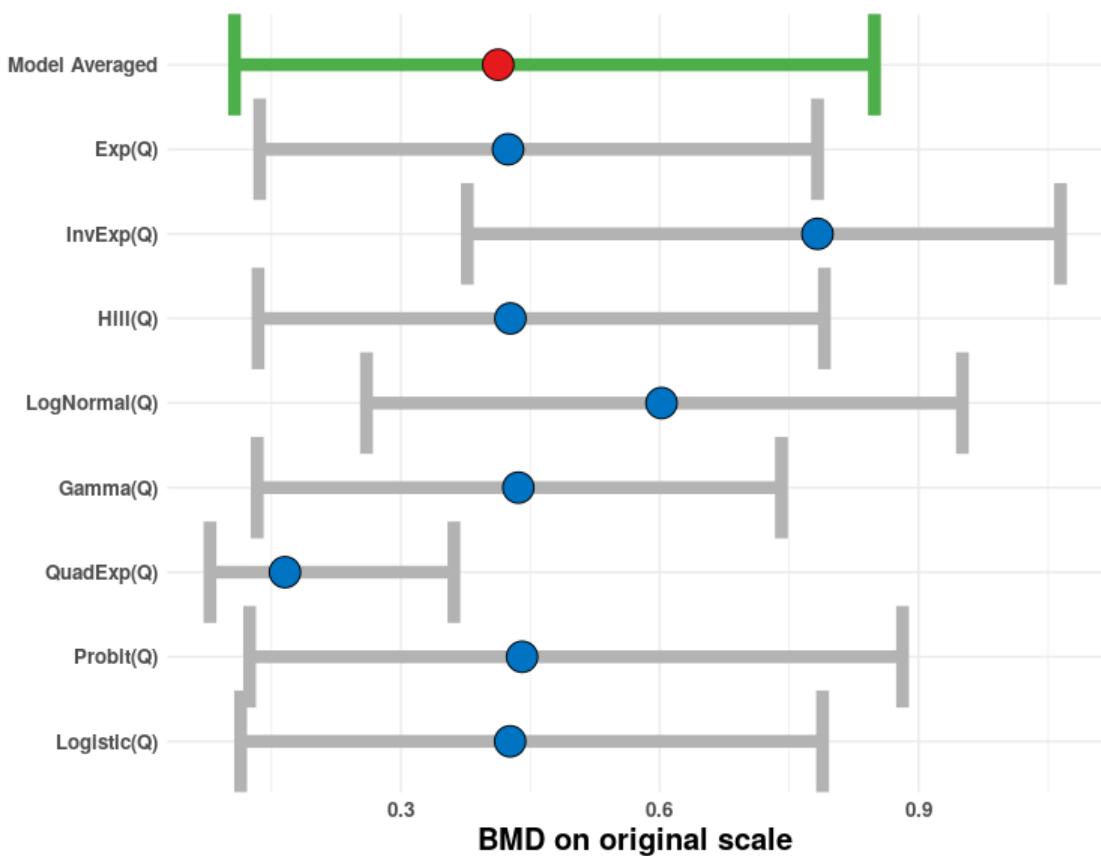
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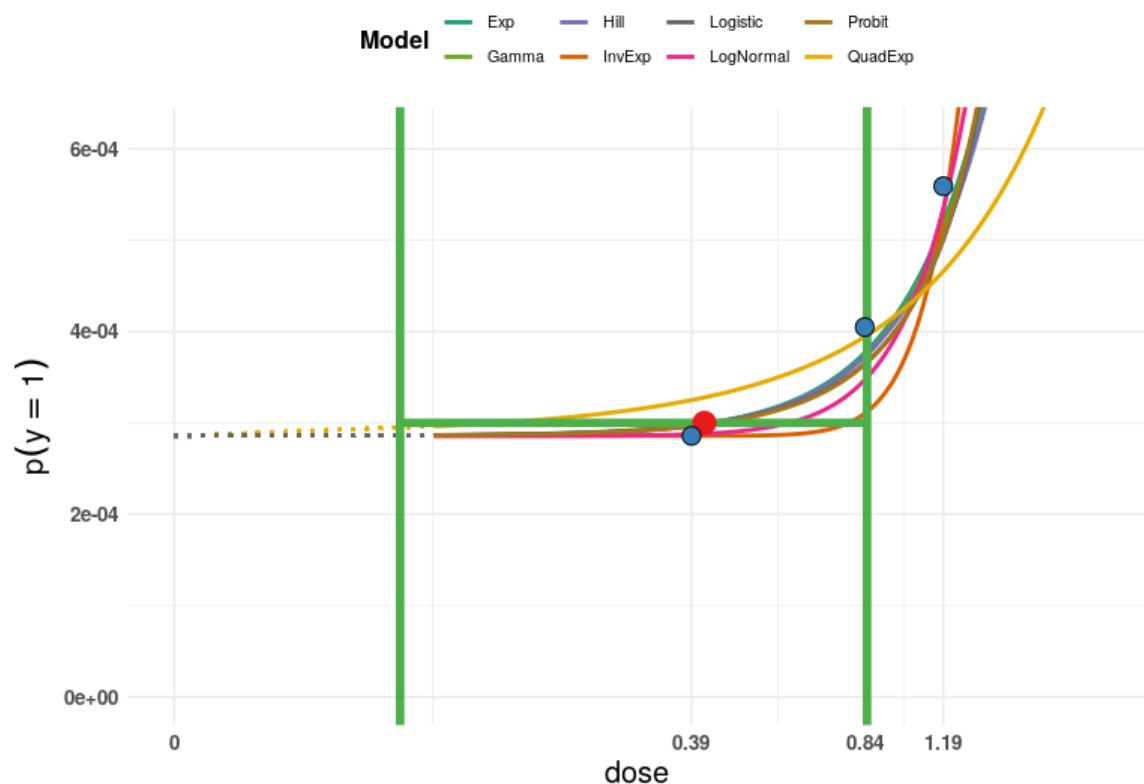
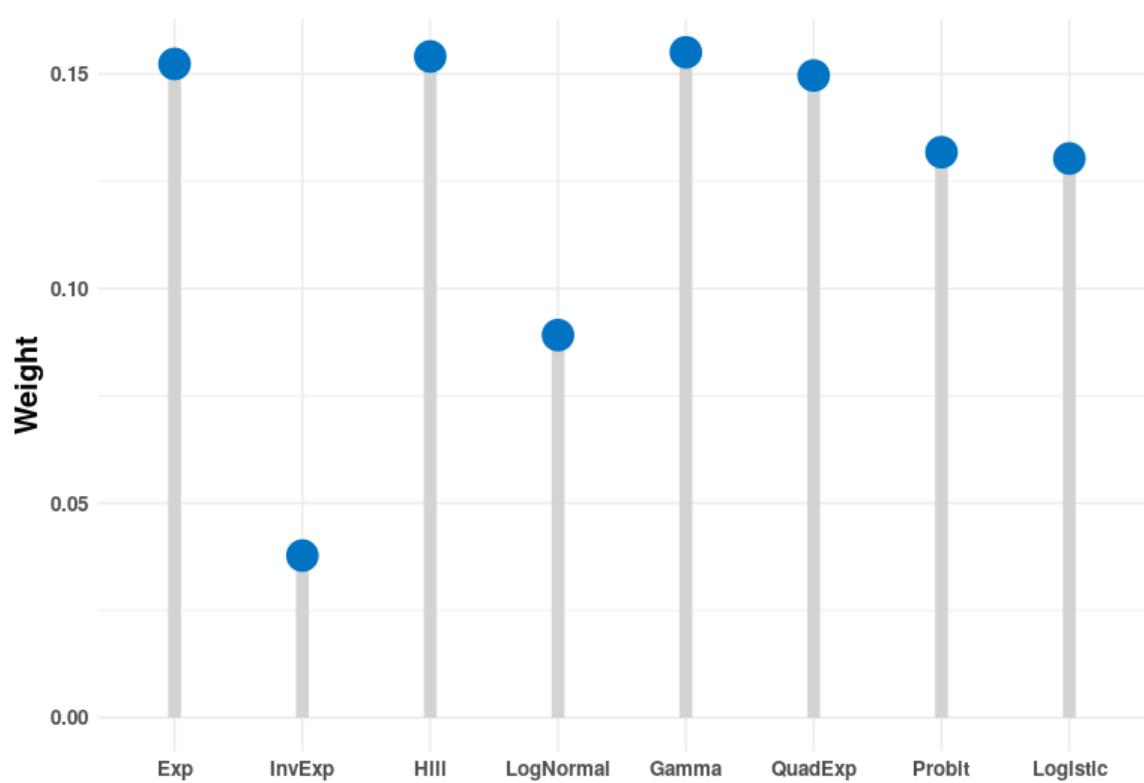
Model Averaged BMD

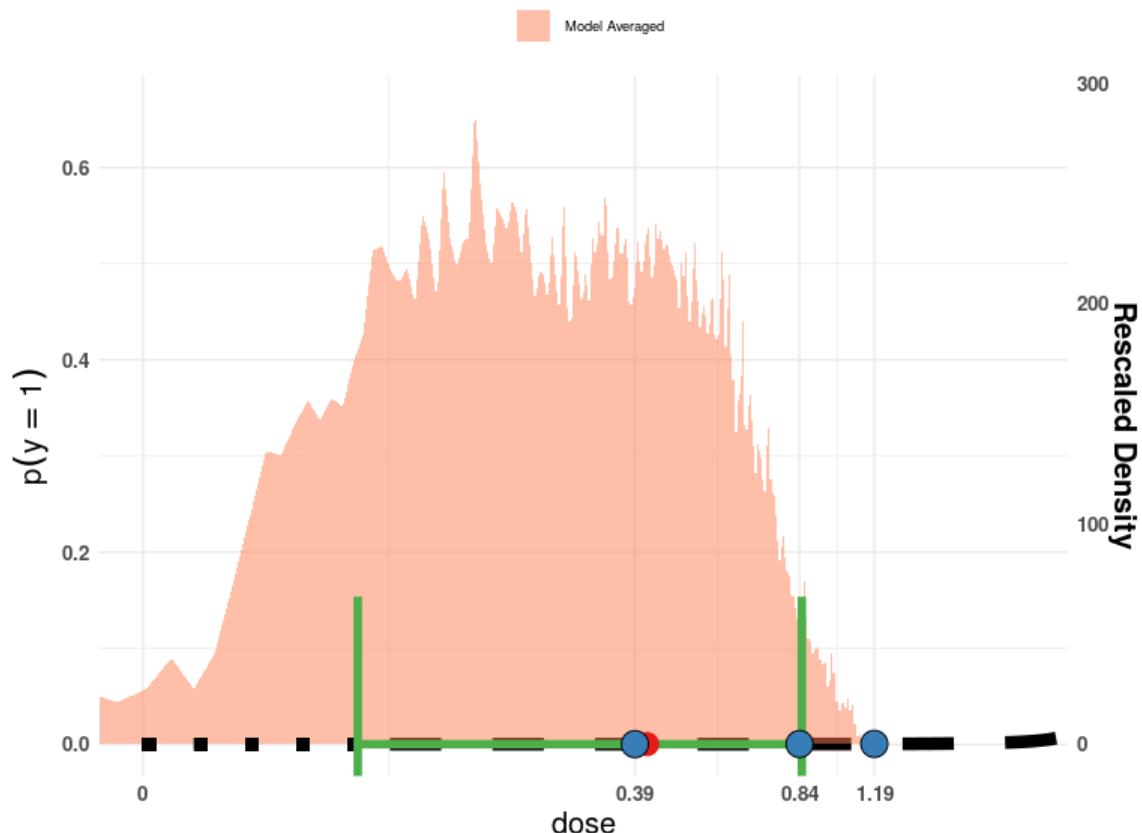
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.107	0.413	0.849

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.136	0.424	0.783	0.152	1
IE4_Q	0.377	0.783	1.064	0.038	1
H4_Q	0.135	0.427	0.791	0.154	1
LN4_Q	0.260	0.602	0.951	0.089	1
G4_Q	0.134	0.436	0.741	0.155	1
QE4_Q	0.079	0.166	0.361	0.150	1
P4_Q	0.125	0.441	0.881	0.132	1
L4_Q	0.114	0.427	0.789	0.130	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Vahter et al. (2020) full developmental score, mothers u-tiAs at GW 8, BMR 5%**Data Description**

