# Vantrela™ ER (hydrocodone bitartrate) Abuse Deterrent Extended Release Tablets

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#### Introduction

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#### Vantrela™ ER: Proposed Indication

Hydrocodone bitartrate extended-release (ER) tablets are intended for the management of pain severe enough to require daily, around-the-clock, long-term opioid treatment and for which alternative treatment options are inadequate.

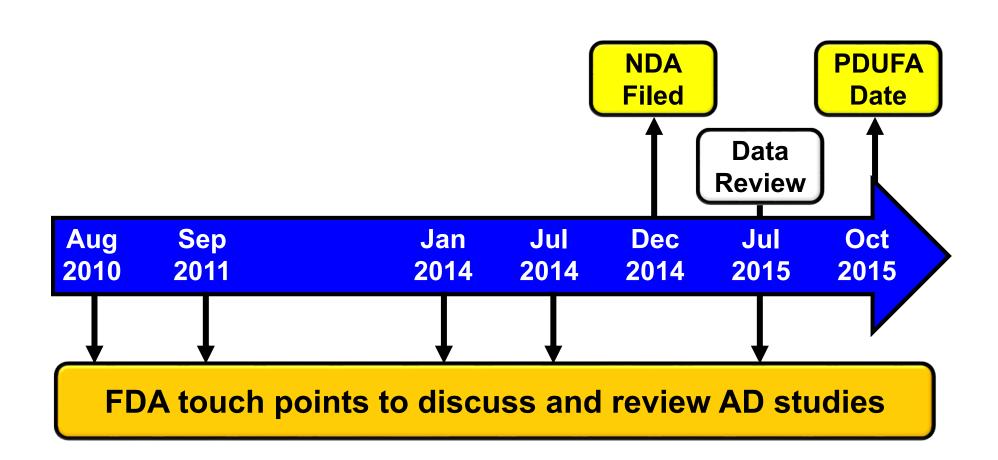
#### Vantrela ER (hydrocodone bitartrate)

- Single-entity hydrocodone product
- Taken every 12 hours (q12h)
- 15, 30, 45, 60 and 90 mg strengths
- Extended-release formulation with novel abuse-deterrent technology with 3 layers to deter abuse

#### Goal of Vantrela ER Program

- Provide ER formulation that produces effective analgesia when dosed twice daily
- Provide abuse deterrent properties to resist drug extraction via most common routes
- Abuse-deterrent properties are to meaningfully deter abuse, cannot fully prevent abuse

#### Vantrela ER Abuse-Deterrent (AD) Program Timeline



## Phase 3 Study Demonstrated Efficacy, Safety and Tolerability

- Primary endpoint of Worst Pain Intensity (WPI) achieved, demonstrating significant pain reduction compared with placebo
- No unexpected safety concerns identified
- Safety profile consistent with hydrocodone and other ER opioids

#### **Abuse-Deterrent Studies**

- Test formulation to failure
  - Physical / chemical manipulations
  - Route specific manipulations (oral, IN, IV)
- Intent for Vantrela ER is to resist conversion from ER formulation to IR formulation
- As with any ER formulation, drug will continue to release over time

### Vantrela ER Provides Significant Barriers to Deter Abuse

- Category 1
  - Physical and chemical properties expected to deter abuse via most common routes
- Category 2
  - Abuse-deterrent properties limit extent and rate of rise of drug concentration following manipulation
- Category 3
  - Reduced drug liking, expected to reduce oral and intranasal abuse

## Vantrela ER Post-Approval Alignment with FDA Opioid Action Plan

FDA Action Plan	Vantrela ER Commitment
Strengthen post-market requirements	<b>√</b>
Update REMS program	<b>√</b>
Expand access to ADFs to discourage abuse	✓
Support better treatment	✓

#### **Agenda**

Chronic Pain and Opioid Abuse	Charles Argoff, MD Professor of Neurology Director, Comprehensive Pain Center Albany Medical Center, NY
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Abuse Deterrence Studies (Category 1)	Derek Moe, PhD VP, Drug Delivery Technology Teva Pharmaceuticals
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## Need for ER/LA Opioids With ADF Technologies

#### Charles Argoff, MD

**Professor of Neurology** 

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## Balancing Access to Chronic Pain Therapy While Lessening Abuse

- Proven benefit for patients with pain disorders
- Patients need access to opioids to optimally treat chronic pain conditions
- Prescribers need to work jointly to manage risk while maintaining availability

### **Chronic Pain is a Serious Public Health Issue**

- Chronic pain affects millions of U.S. adults on a daily basis<sup>1</sup>
  - Includes conditions such as low back pain, osteoarthritis, cancer pain
- Patient centered multimodal treatment approach
  - Medical, interventional and non-interventional approaches
- Opioids may offer substantial long-term benefit and improved QoL

<sup>1.</sup> Institute of Medicine. Relieving Pain in America: A Blueprint for Transforming Prevention, Care, Education, and Research. 2011.

### Abuse and Diversion of Opioids a Public Health Issue

- Four-fold increase in deaths associated with opioids since 1999<sup>1,2</sup>
  - In 2014, 14,000 opioid overdose associated deaths in US<sup>2</sup>
- 420,000 ED visits in 2011 related to misuse or abuse of Rx opioids<sup>3</sup>
- Abuse costs payers >\$72 billion per year in direct healthcare costs<sup>4</sup>
- Need appropriate access for patients without stimulating abuse
- 1. CDC/HCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality File.
- 2. CDC National Center for Health Statistics 2016.
- 3. SAMSHA: Highlights of the 2011 Drug Abuse Warning Network (DAWN) findings on drug-related emergency department visits. 2013.
- 4. Am J Managed Care 2013.

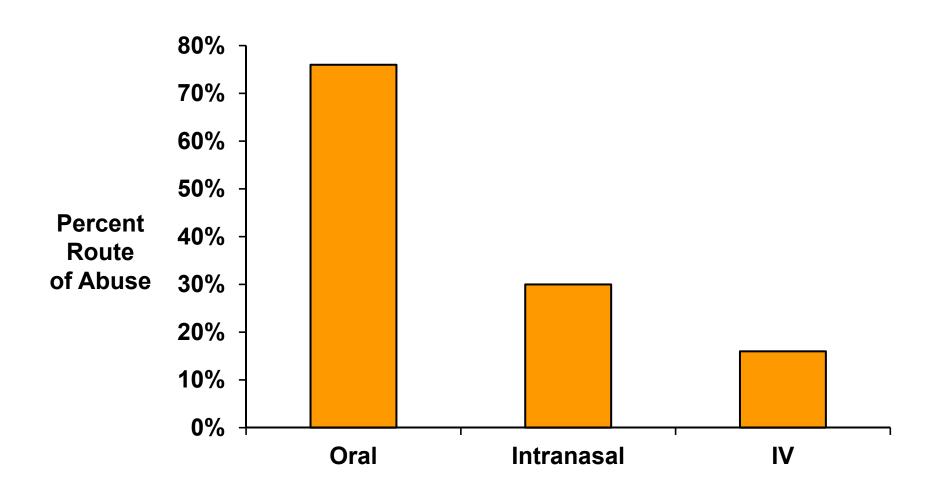
## Opioid Abusers Seek to Convert ER/LA Opioid to IR Opioid

- Physical manipulation of ER opioid is typical
  - Abusers crush and grind
  - Some seek chemical extraction with solvents
- High C<sub>max</sub> and short T<sub>max</sub>
- Many AD products rely on hardness as a physical barrier to deter abuse

## Majority of Abusers Spend < 10 Minutes Manipulating ER Opioids

- Goal of ADF is to curb abuse for majority of abusers
- All ADFs can be defeated with time and effort
- Knowing most common abuse methods allows appropriate evaluation of AD potential

### Common Routes of Abuse for ER Formulations



### Abuse-Deterrent Opioids Needed to Protect Public Health

- Abusers seek methods to defeat abusedeterrent properties
- Urgent need for improved abuse-deterrent opioids
- Value in ER abuse-deterrent opioids
- Importance of expanding access while protecting public health

#### **Efficacy and Safety**

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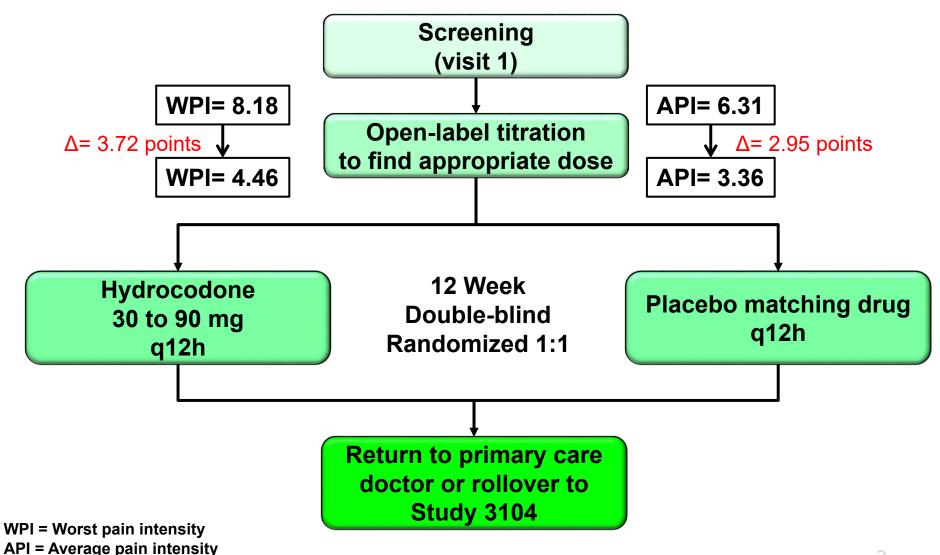
## Pivotal Study 3103: Phase 3 Safety and Efficacy

