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A: Lung deposition patterns

Lung deposition patterns were calculated using Mimetikos Preludium inbult deposition functions parameterized as in Table A1. Parameters were selected to represent a healthy subject inhaling at flow and particle size distribution ranges covering a typical product types on market (nebulizers, pressurized metered dose inhalers (pMDI's) and dry powder inhalers (DPI's)).

Table A1: Parametrization of Deposition model

Parameter	Value	Comment/Source			
Lung Model	Weibel	[3]			
Large conducting airways (BB)	Generation 0-8	[3]			
Small conducting airways (bb)	Generation 9-16	[3]			
Respiratory region (AI)	Generation 17-23	[3]			
Functional Residual Capacity	3300 L	[4]			
Deposition model (mouth-throat)	DeHaan	[1]			
Deposition model (Lung)	NCRP	[2]			
Bolus Volume	450 mL				
Tidal Volume	1500 mL				
Breath Hold	10s				
Inspiratory Flow	15-90 L/min				
Expiratory Flow	= Inspiratory Flow				
Mass Median Aerodynamic Diameter	1-6 μm				
Geometric Standard Deviation	2				
Coarse fraction	0%				

Figure A1 depicts the simulated lung deposition patterns expressed as the ratio of conducting airway dose Bb (BB+bb) over total lung dose (LD) (Figure A1A), and as the ratio of large conducting airway dose (BB) over small conducting airway dose (bb) (Figure 1B).

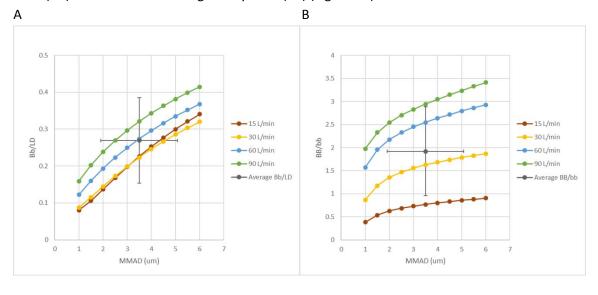


Figure A1: Simulated lung deposition expressed as conducting airway deposition over total lung deposition Bb/LD (**A**), and large conductiong airway deposition over small airway deposition BB/bb (**B**) as a function of the mass median aerodynamic diameter (MMAD) at inhalation flows ranging from 15 L/min to 90 L/min). The black marker represents the global arithmetic mean \pm SD.

As expected, there is an increase in both total airway deposition (Figure A1A) and large airway deposition (Figure A1B) fractions as impaction of aersol increases with increased inhalation flow and MMAD. The average airway deposition is about 27% of the total lung deposition (Figure A1A) and it is roughly divided 2:1 between large and small airways (Figure A1B). However, given the attributes of real products on market, all combinations of MMAD and inhalation flow cannot be regarded as likely. For example, large MMAD's around 5-6 μ m are normally associated with nebulizer products inhaled at tidal flows < 20 L/min), whereas low resistance dry powder inhalers inhaled at 90 L/min normally have MMAD's around 2-3 μ m. For the purpose of understanding the sensitivity of the modelling outcomes to variations M_{Bb}/M_{Al} ratio, model outcomes were generated for all Cs, lung dose and P_{eff} combinations in Table 2 as the average of three different deposition ratios (4:6, 3:7 and 2:8), representing a range of deposition outcomes that includes the majority of the flow and MMAD combinations depicted in Figure A1A.

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B: Dose, solubility and effective pulmonary permeability for some marketed drug products

Table B1 summarizes data on nominal doses, water solubility and effective permeability (P_{eff}) for some commercial inhaled medicines. The products selected are dry powder inhalers (DPI's), pressurized metered dose inhalers (pMDI's) or soft mist inhalers and as such the actual lung deposited doses are likely to be significantly lower than the nominal doses (<50%). Hence dose numbers for the lung ($D_{O,Lung}$) were calculated based on the assumption that the lung dose would be 50% of the nominal. This is likely to still result in an overestimation of the dose number. Data on aqueous solubility (PBS, pH7.4) and P_{eff} were sourced from literature. Aqueous solubility may be an underestimate of actual ELF solubility (given its high lipid content). Hence, the Do-numbers in table B1 may be overestimated. As can be seen from Table B1, calculated $D_{O,Lung}$ range from 1E-5 to 2.5E2 whereas P_{eff} values range from 0.5E-5 to 2E-8 cm²/s.

Table B1: Nominal Dose, Solubility, Dose numbers and Permeability for Some Marketed Drug Products

Drug	Product ¹	Nominal Dose ¹	Aqueous solubility ²	Do ³	P _{eff} ⁴
		(μg)	(μg/mL)		(E-6 cm ² /s)
Budesonide	Pulmicort Flexhaler	90	26.3 ⁵	0.17	5.2 ⁶
Fluticasone Propionate	Flovent Diskus	250	0.09^{5}	139	3.8^{6}
Fluticasone Furoate	Arnuity Ellipta	100	0.02^{5}	250	3.5^{6}
Mometasone Furoate	Asmanex HFA	100	0.26^{16}	19.2	3.8^{7}
Terbutaline	Bricanyl Turbuhaler	500	666000 ⁸	0.000038	1.4^{6}
Vilanterol Trifenetate	Anoro Ellipta	25	33 ⁹	0.04	1.1 ¹⁰
Salbutamol Sulfate	Albuterol Sulfate HFA	90	17700 ¹³	0.00025	0.82^{6}
Salmeterol Xinafoate	Serevent Diskus	50	10714	0.0234	0.86^{6}
Tiotropium Bromide	Spiriva Handihaler	18	25000 ¹⁵	0.000036	0.55^{6}
Ipratropium Bromide	Atrovent HFA	17	90000^{12}	0.0000094	0.28^{11}

- 1. Product information obtained from Drugbank https://go.drugbank.com/drugs/;
- 2. Solubility in phosphate buffered saline, pH 7.4
- 3. Do calculated as per Equation 4 in (main article) assuming lung lining fluid volume to be 10 mL [8] and lung dose to be 50% of nominal dose
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