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Full.development.score

Data used for analysis:

Exposure	Full.development.score	SD	N
1.53	141	34	294
1.89	135	33	293
2.47	126	34	294
4.62	127	31	293
7.02	132	31	293

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.05.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 127; the most likely: 141; max: 155. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Check for constant variance coefficient of variation

Distributional assumption of constant variance is met, Bartlett test p-value is 0.2801

Distributional assumption of constant variance (on log-scale) is met, Bartlett test p-value is 0.1741

Goodness of Fit

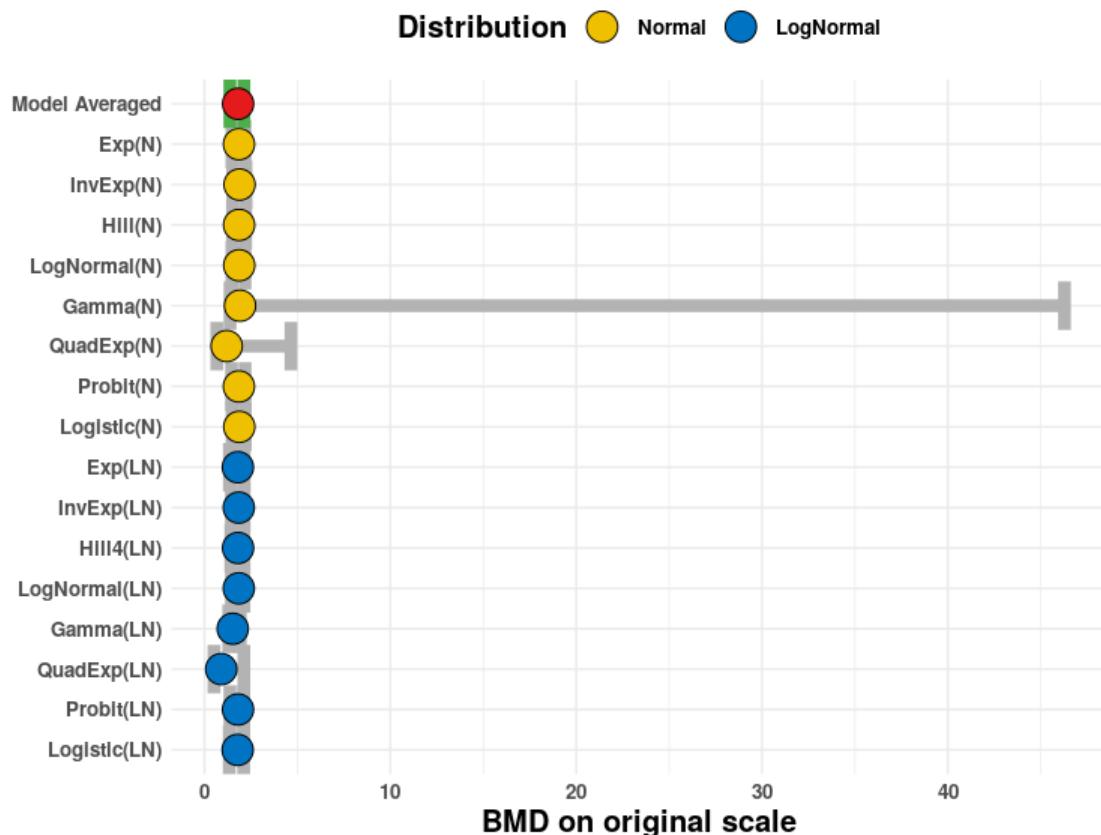
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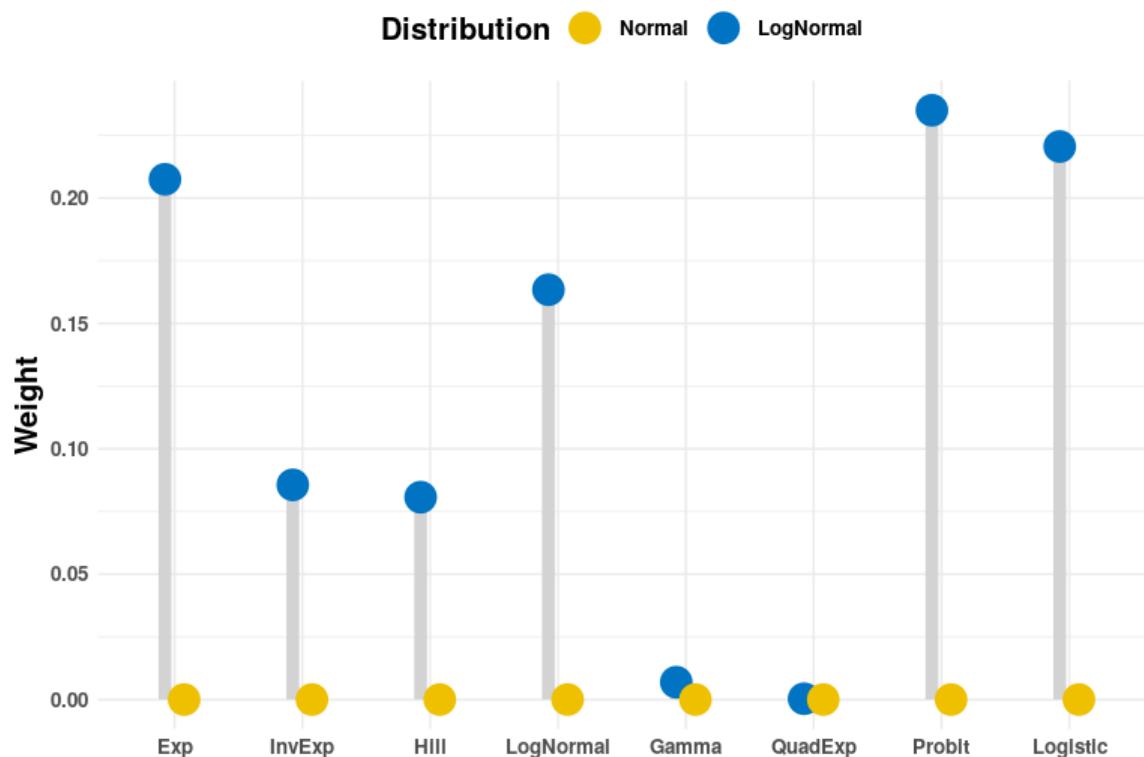
Model Averaged BMD

	Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS		1.364	1.806	2.118

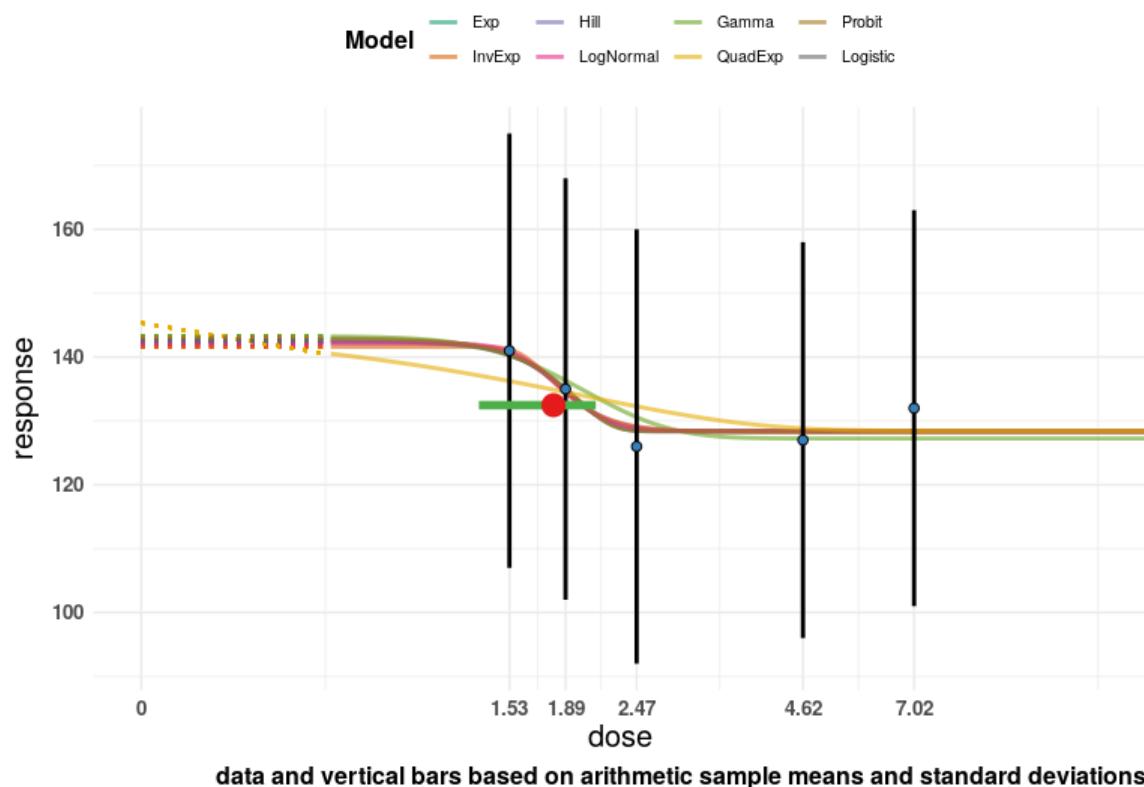
Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_N	1.474	1.853	2.174	0.000	1
IE4_N	1.515	1.882	2.228	0.000	1
H4_N	1.503	1.859	2.212	0.000	1
LN4_N	1.475	1.866	2.177	0.000	1
G4_N	1.372	1.910	46.277	0.000	0
QE4_N	0.659	1.193	4.652	0.000	1
P4_N	1.454	1.849	2.181	0.000	1
L4_N	1.483	1.869	2.191	0.000	1
E4_LN	1.337	1.794	2.133	0.207	1
IE4_LN	1.446	1.844	2.126	0.086	1
H4_LN	1.412	1.804	2.120	0.081	1
LN4_LN	1.448	1.844	2.120	0.163	1
G4_LN	1.301	1.517	1.924	0.007	0
QE4_LN	0.508	0.897	2.116	0.000	1
P4_LN	1.365	1.801	2.114	0.235	1
L4_LN	1.329	1.782	2.105	0.221	1