- Double-blind, placebo-controlled, randomized-withdrawal in patients with ≥ 3-month history of moderate-to-severe chronic lower back pain
- Randomized to Vantrela doses 30-90 mg q12h
  - 15 mg q12h utilized as a titration dose

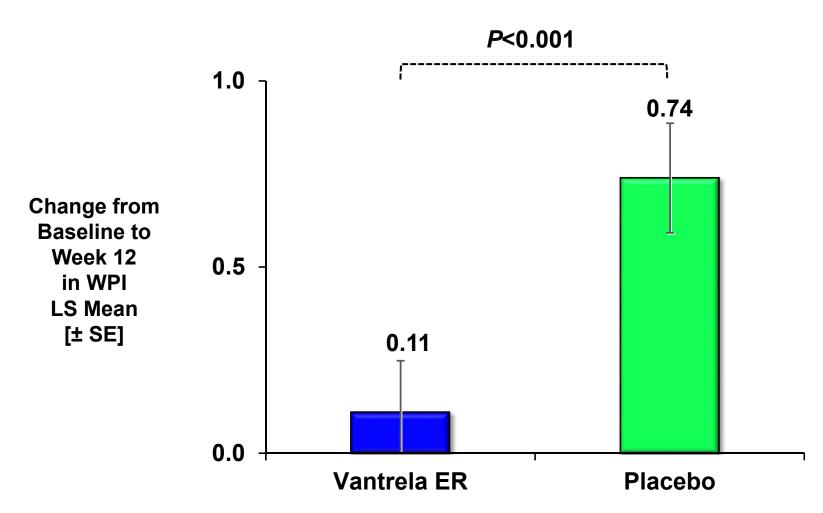
## Pivotal Study 3103: Phase 3 Safety and Efficacy

- Rescue and concomitant analgesic medication limited to immediate release hydrocodone / APAP (maximum 60 mg / 3900 mg per day)
- Study design reviewed with the FDA

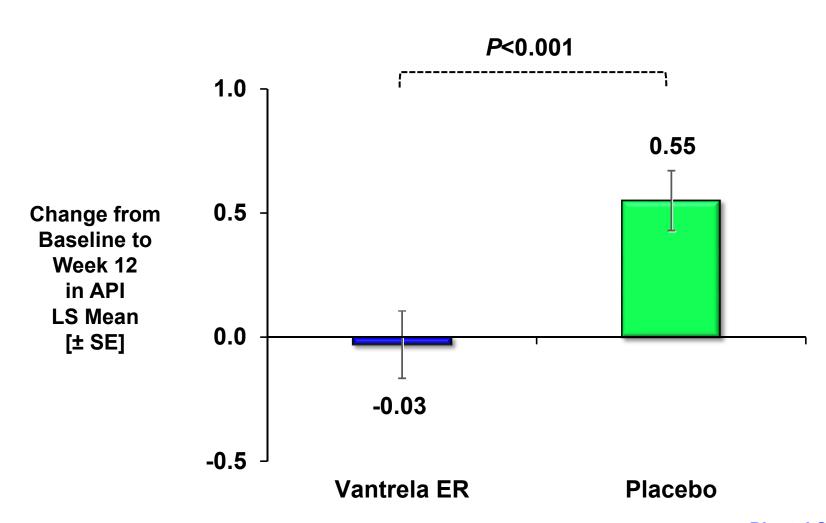
#### Pivotal Study 3103: Design of Phase 3



### Primary Endpoint (WPI) Met: Significantly Greater Pain Reduction With Vantrela ER



### Secondary Endpoint: Average Pain Intensity (API) Confirms Primary Result



### Study 3103: AEs ≥ 5% in Double-Blind Maintenance Phase Similar to Other ER Opioids

Preferred Term	Placebo (N=179)	Vantrela ER (N=191)
Patients ≥ 1 AE	49%	55%
Constipation	4%	14%
Nausea	8%	10%
Headache	4%	6%
Upper respiratory tract infection	5%	4%

## **AEs ≥ 5% in all Phase 3 Studies Up to 12 Months Duration**

Preferred Term	Vantrela ER (N=1176)
Patients ≥ 1 AE	73%
Constipation	23%
Nausea	23%
Headache	12%
Vomiting	10%
Somnolence	10%
Dizziness	7%
Pruritus	6%
Fatigue	5%

## **Exposure to Vantrela ER in Phase 3 Studies**

Received ≥ 1 dose of Vantrela ER	N=1176
Overall exposure (patient-years)	412.12
Maximum exposure (months)	15.8
Treated for ≥ 6 months (n)	363
Treated for ≥ 12 months (n)	197

## Summary of Efficacy and Safety Findings

- Study 3103 met primary efficacy endpoint (p<0.001)</li>
  - Consistent across sensitivity analyses
- Safety profile consistent with other ER opioids

#### **Abuse Deterrence Studies**

#### Derek Moe, PhD

Vice President, Drug Delivery Technologies
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### Vantrela ER Developed in Close Collaboration with FDA

- Minimize impact of abuse by retaining ER properties following manipulation
- Target known or expected routes of abuse by majority of abusers
- Compared to immediate-release Vicoprofen®, hydrocodone API, and Zohydro® ER
- Goal is to deter intentional abuse, make less attractive to abusers

### Category 1: Manipulation and Extraction Studies

#### **Category 1**

Lab based *in vitro* manipulation and extraction studies

#### Category 2

Pharmacokinetic Clinical Trials

#### **Category 3**

Human Abuse
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- Physical & chemical manipulation studies<sup>1-3</sup>
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- 1. Compared to Vicoprofen®; 2. Compared to hydrocodone API; 3. Compared to hydrocodone API and Zohydro® ER CDER. *Abuse-Deterrent Opioids Evaluation and Labeling: Guidance for Industry.* April 2015.

### Vantrela ER is Expected to Provide Abuse Deterrence

- Vantrela ER retains extended release properties following manipulations
- Lower abuse potential for most common routes of abuse: oral and intranasal ingestion
- Studies demonstrate barrier against IV abuse
- Isolation methods with greatest extraction result in low drug purity

## Studies Ranged From Simple Physical Manipulations to Complex Techniques

- Evaluated Vantrela ER against real-world methods from internet, experts, FDA
  - 844 experiments, 3798 individual results

	Route	Assessment
General Manipulations Chemical	Physical	Impact of tools using cutting, crushing, milling, grinding
	Extraction in range of solvents, temperatures, agitation	
Route-Specific Manipulations	Oral	Drug release
	Intranasal	Drug release
	Injection	Syringeability, injectability, and drug release

### **Evaluated Range of Tools Most Attractive to Abusers**

- Screened 15 tools
- Tools represented different particle size reduction methods and mechanisms
  - Milling, cutting, grinding, crushing
- 5 tools selected for Category 1 studies

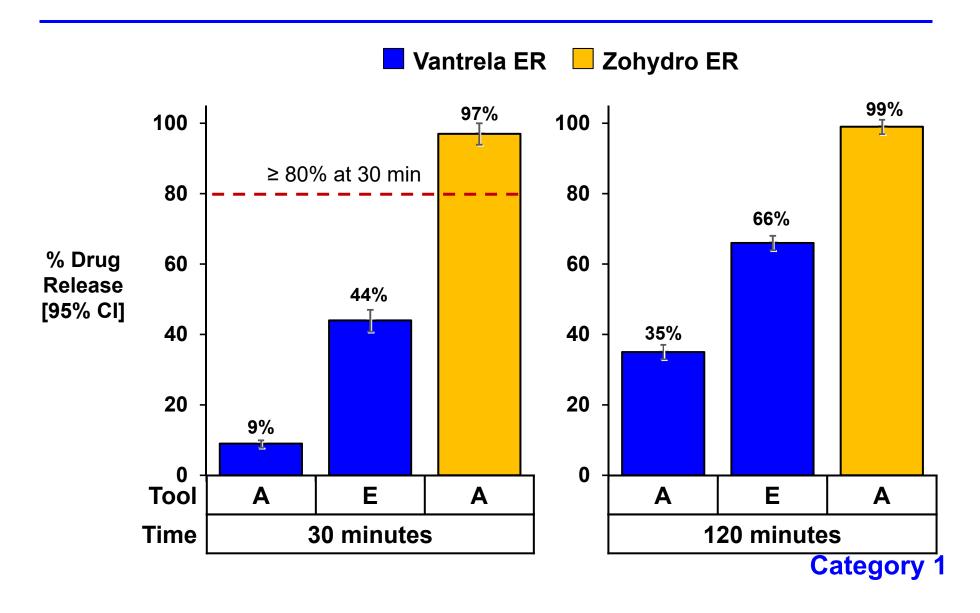
### **Data Shown for Category 1 Results**

