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6:00pm – 7:00pm Room : 2 - 132



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“Mathematical models of next generation of pharmacometrics”

Abstract

In this talk we will look at the mathematics behind the field of pharmacometrics. Pharmacometrics is the study of drug metabolism and is being used to uncover strategies for personalized precision dosing. We will look into three aspects which can be utilized to better predict a patient's drug response: stochastic differential equation models of process noise, large-scale differential equation models of internal biological processes (quantitative systems pharmacology), and mixed methodologies with machine learning, such as neural differential equations, to automatically learn models from electronic health record data. We will explore the mathematical and computational challenges that are being uncovered in the field and invite the audience to think of new software tools which can be given to the pharmacometric community to solve this issue of individualized healthcare.