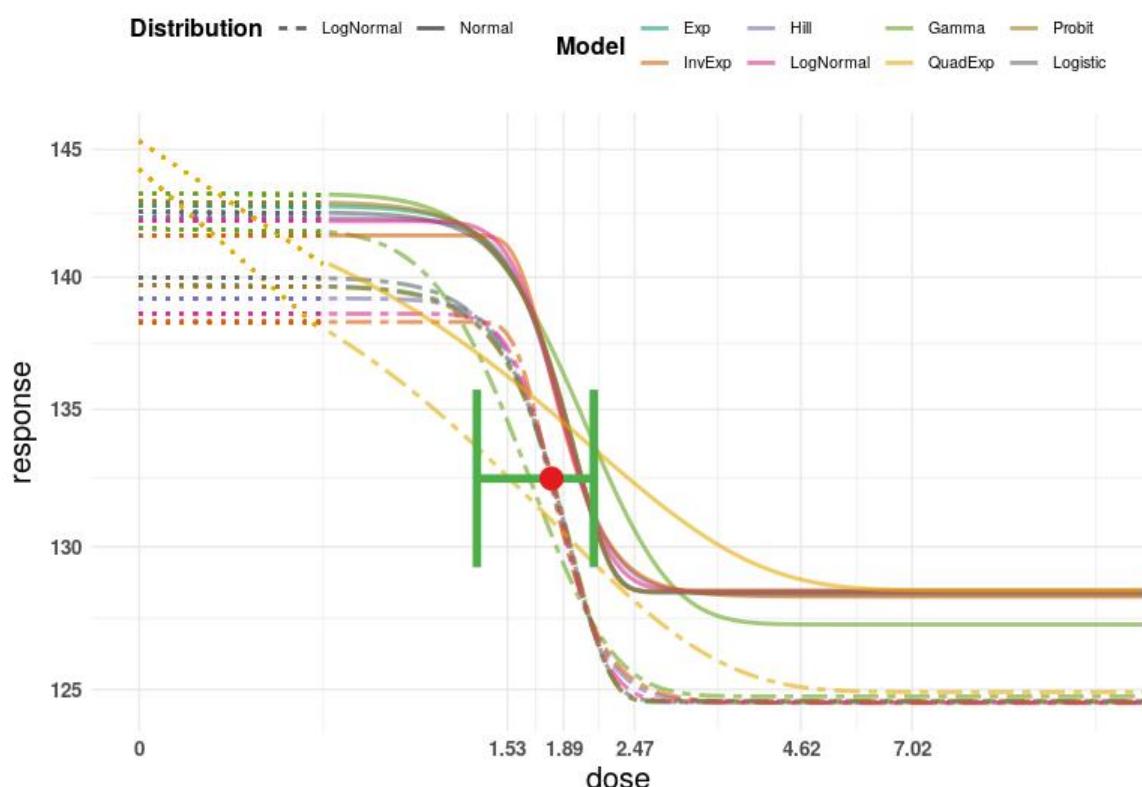
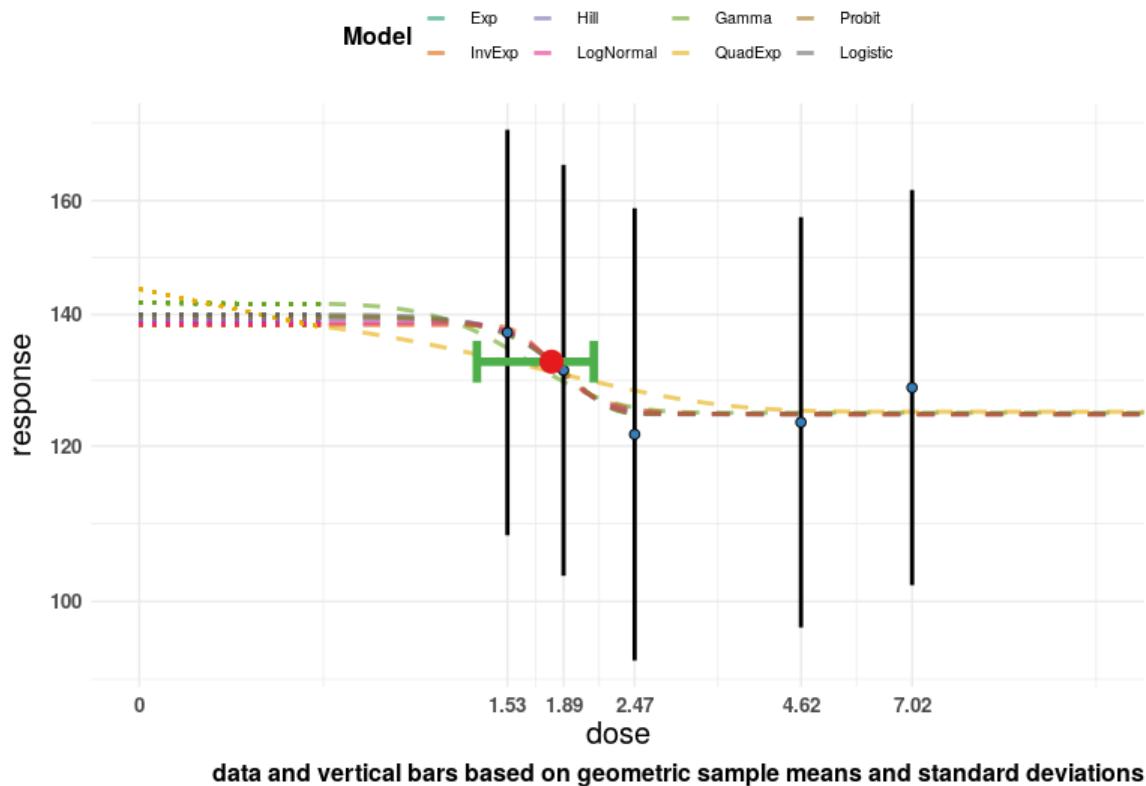
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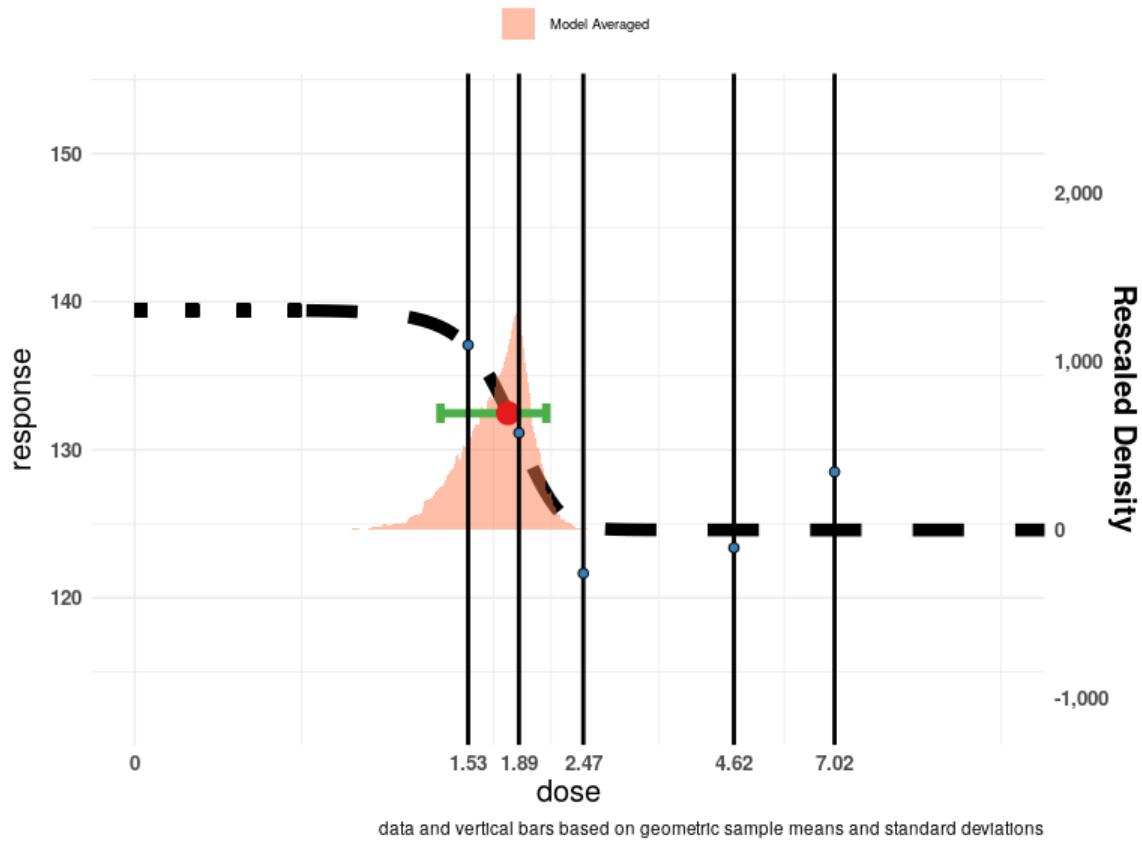


Normal distribution



LogNormal distribution





Vahter et al. (2020), full developmental score, children u-tiAs 10 years, BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Full.development.score

Data used for analysis:

Exposure	Full.development.score	SD	N
0.98	141	34	305
1.57	135	33	305
2.49	126	34	304
4.52	127	31	305
11.52	132	31	304

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.05.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 127; the most likely; 141; max: 155. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Check for constant variance coefficient of variation

Distributional assumption of constant variance is met, Bartlett test p-value is 0.2613

Distributional assumption of constant variance (on log-scale) is met, Bartlett test p-value is 0.1598

Goodness of Fit

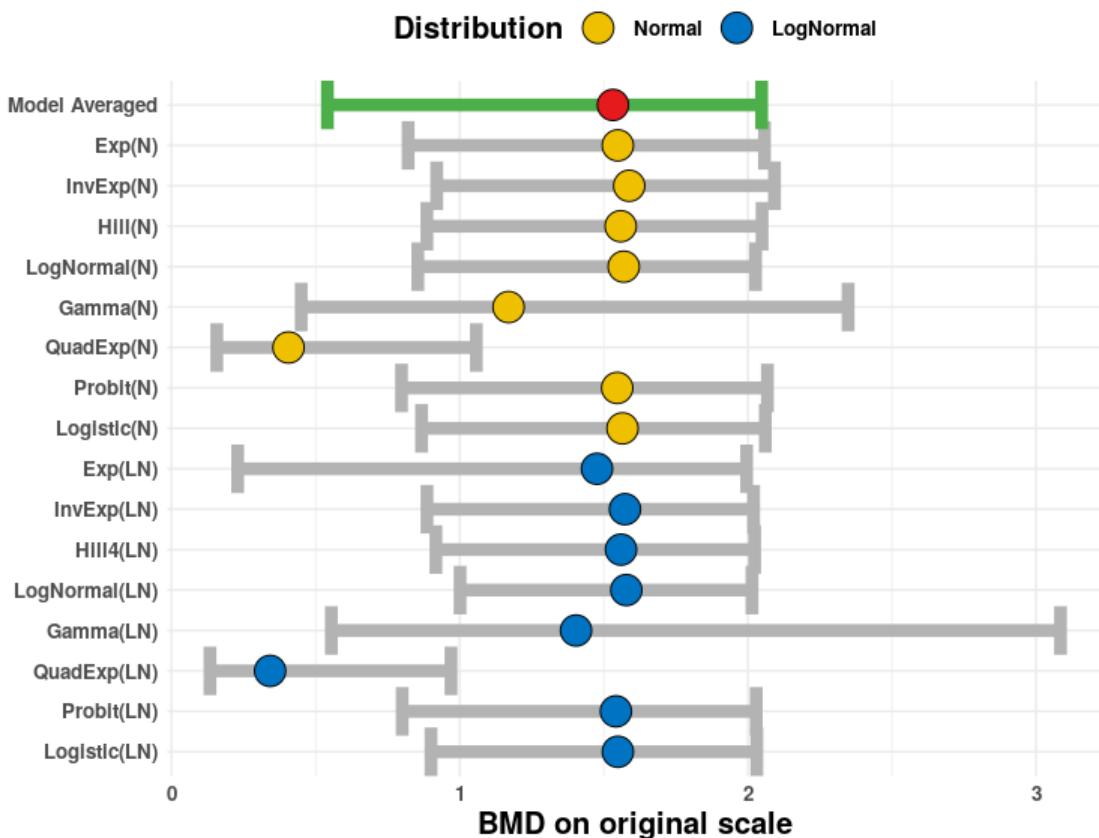
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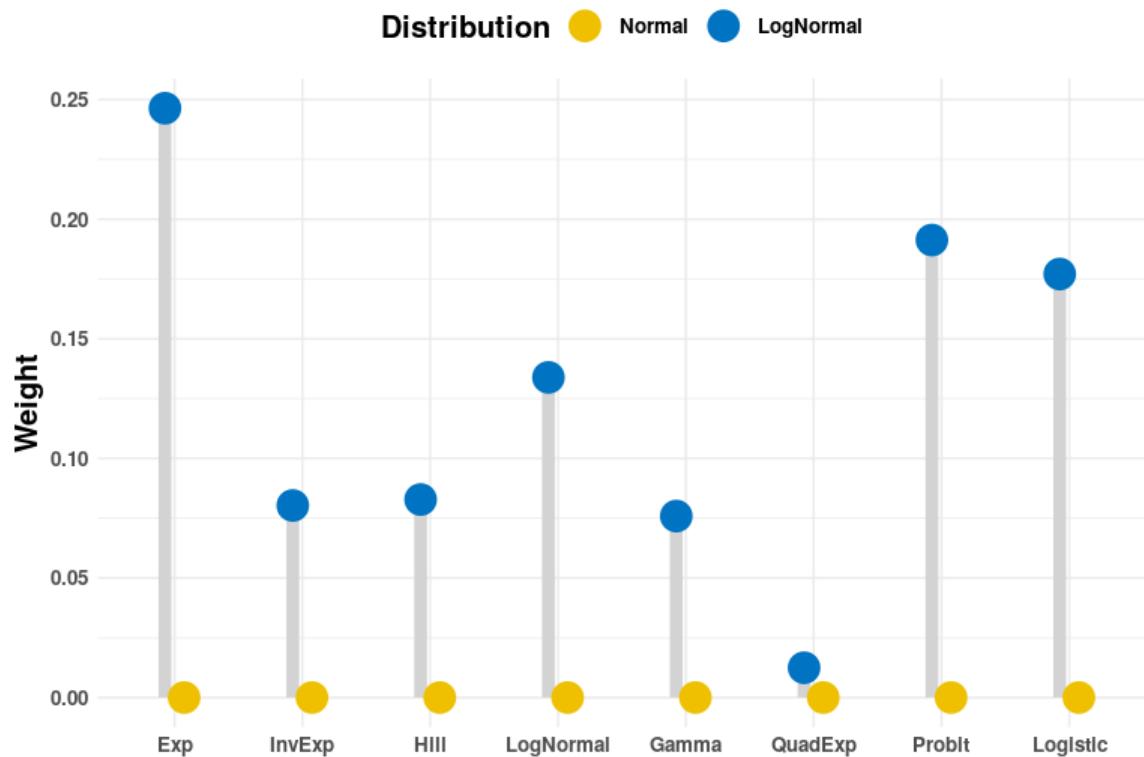
Model Averaged BMD

	Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS		0.541	1.532	2.048

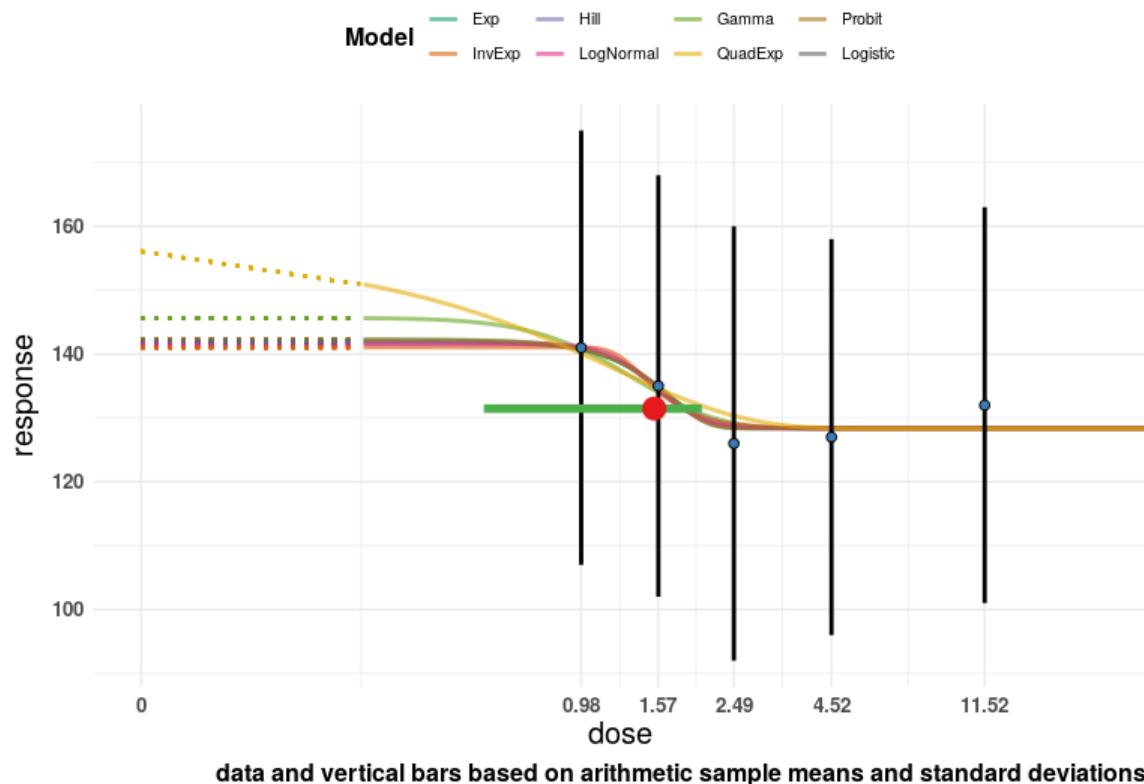
Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_N	0.821	1.549	2.058	0.000	1
IE4_N	0.920	1.588	2.093	0.000	1
H4_N	0.886	1.559	2.049	0.000	1
LN4_N	0.855	1.569	2.027	0.000	1
G4_N	0.450	1.170	2.348	0.000	0
QE4_N	0.157	0.406	1.058	0.000	1
P4_N	0.798	1.547	2.068	0.000	1
L4_N	0.868	1.565	2.061	0.000	1
E4_LN	0.229	1.476	1.996	0.246	0
IE4_LN	0.887	1.574	2.020	0.080	1
H4_LN	0.918	1.560	2.024	0.083	1
LN4_LN	1.001	1.578	2.014	0.134	1
G4_LN	0.555	1.404	3.085	0.076	0
QE4_LN	0.133	0.342	0.970	0.012	1
P4_LN	0.801	1.542	2.029	0.191	1
L4_LN	0.900	1.549	2.031	0.177	1

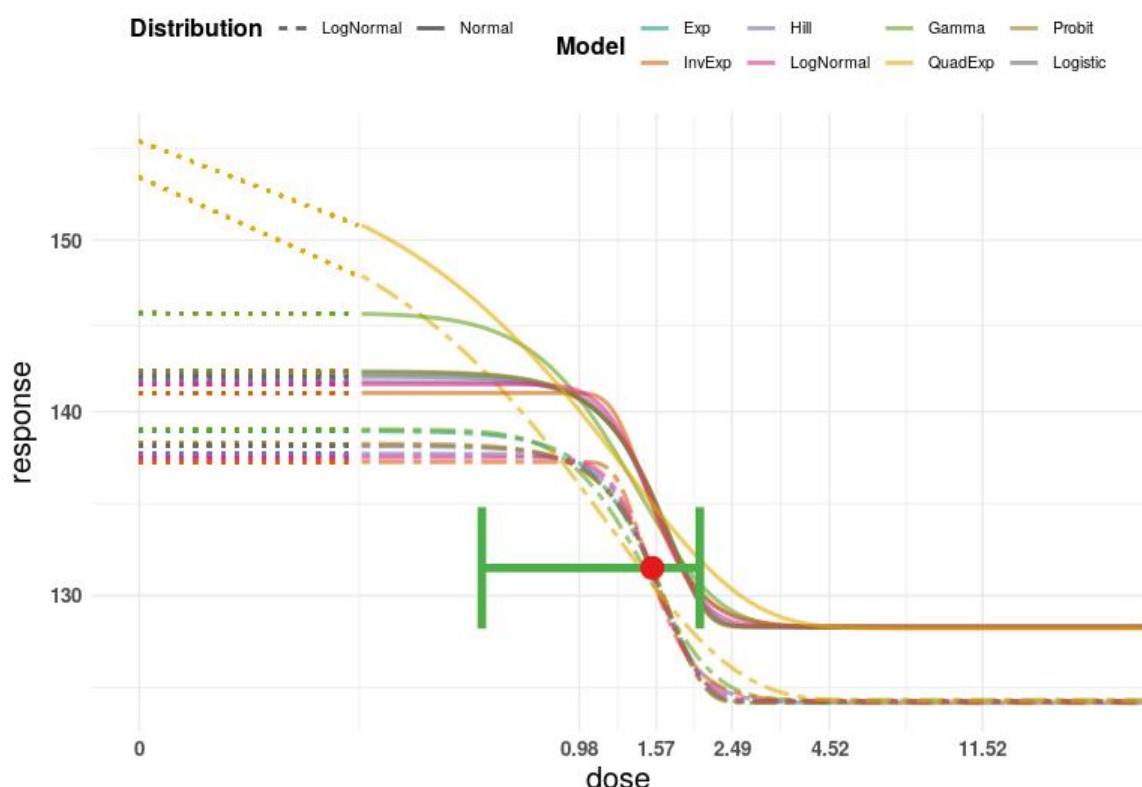
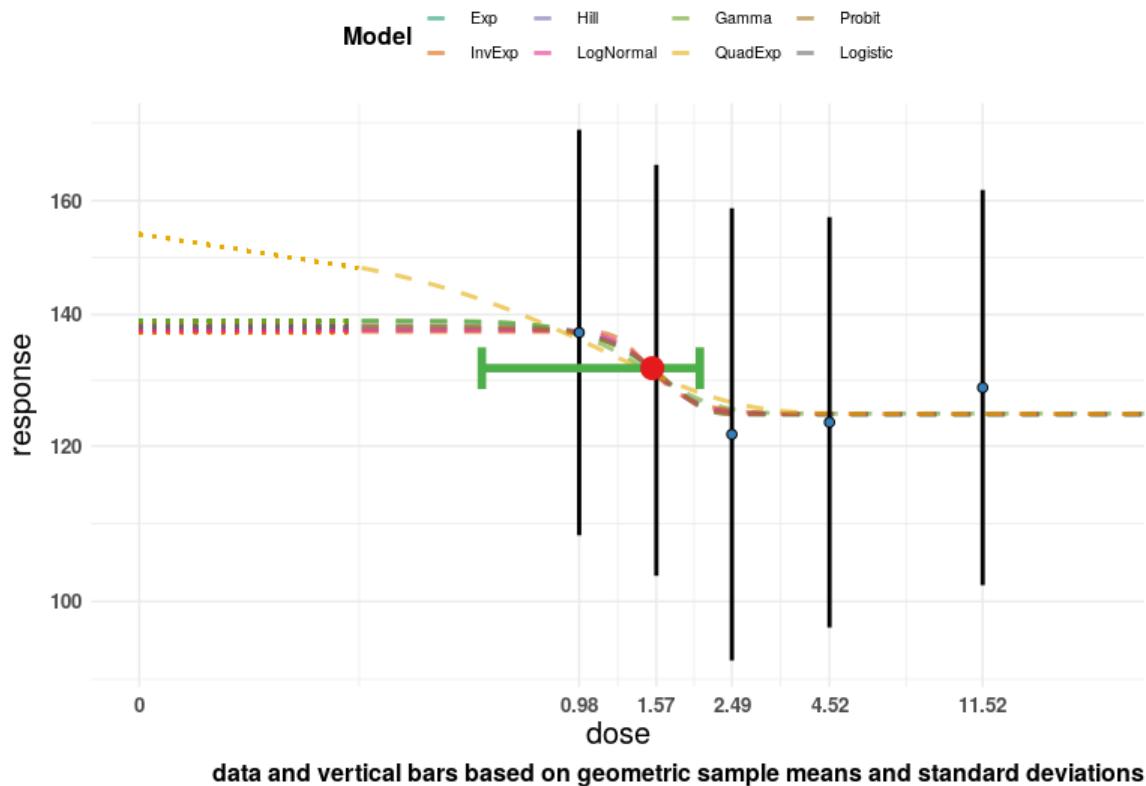
Plots of Fitted Models

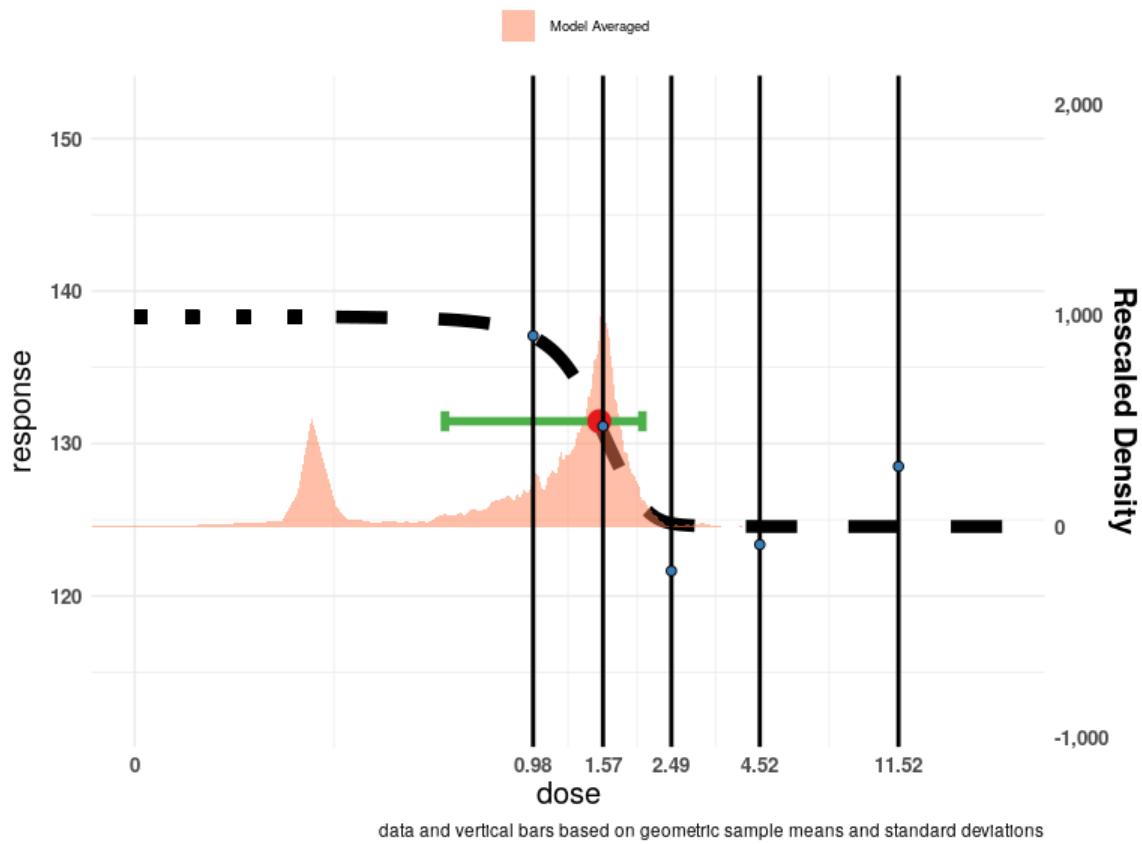


Normal distribution



LogNormal distribution





Wade et al. (2015) ischemic heart disease, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for ischemic heart disease