- Data presented on 2 manipulation tools
  - Tool E worst case tool only used by dedicated abusers
  - Tool A representative release for Vantrela as other tools and feasible for Zohydro<sup>®</sup> ER

## **Physical Manipulation Studies**

- Drug release of manipulated Vantrela ER compared to manipulated Zohydro<sup>®</sup> ER
  - Assessed up to 6 hours
- Emphasis on first 30 minutes for simulated oral ingestion<sup>1</sup>
  - From draft FDA guidance
  - Extended-release lost if ≥ 80% drug released<sup>1</sup>

## Simulated Oral Ingestion: Vantrela ER Maintained Extended Release Properties



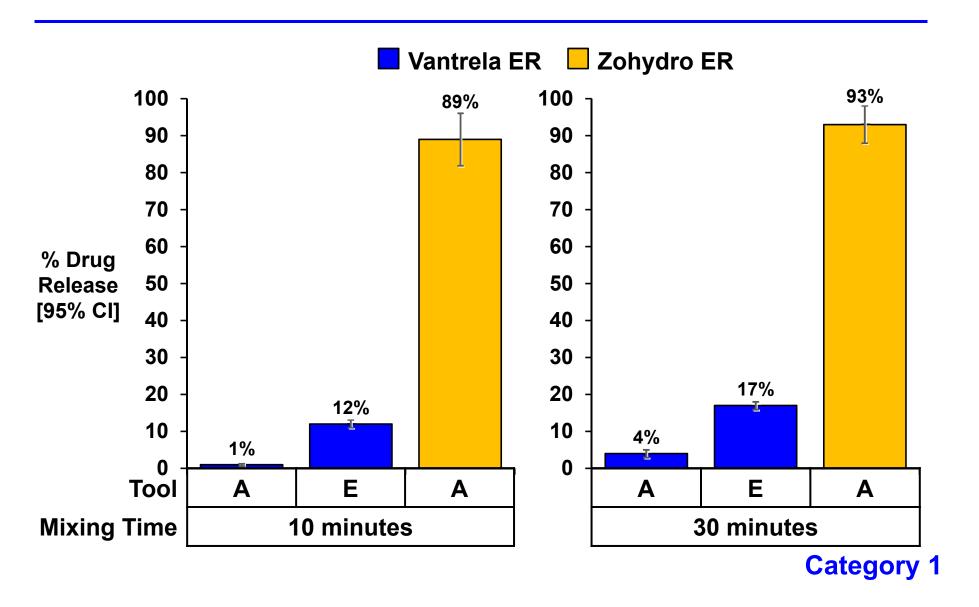
## Vantrela ER Viscosity Presents Barrier to Extraction for Intranasal and IV Abuse



Inverted vial of manipulated Vantrela ER

- Manipulated Vantrela ER tablet in 10 mL
- Highly viscous solution does not flow
- Presents challenges to intranasal, IV abuse

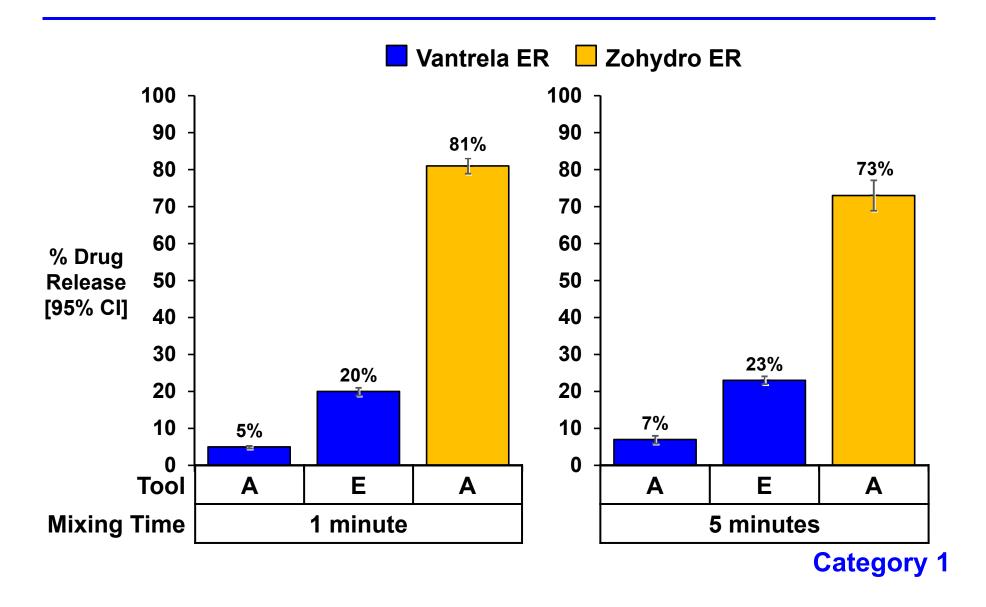
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## Simulated IV Tests: Demonstrated Potential Deterrence for IV Abuse

- Intact tablets in solution
  - Resulted in syringeable liquid, little drug
- Manipulated tablets in solution
  - Resulted in difficult-to-syringe viscous material, little drug

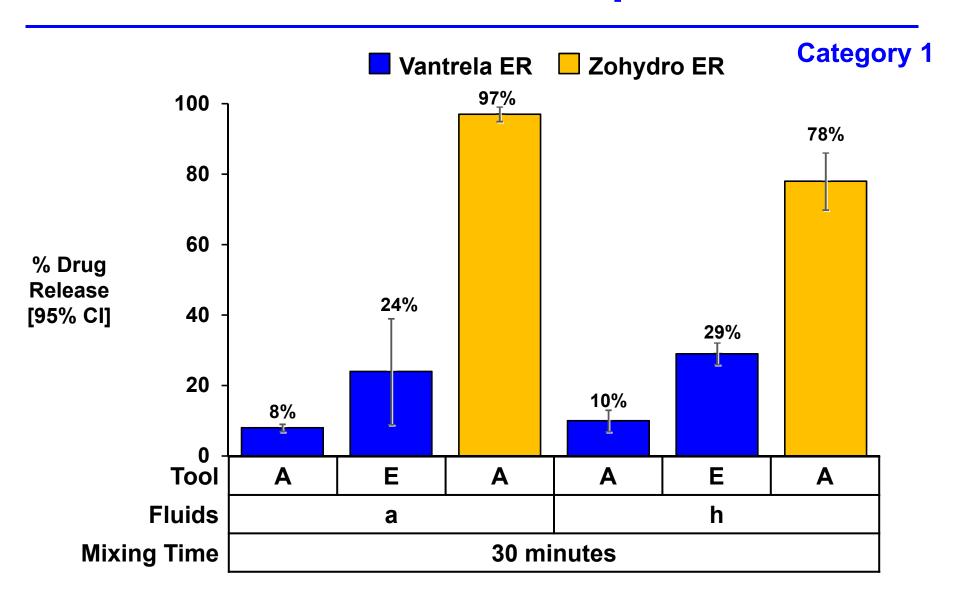
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### **Chemical Extraction Studies**

- Extraction studies
  - Evaluate rate of drug release in common aqueous fluid and advanced solvents
  - Range of polarity and pH
  - Purity becomes important for advanced solvents
- Studies varied times, temperature and agitation
- Compared manipulated Vantrela ER vs Zohydro<sup>®</sup> ER

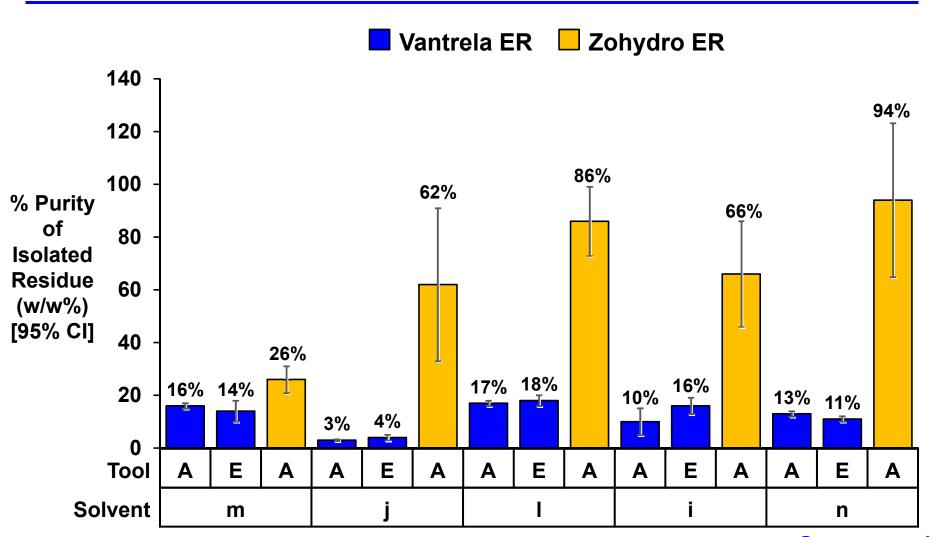
# Vantrela ER Exhibited Barriers to Extraction in Common Aqueous Fluids



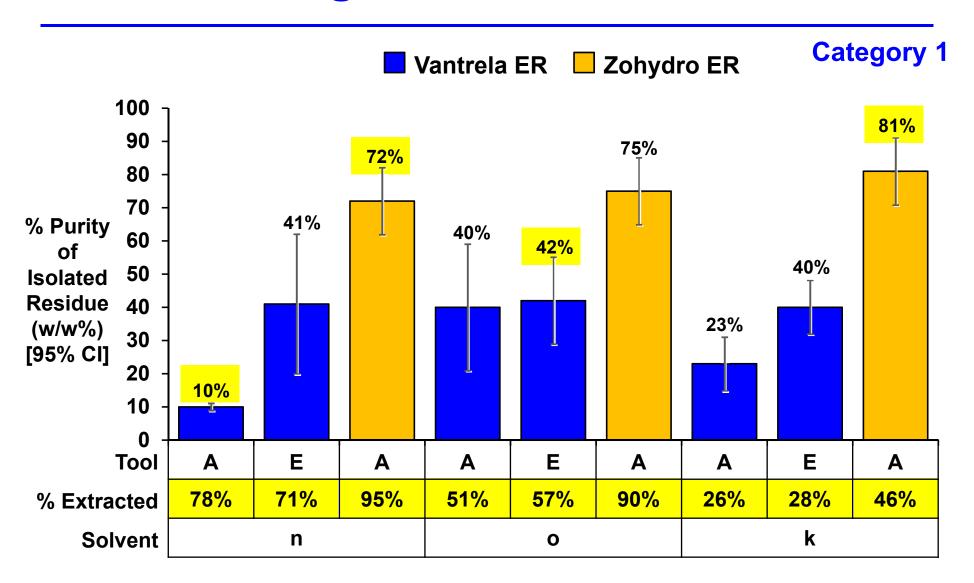
## Most Successful Oral Extraction Conditions Require Multiple Stressors

- Tested to failure as FDA Guidance instructs
- Vantrela not defeated in the simulated oral ingestion studies
- Most successful extraction conditions
  - Required specific combination of stressors applied simultaneously
  - Resulted in ≥ 80% drug release in 30 minutes
- Abuse-deterrent, not abuse-proof

## Vantrela ER Exhibits Low Purity When Extracted With Advanced Solvents



# Multi-Step Chemical Tests: Purity of Isolated Drug Substance Low



## **Category 1 Summary**

- Studies assessed Vantrela ER against most common methods of abuse
  - Designed to push formulation to the limit
- Vantrela ER retains extended release properties compared to non-abuse deterrent opioid formulations under all but certain stressed conditions

## Category 2 and 3: Clinical Pharmacokinetics and Human Abuse Potential Studies

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# Category 2: Effect of Manipulation on Pharmacokinetics (Oral & Intranasal)

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Lab based *in vitro* manipulation and extraction studies

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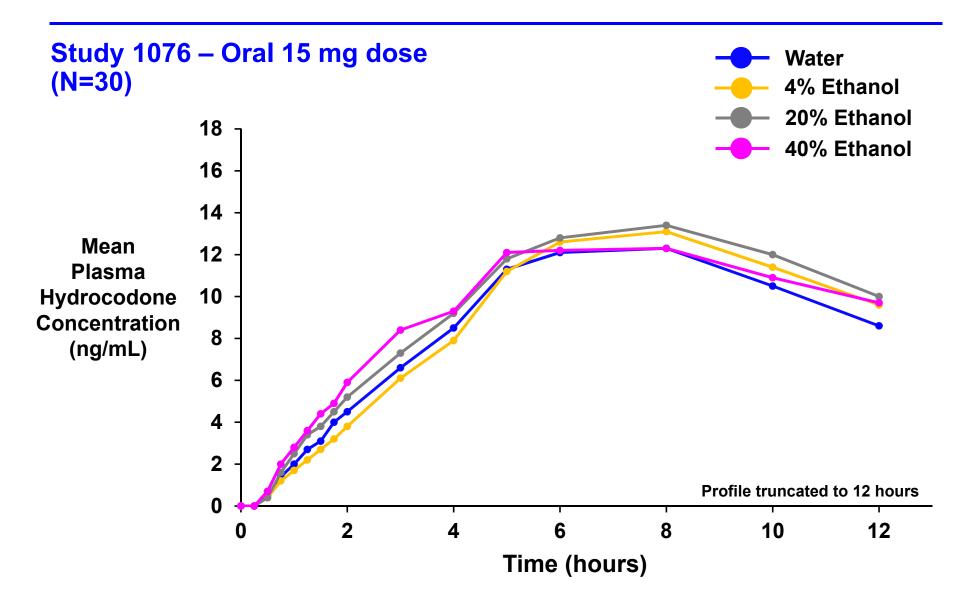
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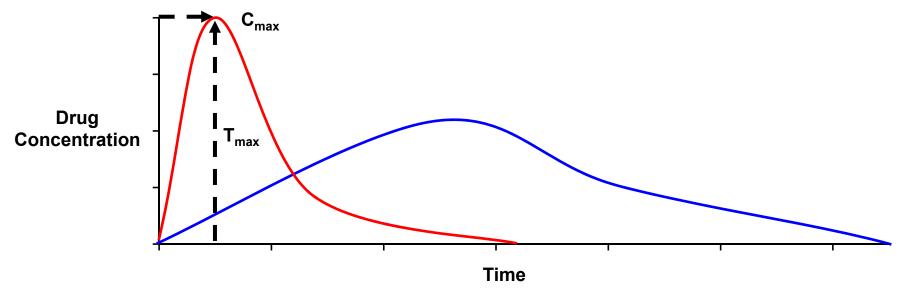
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## No Dose Dumping of Intact Oral Vantrela ER Tablet with Alcohol

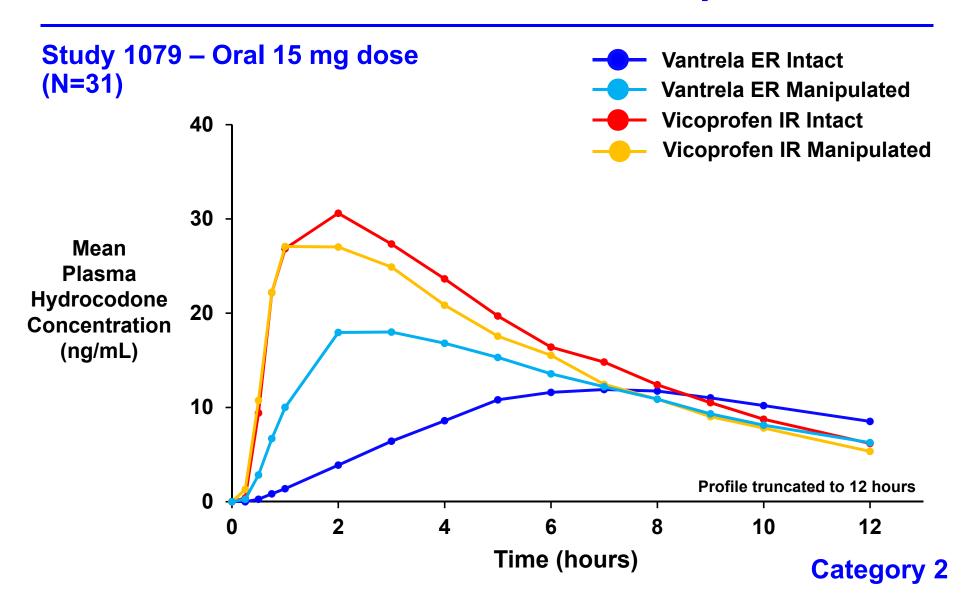


## Rate of Rise May Contribute to Differential Abuse Potential

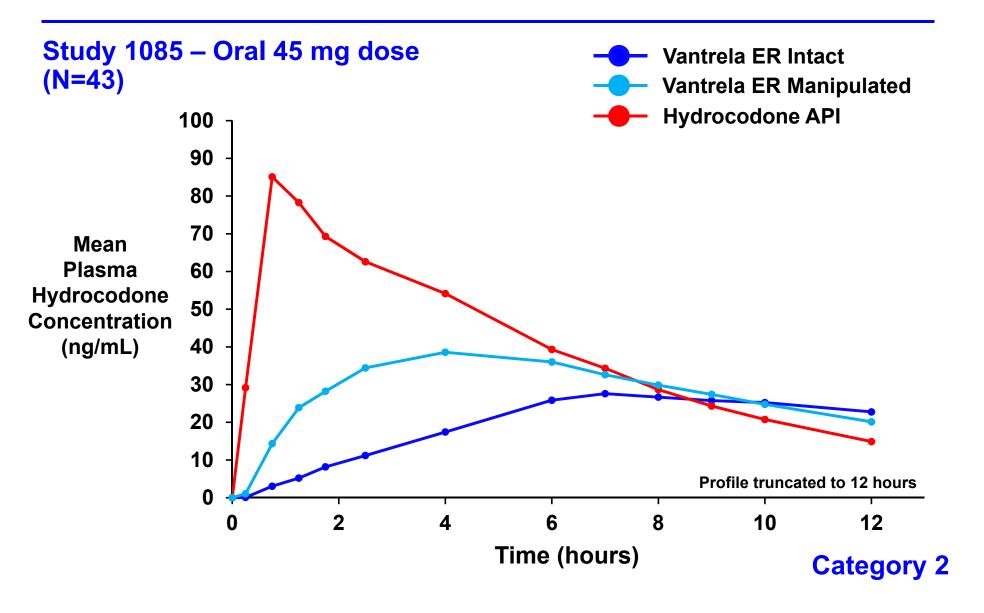
- Category 2 PK data intended to measure 'rate of rise', peak and early concentrations, as measured by
  - Early concentrations and partial AUCs
  - C<sub>max</sub> and T<sub>max</sub>