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.93	124	100735
2.02	146	96324
2.84	15	2941

The 'Value for CES' is set to 6.162e-05.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.00104631; the most likely: 0.00123095; max: 0.00141560. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

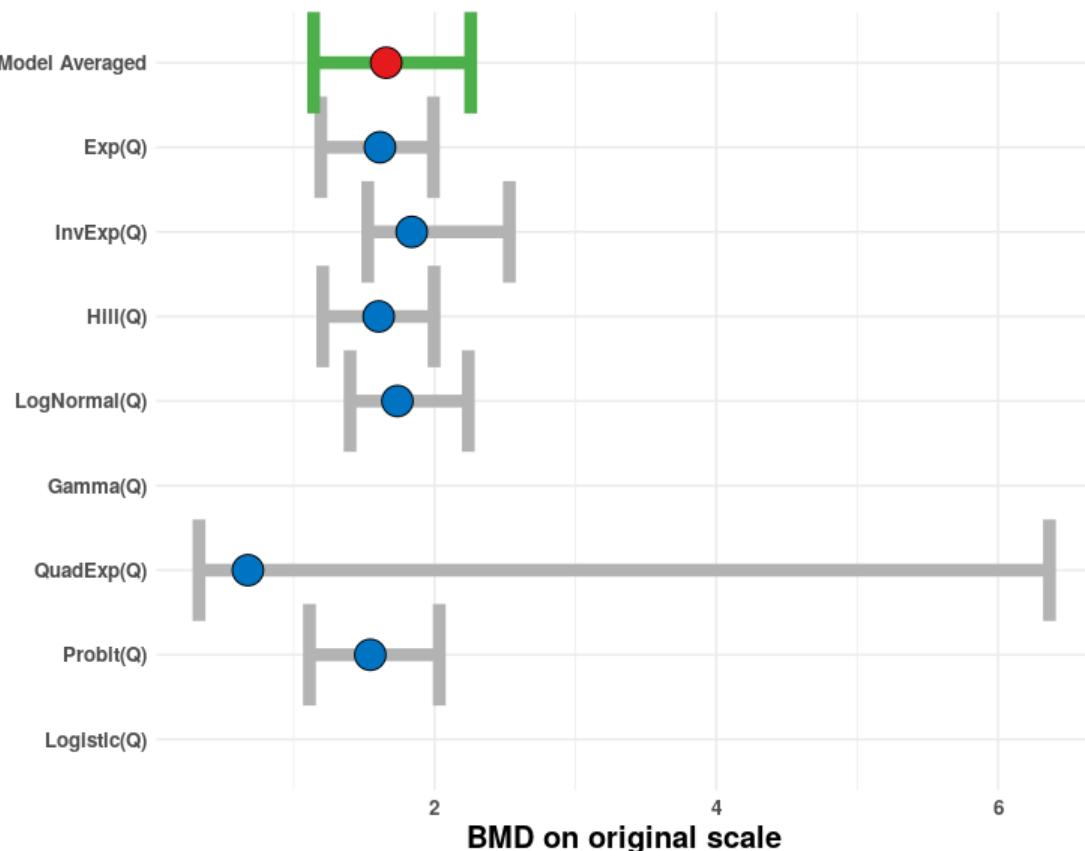
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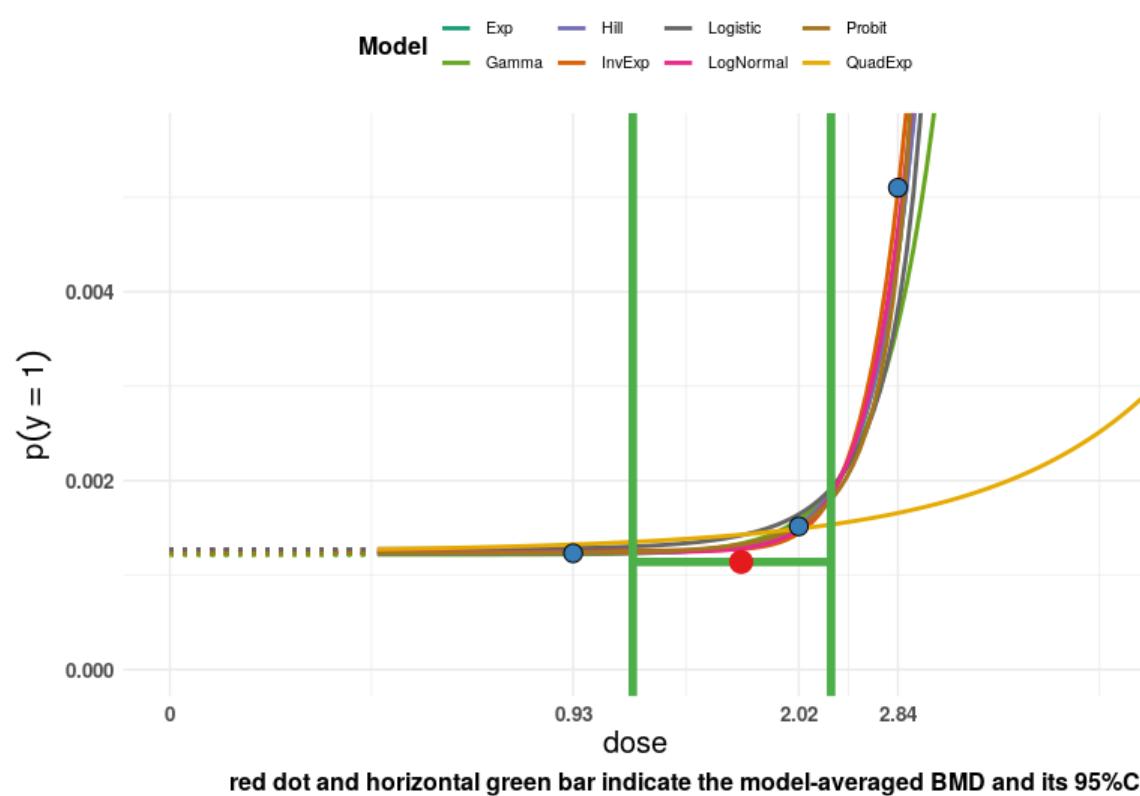
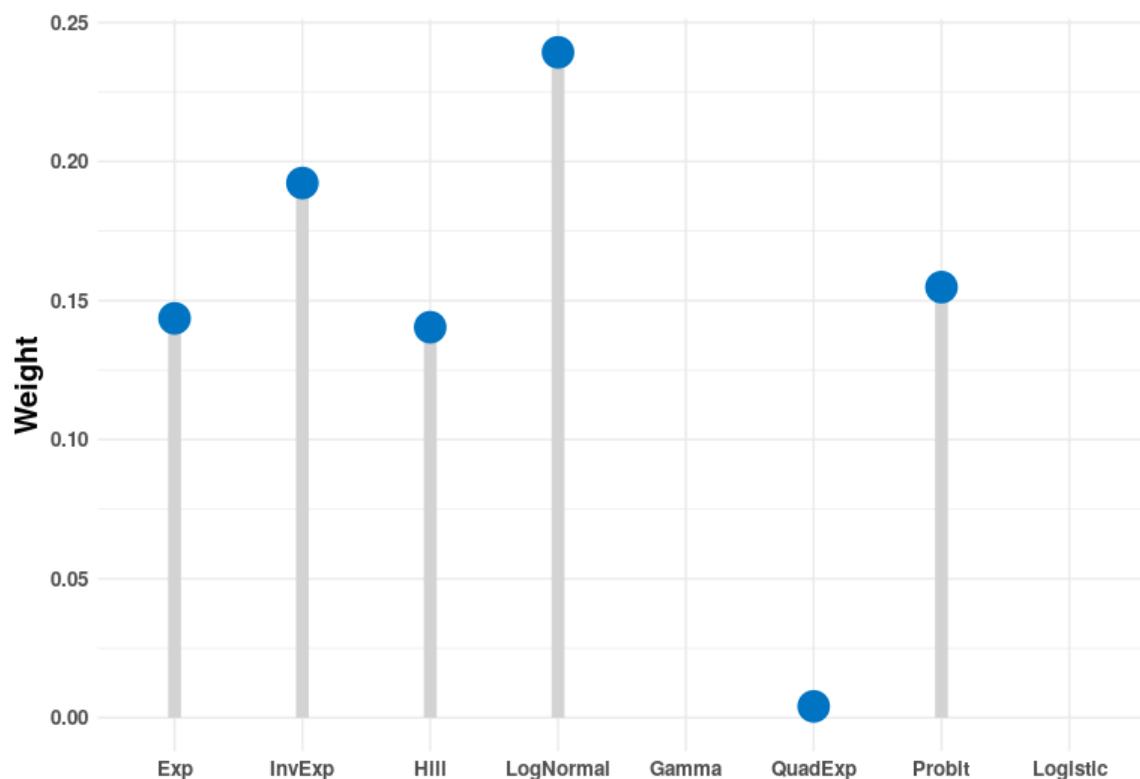
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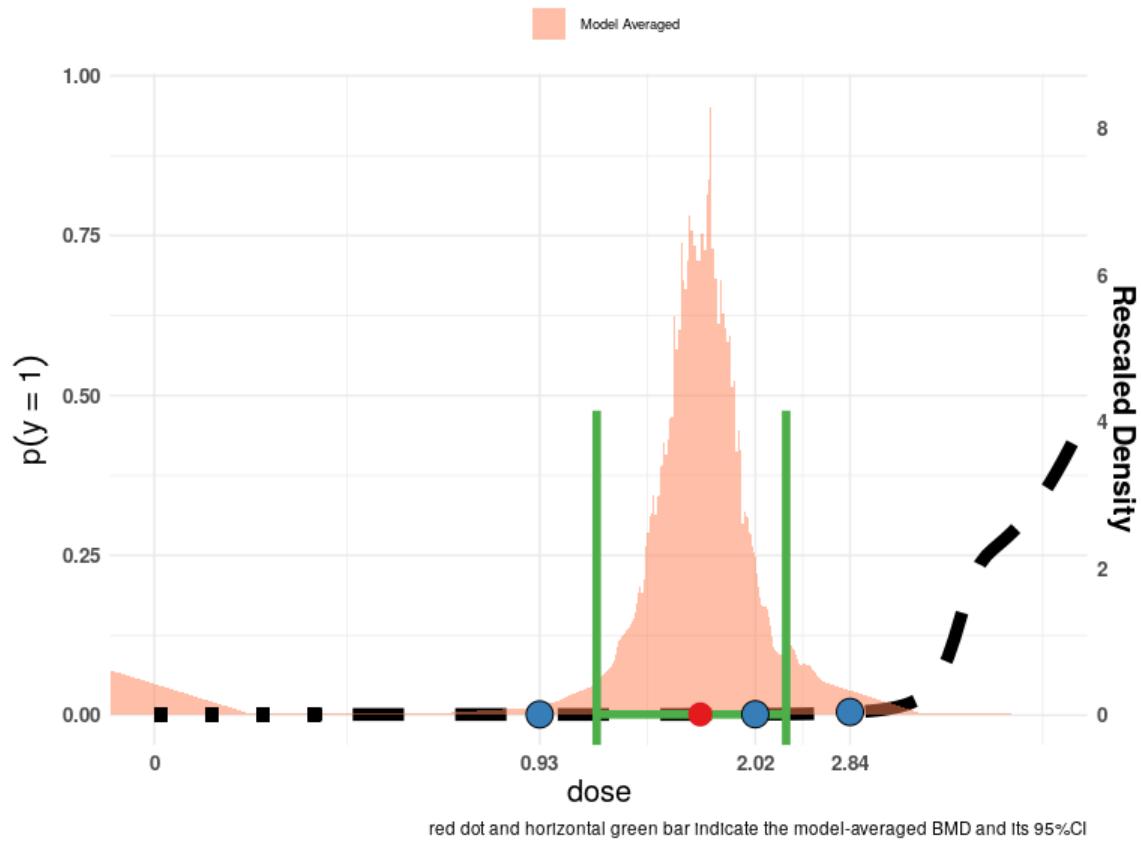
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	1.227	1.667	2.279