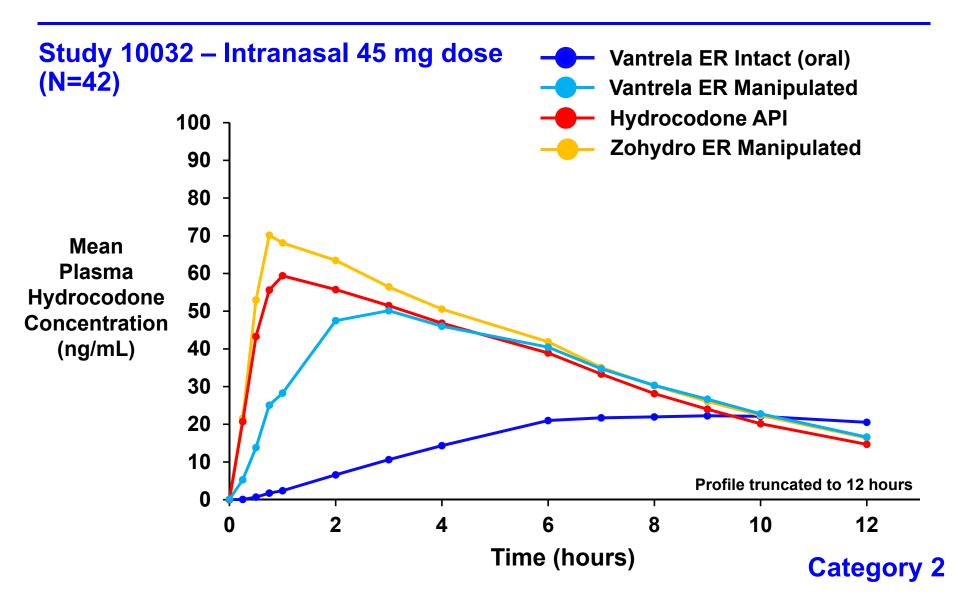
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# Manipulated Oral Vantrela ER Showed Lower Peak Concentration Than Hydrocodone API



# Manipulated Intranasal Vantrela ER Showed Lower Peak Concentration Than Hydrocodone API and Zohydro<sup>®</sup> ER



## **Category 2 Conclusions**

- Vantrela ER retains extended release properties following manipulation
- Lower extent and rate of rise in hydrocodone concentration following manipulation
  - Lower C<sub>max</sub>
  - Later T<sub>max</sub>
  - Lower early hydrocodone exposure

# Category 3: Vantrela ER Human Abuse Potential (Oral and Intranasal)

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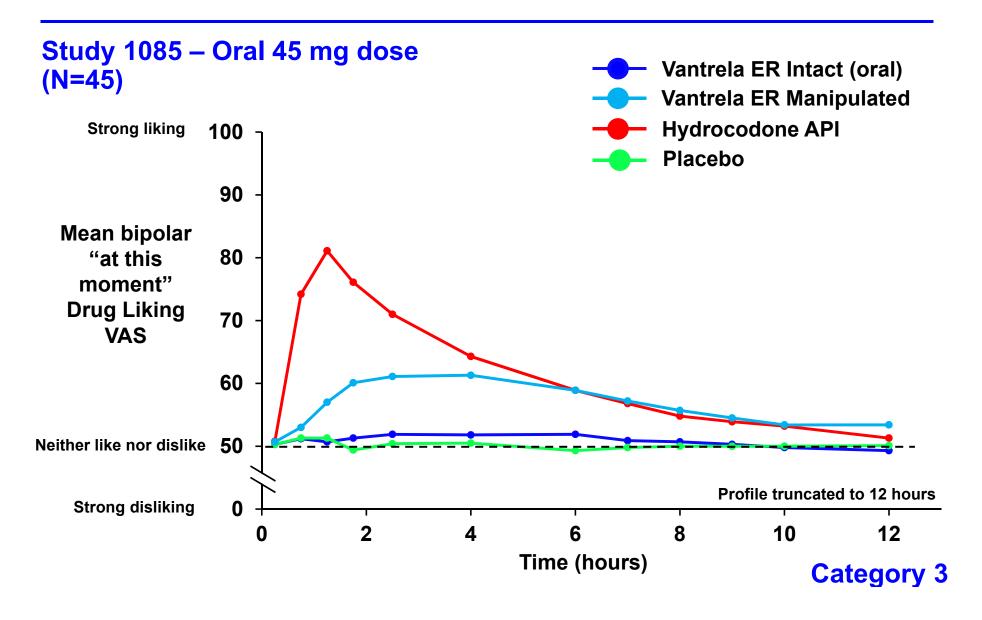
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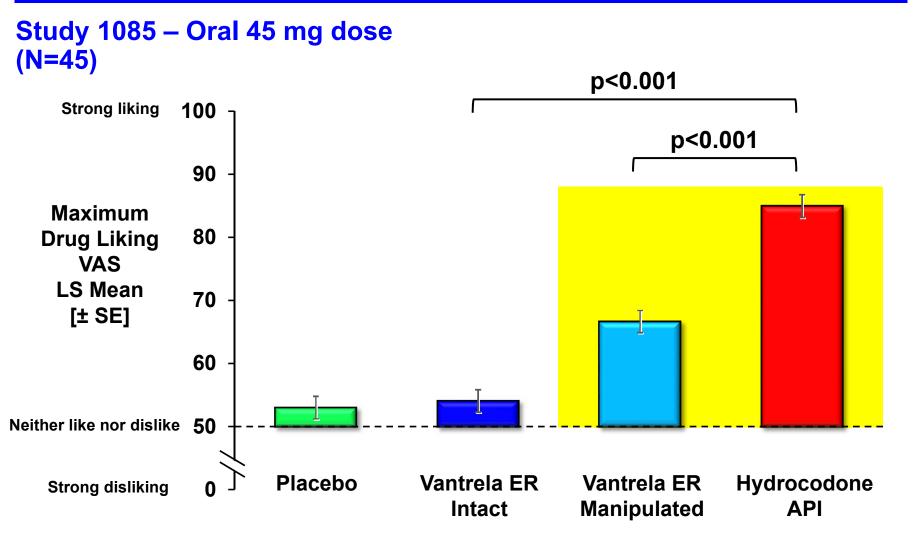
## Drug Liking Endpoints to Measure Pharmacodynamic Effects

- Primary endpoint
  - E<sub>max</sub> of Drug Liking Visual Analog Scale (VAS)
- Primary (10032) / key secondary (1085) endpoint
  - Overall Drug Liking VAS
- Key secondary endpoints
  - Take Drug Again VAS
  - Good Effects VAS (E<sub>max</sub>)
  - Any Effects VAS (E<sub>max</sub>)

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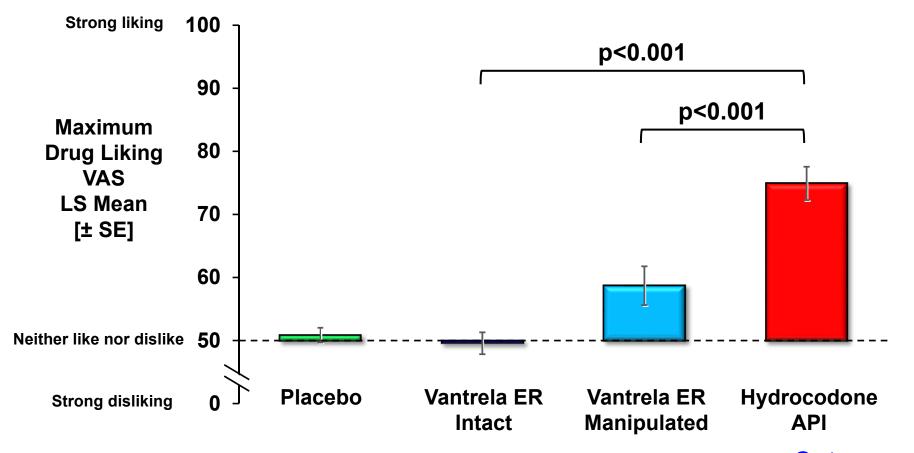