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	1.193	1.613	1.992	0.144	1
IE4_Q	1.526	1.838	2.532	0.192	1
H4_Q	1.207	1.604	1.997	0.140	1
LN4_Q	1.401	1.737	2.240	0.239	1
QE4_Q	0.328	0.675	6.366	0.004	1
P4_Q	1.112	1.544	2.034	0.155	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Wu et al. (2015) ischemic heart disease, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for ischemic heart disease

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
1.40	64	453
4.49	83	452
15.00	90	454

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.00822622.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.13986755; the most likely: 0.14128035; max: 0.14269316. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

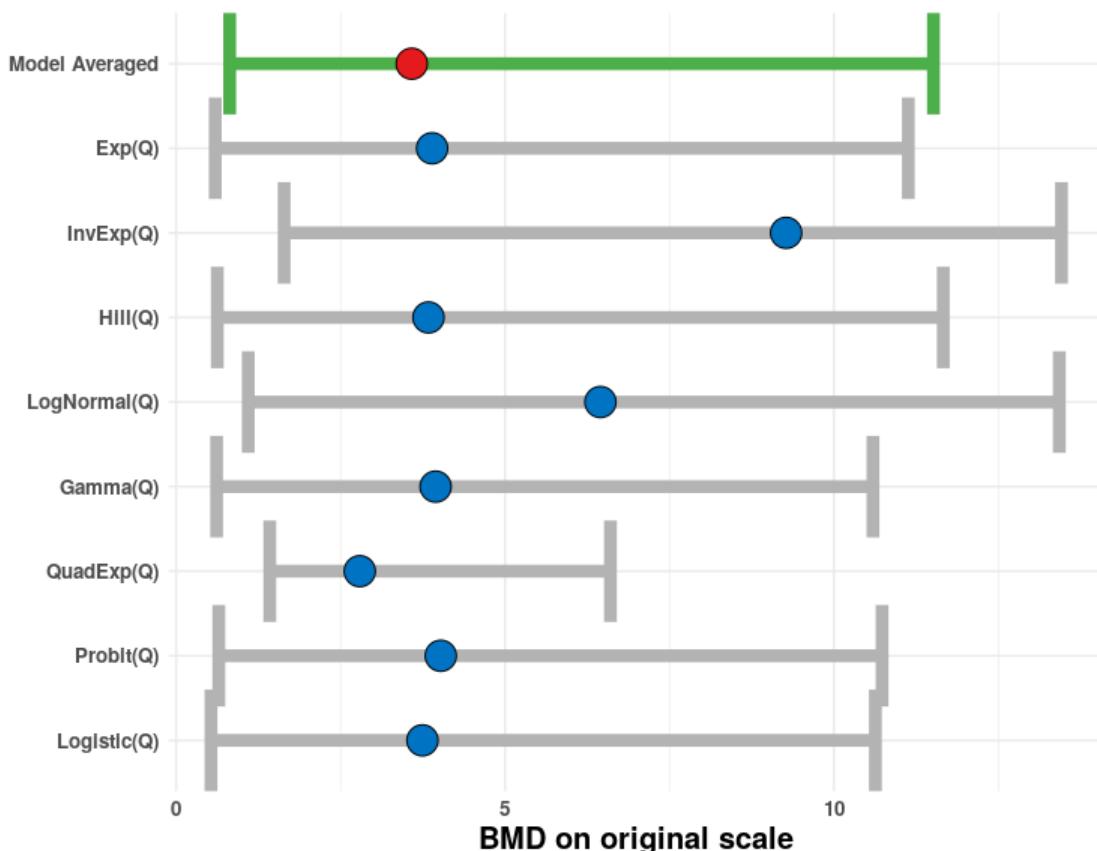
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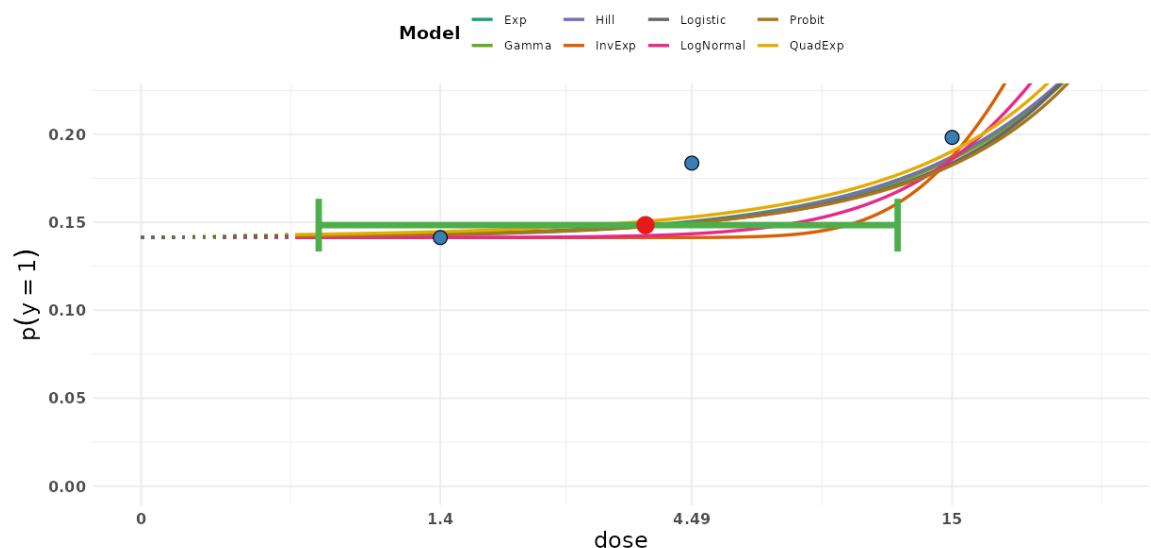
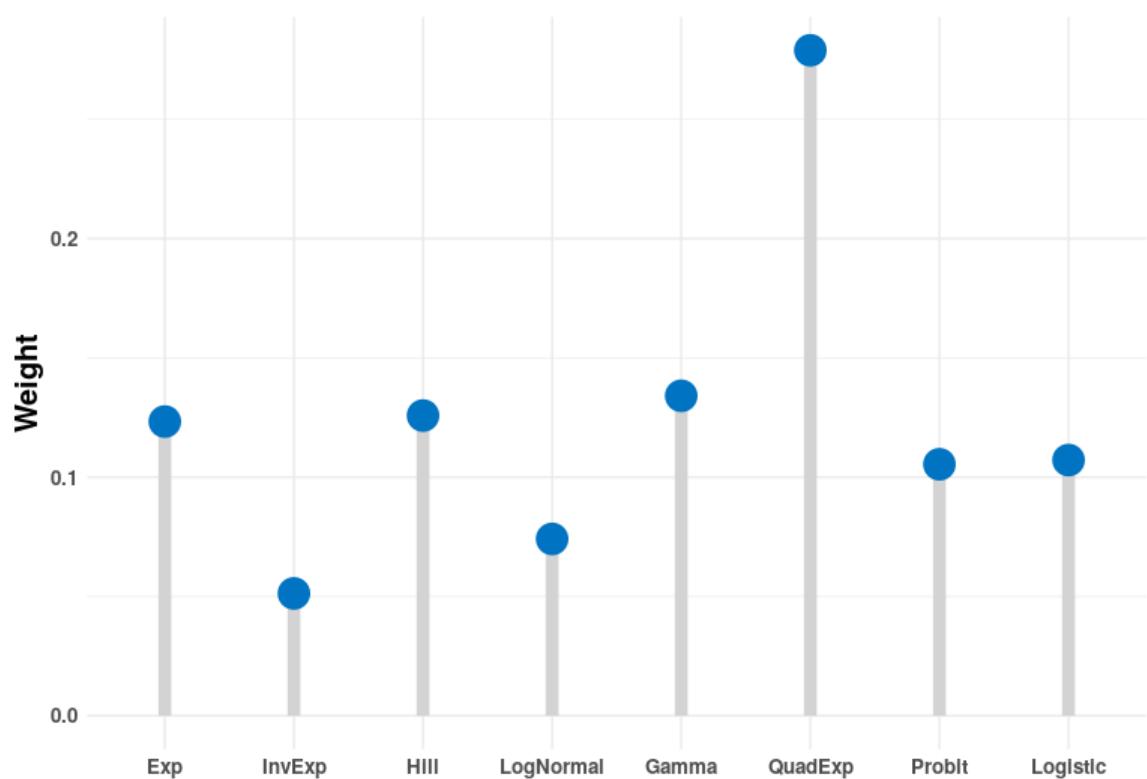
Model Averaged BMD

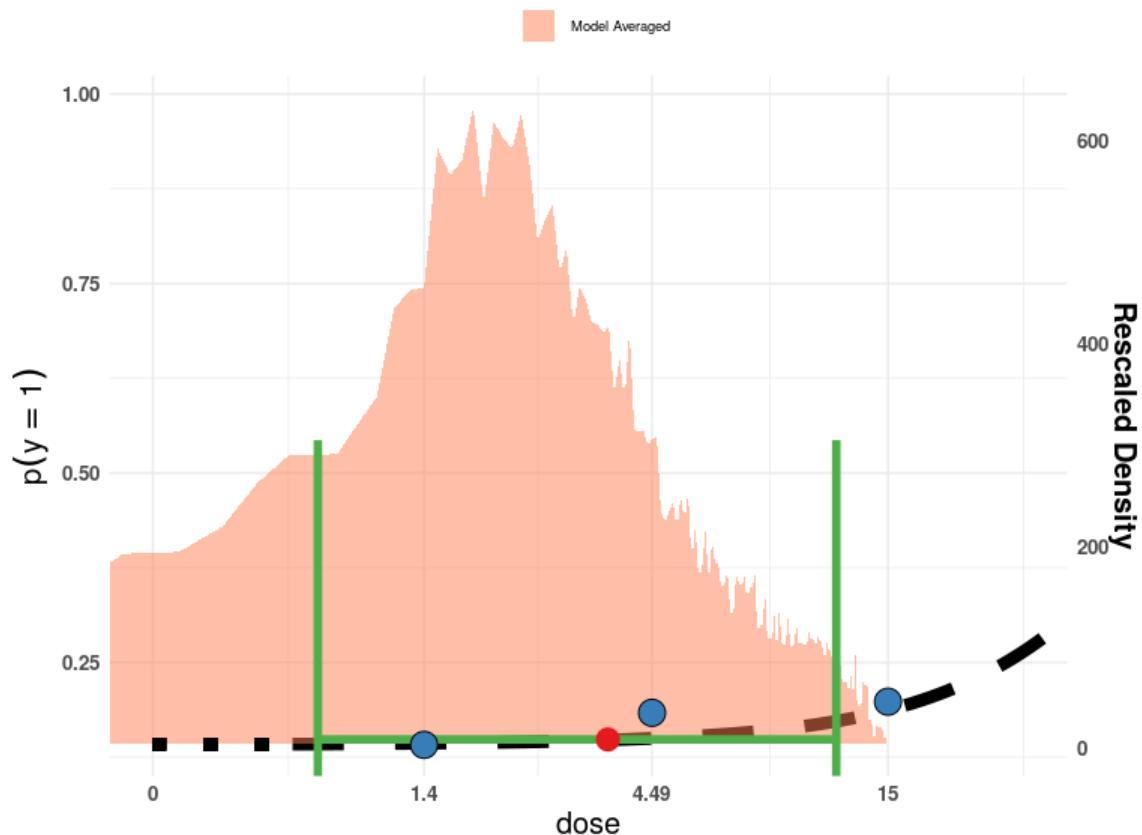
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.813	3.582	11.514

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.595	3.892	11.131	0.123	1
IE4_Q	1.642	9.274	13.460	0.051	0
H4_Q	0.626	3.836	11.663	0.126	1
LN4_Q	1.096	6.450	13.427	0.074	1
G4_Q	0.615	3.945	10.594	0.134	1
QE4_Q	1.423	2.792	6.603	0.279	1
P4_Q	0.649	4.023	10.733	0.105	1
L4_Q	0.530	3.744	10.631	0.107	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Xia et al. (2009) skin lesions, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for skin lesions

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.79	52	3215
1.07	33	845
1.48	56	1277
2.57	206	3429
4.75	137	1537
11.57	127	1021
17.02	10	92

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.000822.

Extended dose range is applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.01536547; the most likely: 0.01617418; max: 0.01698289. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

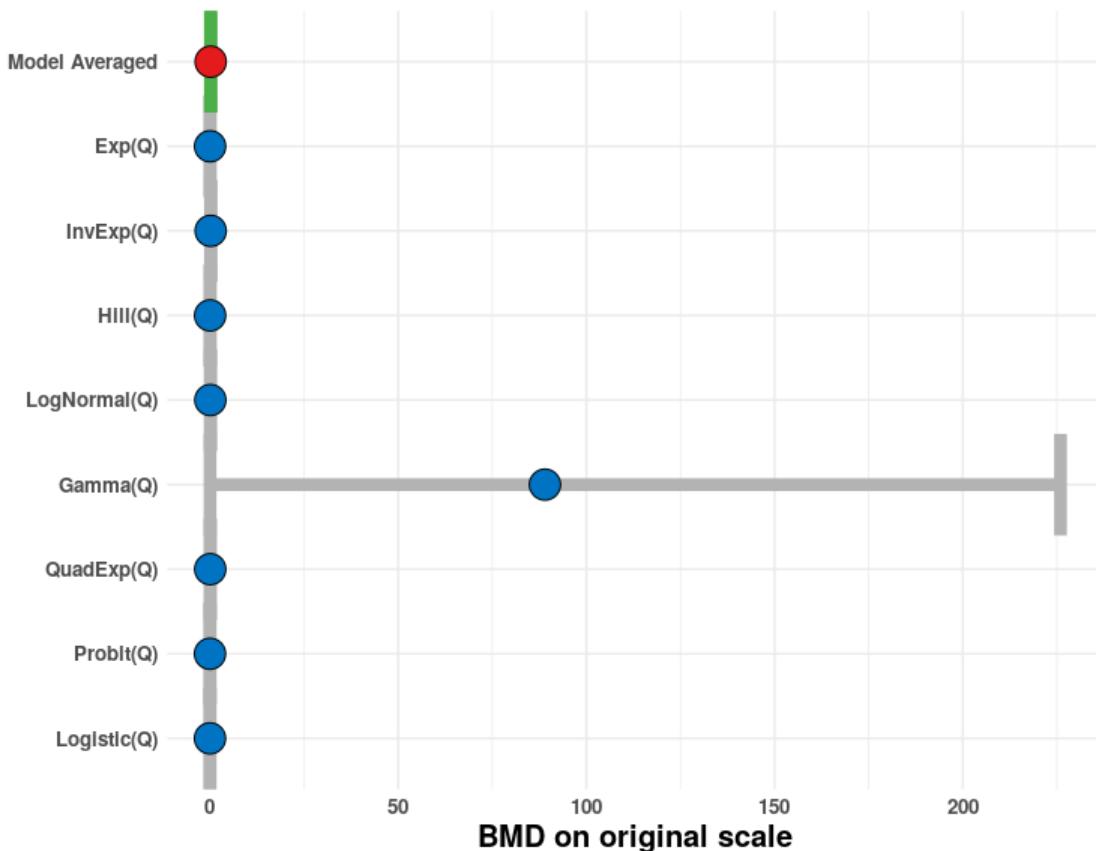
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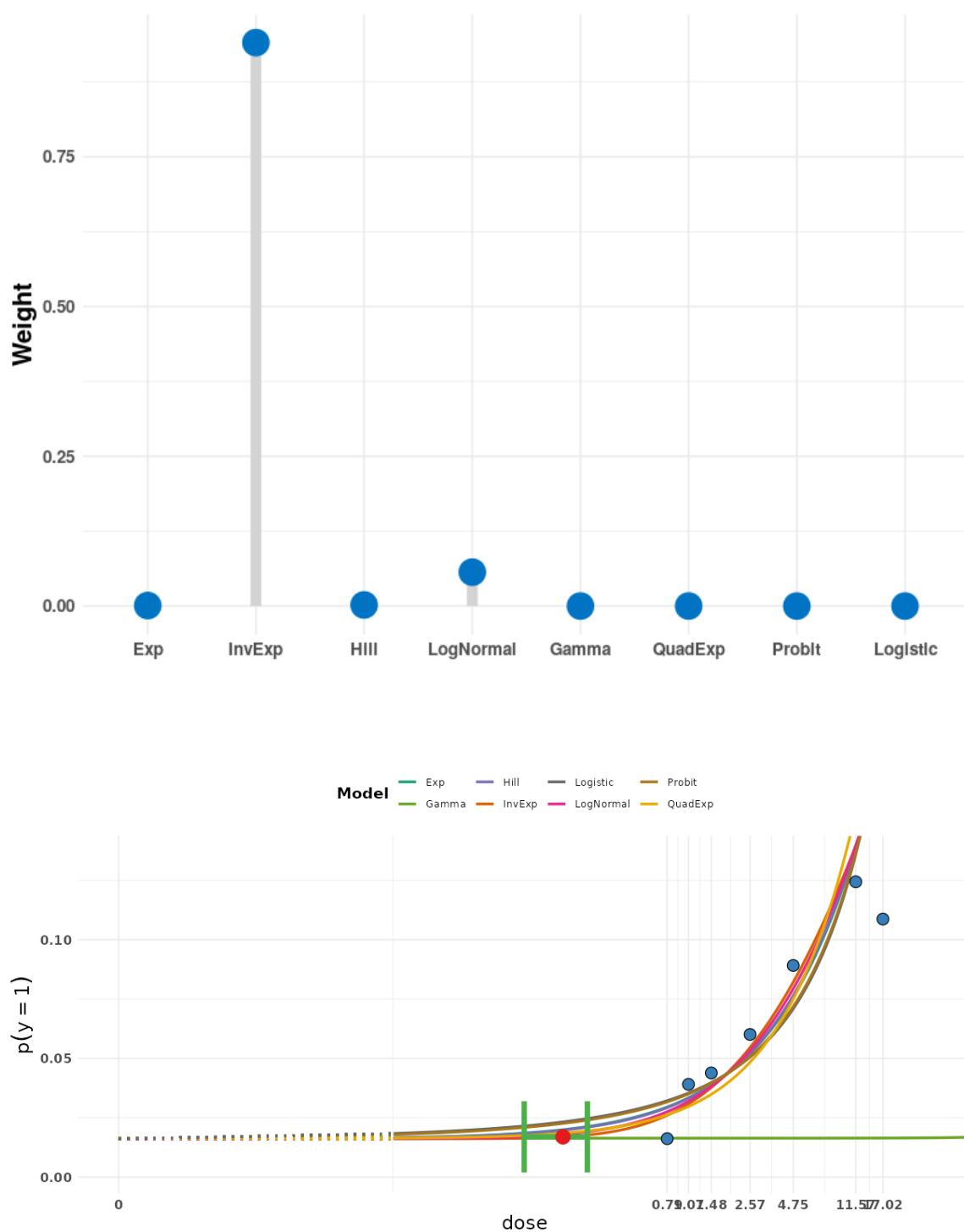
Model Averaged BMD

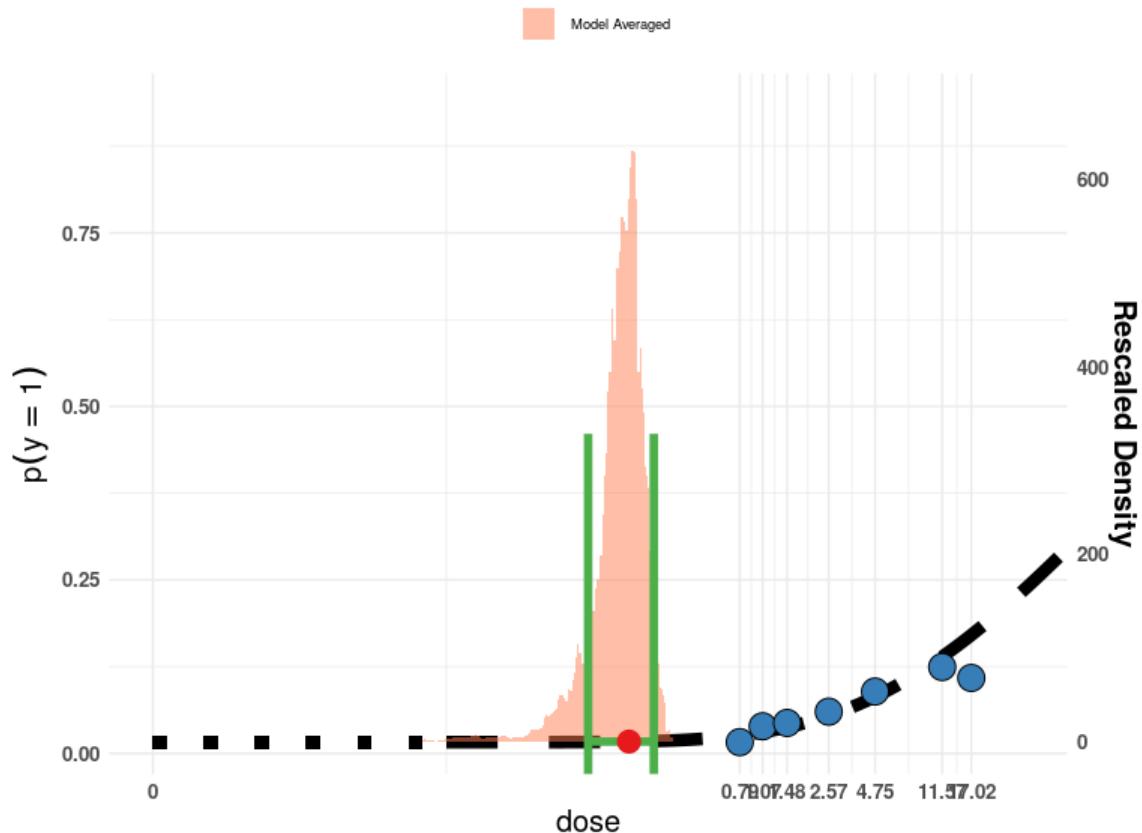
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Model Averaged	BS		0.106	0.182	0.253

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.015	0.028	0.049	0.001	1
IE4_Q	0.124	0.184	0.253	0.941	1
H4_Q	0.017	0.033	0.056	0.002	1
LN4_Q	0.059	0.097	0.145	0.057	1
G4_Q	0.018	88.990	225.952	0.000	0
QE4_Q	0.058	0.063	0.070	0.000	1
P4_Q	0.001	0.003	0.007	0.000	1
L4_Q	0.001	0.002	0.004	0.000	1

Plots of Fitted Models





Zheng et al. (2015) chronic kidney disease, relative BMR 5%

Data Description

The endpoint to be analyzed is: Adj.cases for chronic kidney disease

Data used for analysis:

Exposure. $\mu\text{g}.\text{kg}.\text{bw}.\text{per}.\text{day}$	Adj.cases	N
0.061	101	772
0.160	113	781
0.260	124	784
0.350	164	782

The 'Value for CES' is set to 0.00752608.

Extended dose range is not applied.

Informative background prior: min: 0.12952073; the most likely: 0.13082902; max: 0.13213731. Shape parameter is applied.

The 'Sampling Method' is set to Bridge Sampling.

Results

Information pertaining to this endpoint.