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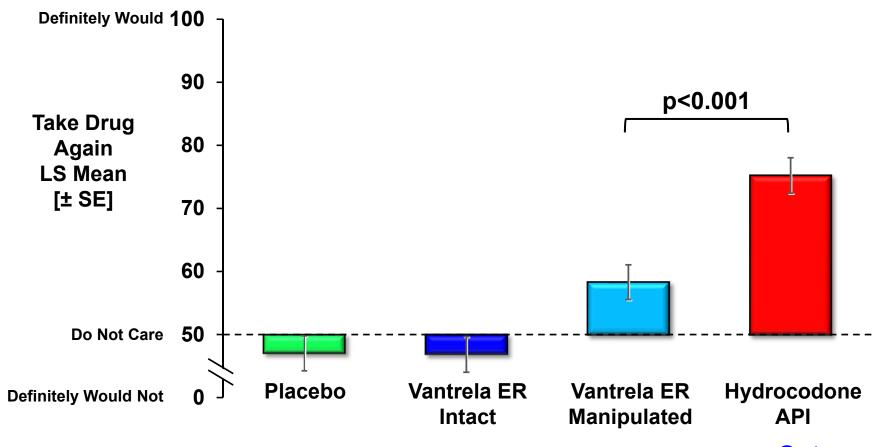
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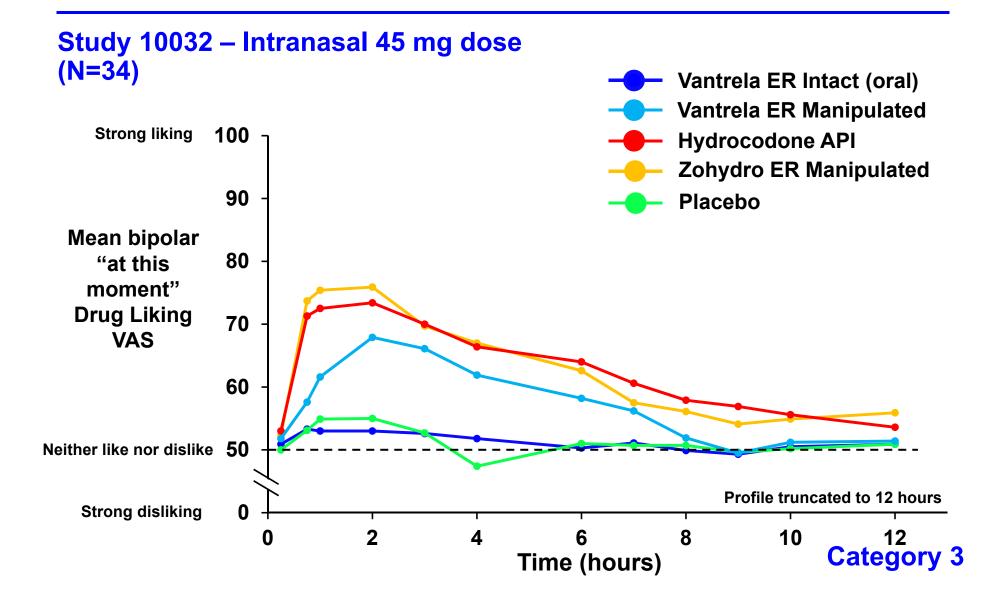


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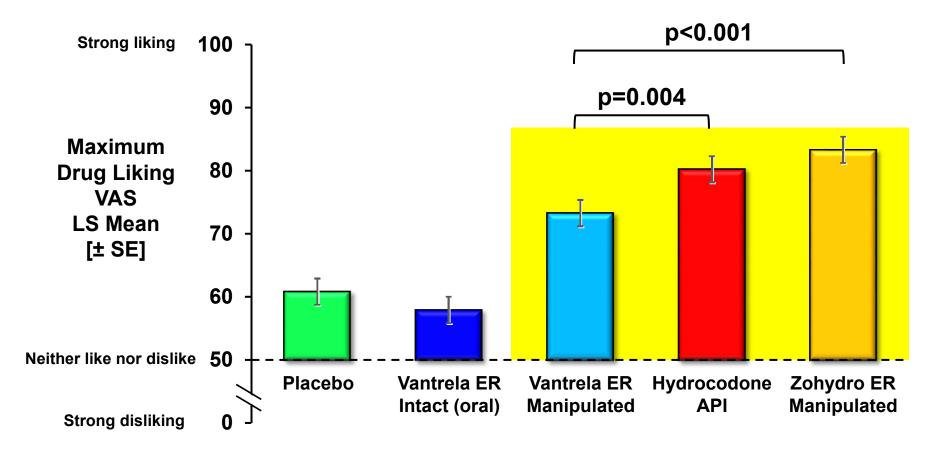


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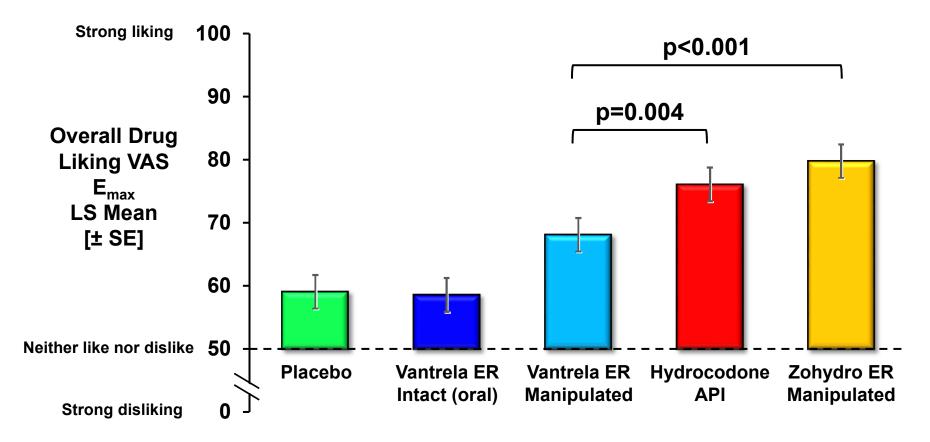
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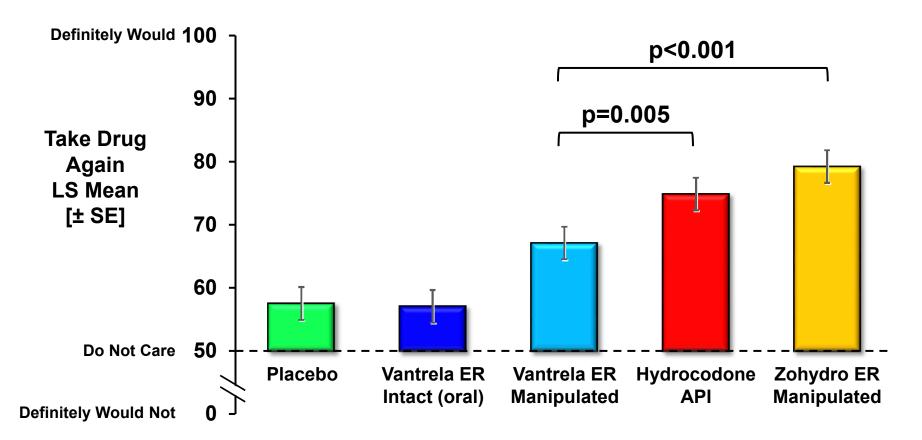
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### **Summary of Key Category 3 Endpoints** from Human Abuse Potential Studies

	Study 1085 (Oral)	Study 10032 (Intranasal)	
Endpoints	Manipulated Vantrela ER vs Hydrocodone API	Manipulated Vantrela ER vs Hydrocodone API	Manipulated Vantrela ER vs Manipulated Zohydro® ER
Primary Endpoint			
Drug Liking VAS	-18.3 (<0.001)	-6.8 (0.004)	-9.9 (<0.001)
Primary (10032) / Key Secondary (1085)			
Overall Drug Liking VAS	-16.2 (<0.001)	-8.0 (0.004)	-11.7 (<0.001)
Key Secondary Endpoints			
Take Drug Again VAS	-16.9 (<0.001)	-7.8 (0.005)	-12.1 (<0.001)
Good Effects (E <sub>max</sub> )	-39.7 (<0.001)	-11.0 (<0.001) <sup>a</sup>	-23.5 (<0.001) <sup>a</sup>
Any Effects (E <sub>max</sub> )	-40.7 (<0.001)	-13.4 (0.006)	-22.5 (<0.001)

## **Category 3 Data Conclusions**

- PD consistent with Category 2 PK results
- Significantly lower drug liking, overall liking and willingness to take drug again vs non-ADF comparators
- Abuse-deterrent for two most common routes of abuse: oral and intranasal

## **Summary and Benefit-Risk**

Richard Malamut, MD

### Vantrela ER: Positive Clinical Data

- Significant pain relief compared to placebo
- Safety profile similar to other opioid products from our phase 3 program

## Category 1: Vantrela ER has Physical and Chemical Properties Expected to Deter Abuse

- ER properties maintained after applying techniques known to be utilized by potential abusers
- Physical and chemical properties expected to deter most common routes of abuse
  - Oral, intranasal, IV injection

### Category 2: PK Results Show Manipulated Vantrela ER Retains Extended Release Properties

- When manipulated for oral, intranasal abuse,
   Vantrela ER exhibits
  - Lower extent and rate of rise in hydrocodone concentration
  - Lower C<sub>max</sub> and later T<sub>max</sub> than non-abuse deterrent opioids

## Category 3: PD Studies Show Reduced Human Abuse Potential for Vantrela ER

- PD results consistent with PK results
- Manipulated Vantrela ER maintains AD properties in human abuse potential studies
- Expected to reduce most common routes of abuse: oral and intranasal
- Significantly lower drug liking, willingness to take drug again
- Abuse deterrence expected to be confirmed in post-marketing, real-world abuse studies

### Committed to Responsible Pain Management While Protecting Overall Public Health

- Goal is to promote appropriate opioid use
- Internal audits, training and compliance program to monitor employee communications
- Teva will join ER/LA Opioid Analgesics REMS
- Teva will participate in
  - 11 shared observational post-market requirement studies
  - Vantrela ER-specific post-market requirement studies

#### Vantrela ER: Positive Benefit-Risk Profile

- Significant barriers against abuse
- Effective chronic pain management
- Safety profile consistent with other ER opioids
- Vantrela ER offers needed option for patients and HCPs, while providing part of the solution to public health issue of abuse

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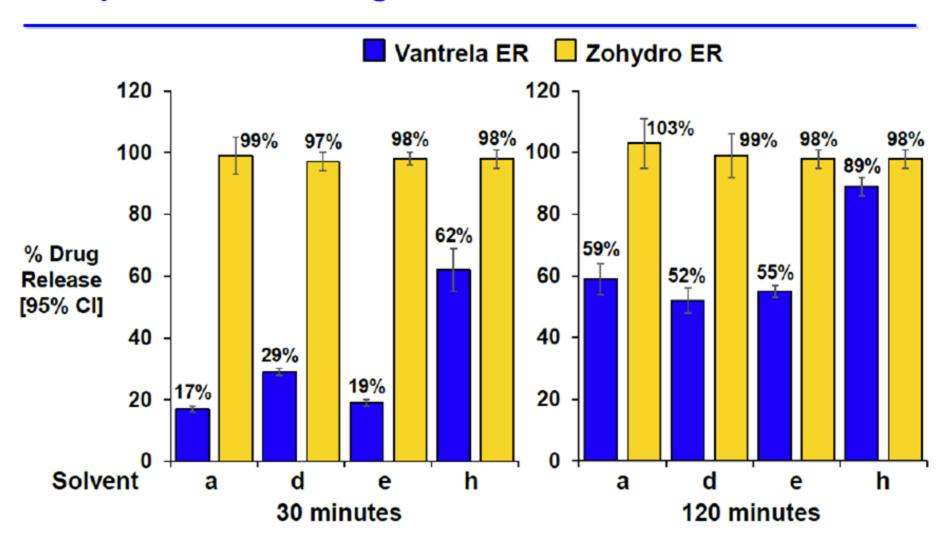
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#### **Back-up Slides Shown**

Figure 6: Percent Drug Recovered from VANTRELA ER and ZOHYDRO ER Manipulated with Tool A at Temperature 7 with Agitation Method W

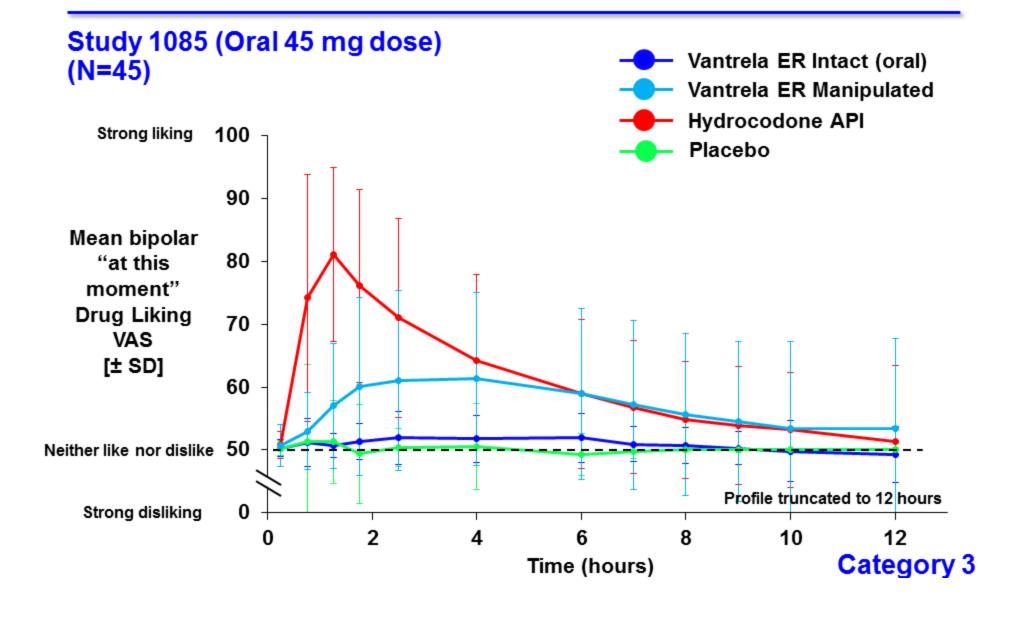


CI=confidence interval; ER=extended-release.

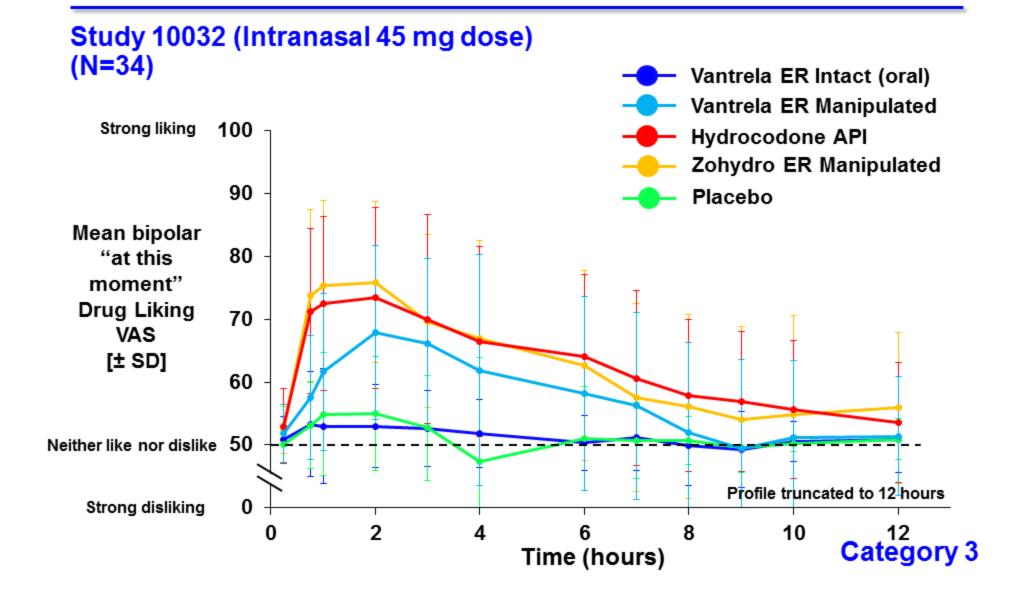
#### Most Successful Extraction Conditions: Most Rapid Drug Release

- Vantrela ER was tested to failure as FDA Guidance instructs
- Extreme extraction conditions were found that resulted in ≥ 80% drug release in 30 minutes
- Specific conditions were:
  - Liquid H
  - Agitation W
  - Temperature 8
  - Tools A and E