Goodness of Fit

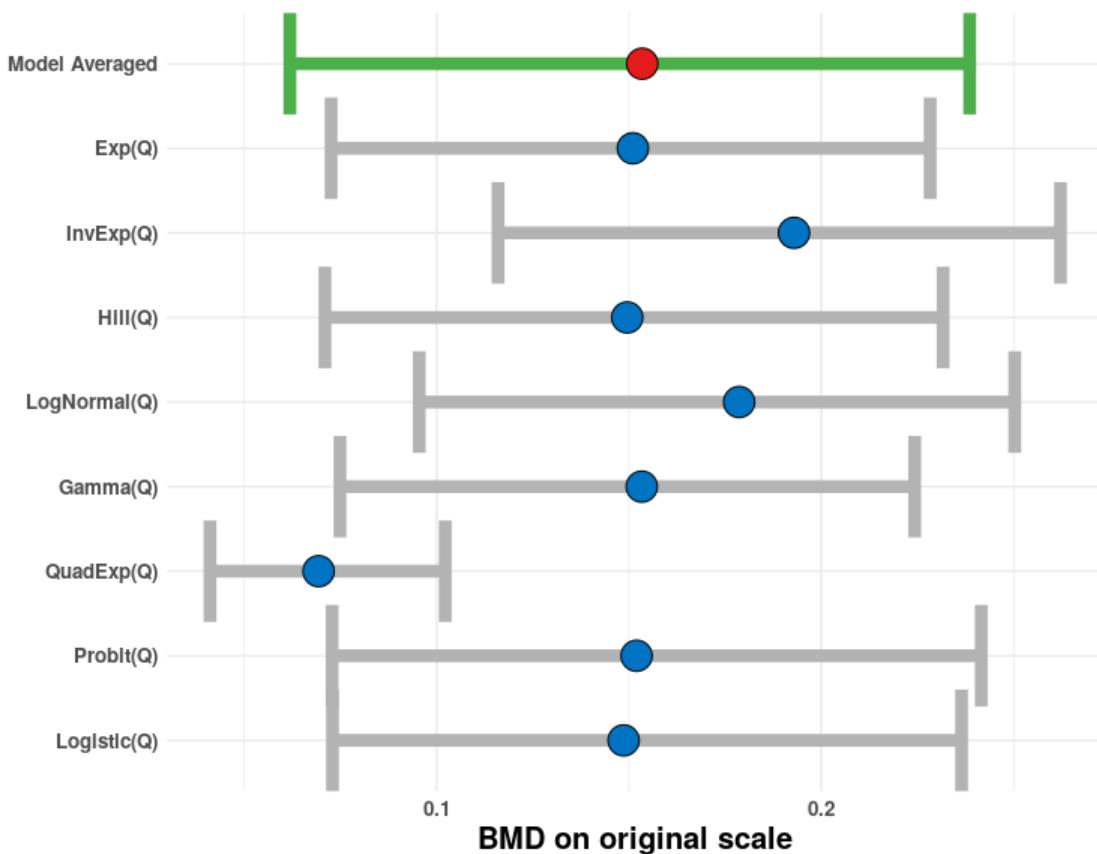
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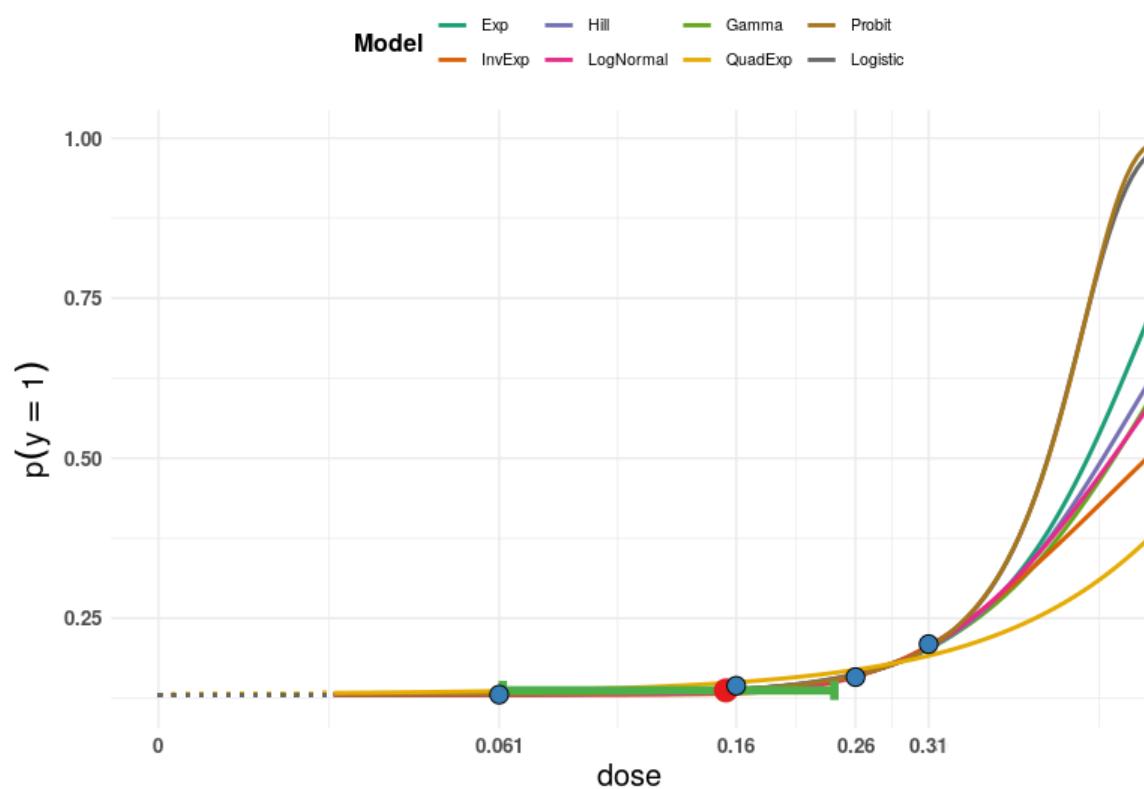
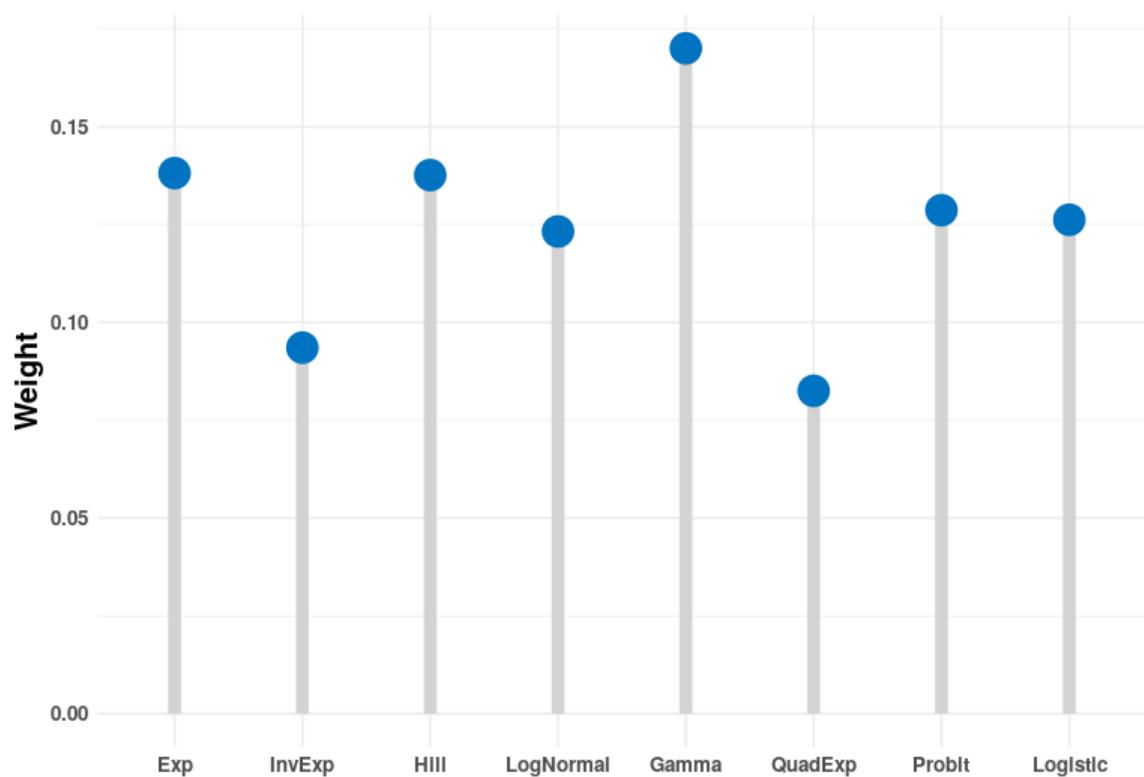
Model Averaged BMD

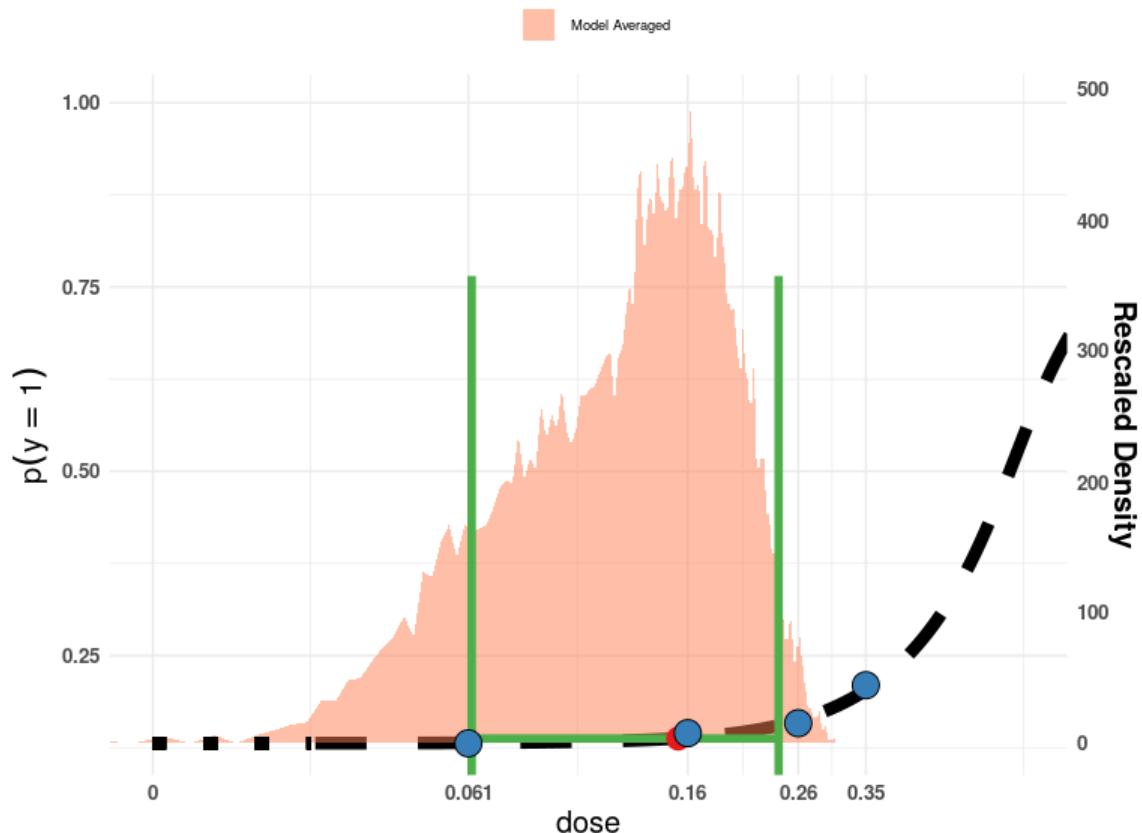
Model	Type	BMDL	BMD	BMDU
Model Averaged	BS	0.062	0.153	0.239

Estimated BMDs per model

Model	BMDL	BMD	BMDU	Model Weights	Converged
E4_Q	0.073	0.151	0.228	0.138	1
IE4_Q	0.116	0.193	0.262	0.094	1
H4_Q	0.071	0.150	0.232	0.138	1
LN4_Q	0.096	0.179	0.250	0.123	1
G4_Q	0.075	0.153	0.224	0.170	1
QE4_Q	0.041	0.069	0.102	0.083	1
P4_Q	0.073	0.152	0.242	0.129	1
L4_Q	0.073	0.149	0.236	0.126	1

Plots of Fitted Models





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