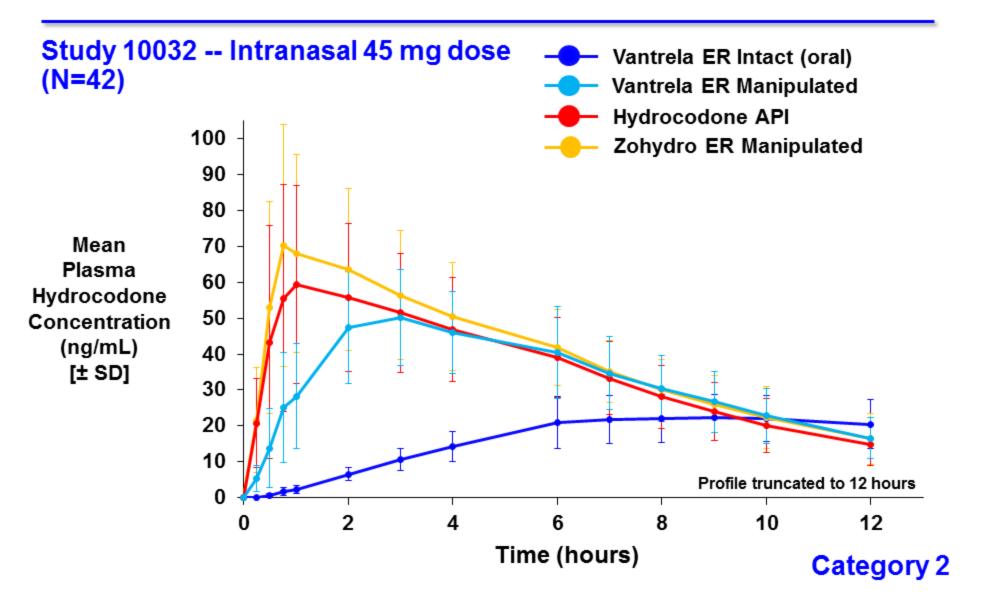
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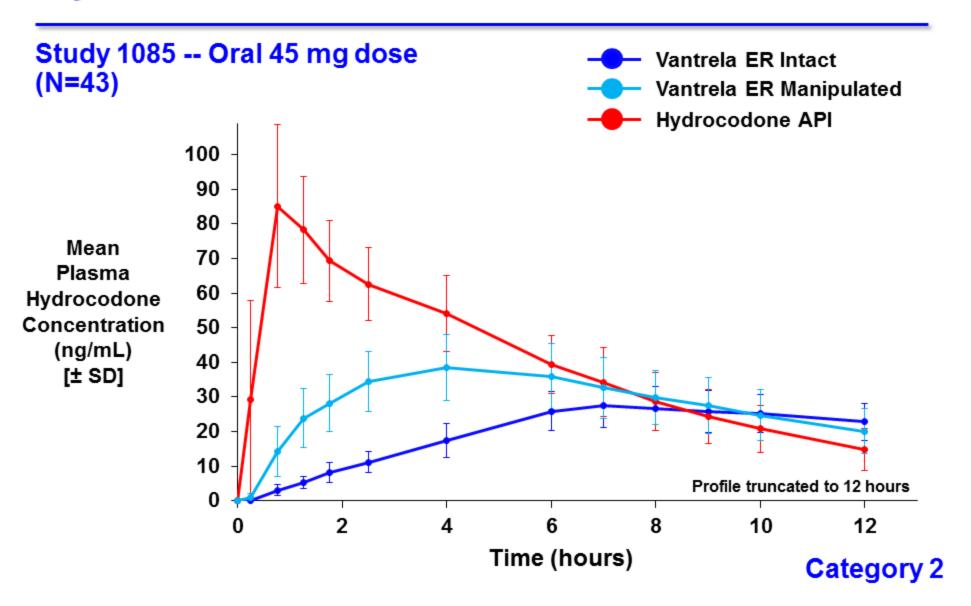
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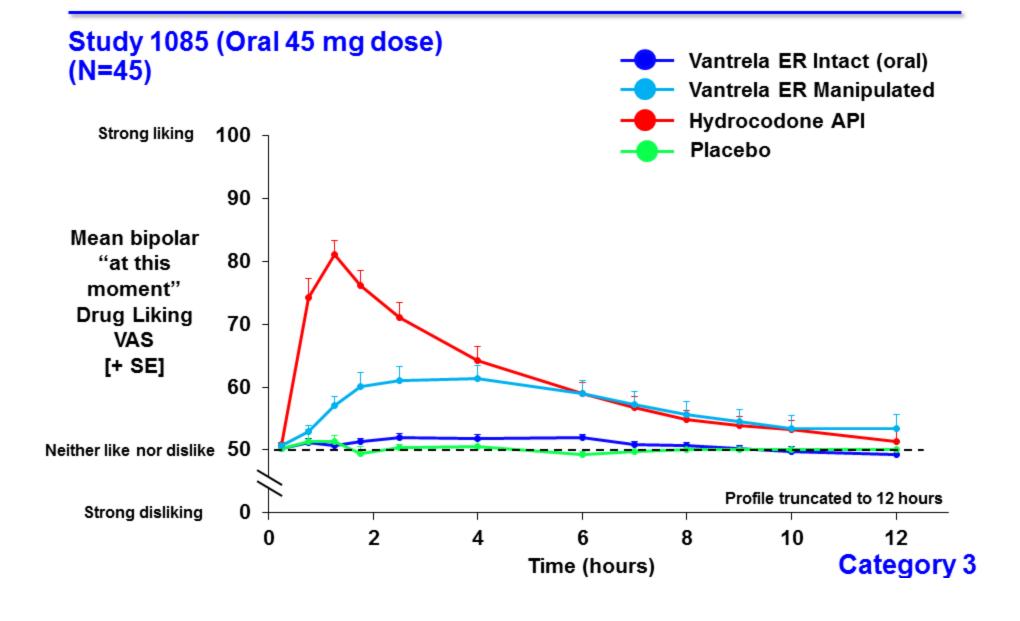
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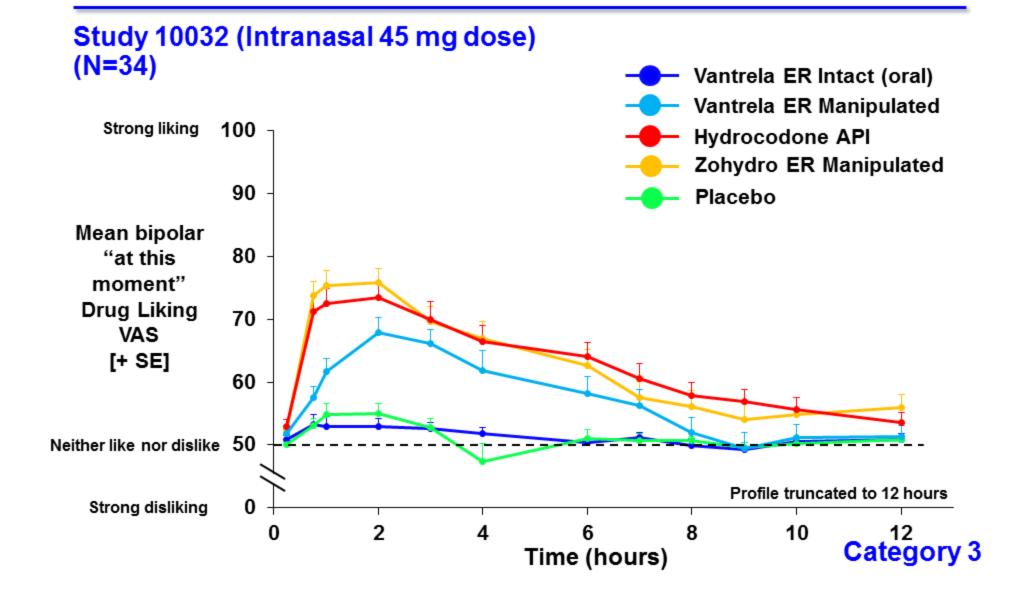
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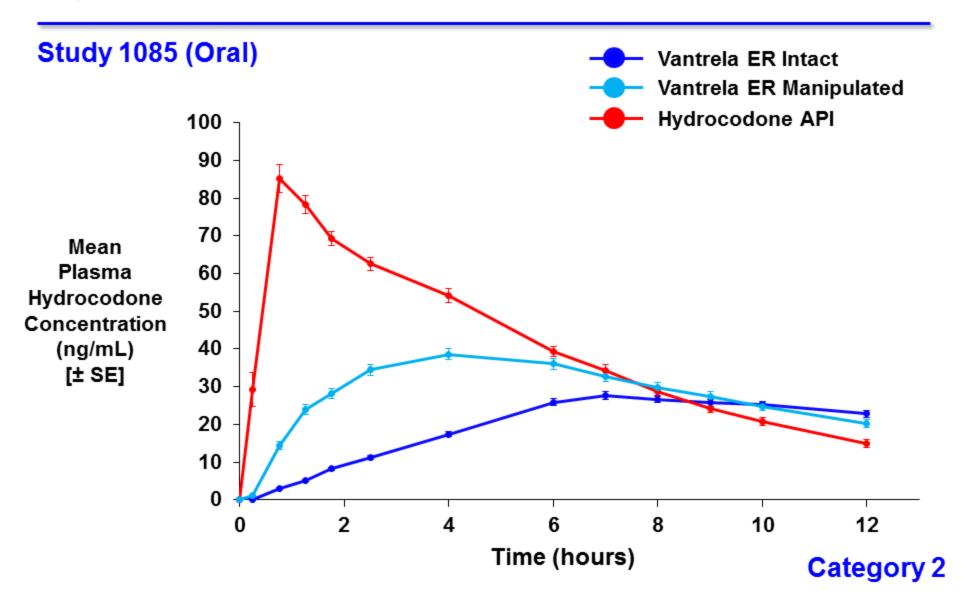
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