

Guideline/guidance Comparison on Large Molecule Bioanalysis



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MHLW/EMA/FDA BMV guidelines (LBA section)



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Table: Ishii A. at 7th EBF Open symposium

Scope



MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA (7. LBA) 2011	FDA (IV. LBA) draft 2013
Study <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toxicokinetic studies (GLP) • Clinical trials Analyte <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protein • Peptide • Small-molecule Out of scope Non-GLP nonclinical study	Similar to JPN guideline Analyte Focused analyte not given	Similar to JPN guideline Study <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-clinical Pharmacology study Analyte <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Endogenous compounds • Biomarkers • Diagnostic kit • Applicable to veterinary drug

Reference Standard



MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA (7. LBA) 2011	FDA (IV. LBA) draft 2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CoA (or alternative document) Lot number Content (Purity, Amount, Potency etc..) Storage conditions Preferable Expiration date	Similar to JPN guideline Additional cautions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Calibration/QC Lot = Dosing Lot• Change of Lot (bioanalytical evaluation)	Similar to JPN guideline Detailed requirement is not given.



MWLW LBA Guideline allows to use any lot as reference standard as long as the it conforms to the same quality specifications based on information available from a CoA.

Reference Standard



MWLW LBA Guideline Q&A

Q3. What procedure should be followed in renewing the reference standard lot?

A3. Confirm comparability of the current and new reference standard lots by referring to the relevant CoA or any appropriate documentation....

Q4. Does the reference standard lot have to be the same as the drug substance lot used for dosing in the non-clinical or clinical studies?

A4. Any lot may be used as the reference standard as long as it conforms to the same quality specifications based on information available from a CoA or other appropriate document....

Full Validation



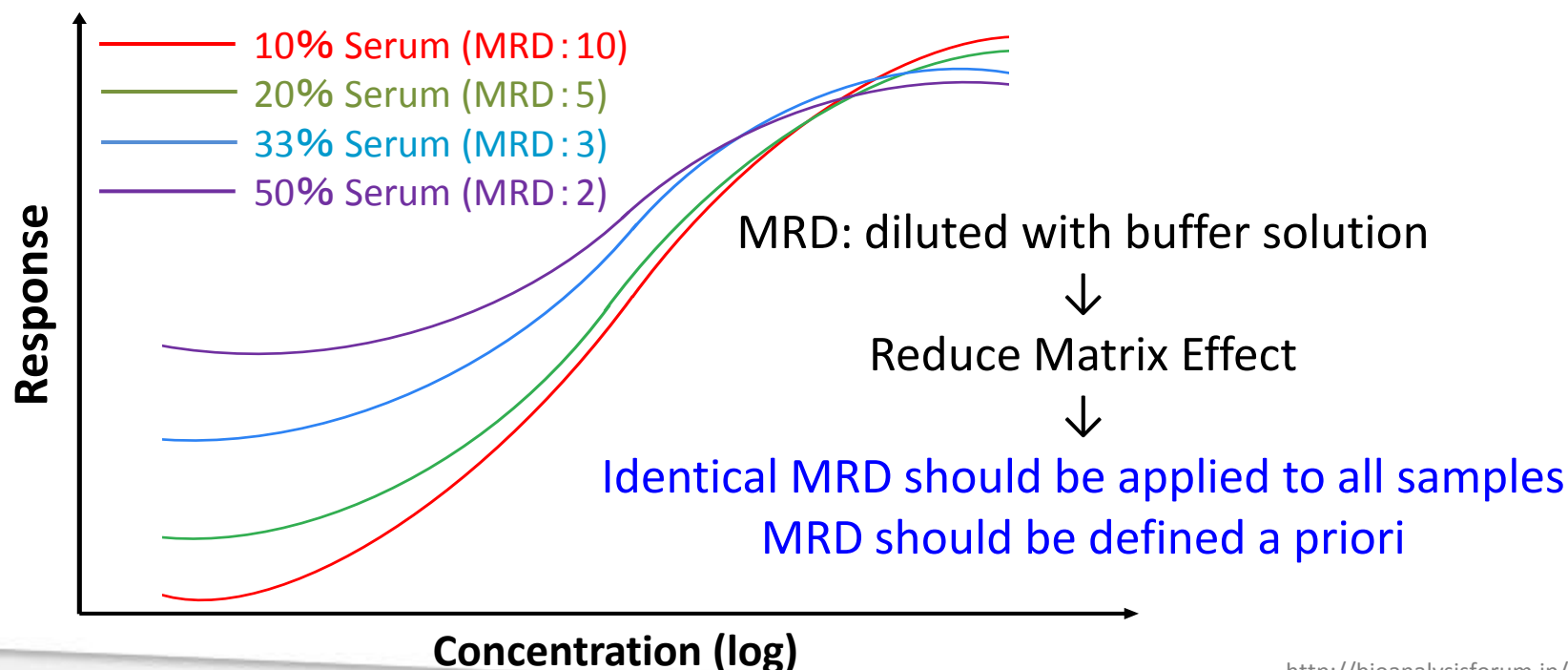
MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA (7. LBA) 2011	FDA (IV. LBA) draft 2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Validation is required... Each Species Each Matrix Commercial kit• Parameters Specificity Selectivity Calibration curve Accuracy Precision Dilutional Linearity Stability	<p>Similar to JPN guideline</p> <p>Carryover, MRD and parallelism are stated separately.</p>	<p>Similar to JPN guideline</p> <p>Selectivity and dilution linearity are not included.</p> <p>Less detailed definition, leaving judgement to scientists</p>

MRD (Minimum required dilution)



MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA (7. LBA) 2011	FDA (IV. LBA) draft 2013
MRD should be defined a priori. (Chapter of MRD is not given)	Listed as a validation parameter	No description given

MRD



Specificity (definition)

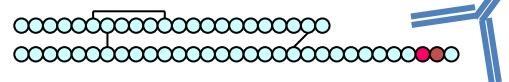


Specificity

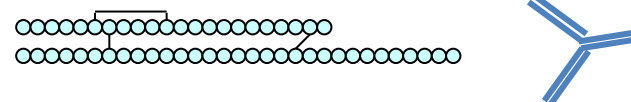
Specificity is the ability of an analytical method to detect and distinguish the analyte from other **related substances**.

No differences in definition between MHLW and EMA guideline.

Analyte



Related substance



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<p>Details of related substance are not given.</p> <p>Specificity may be evaluated in the course of method development.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Related substance Endogenous compounds, isoforms, variants forms of the analyte, or physico-chemically similar compounds, anticipated concomitant medication. 	<p>Contained in selectivity section.</p>

Specificity (evaluation)



MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA (7. LBA) 2011	FDA (IV. LBA) draft 2013
<p>Sample Blank + related compound QC: near LLOQ and near ULOQ (+related compound)</p> <p>Criteria Blank: <LLOQ. QC: within $\pm 20\%$ ($\pm 25\%$ at LLOQ or ULOQ)</p>	<p>Similar to JPN guideline</p> <p>Sample QC: LLOQ and ULOQ (+related compound)</p> <p>Criteria QC: within $\pm 25\%$</p> <p>Using blank sample is not addressed.</p>	<p>No details given</p>

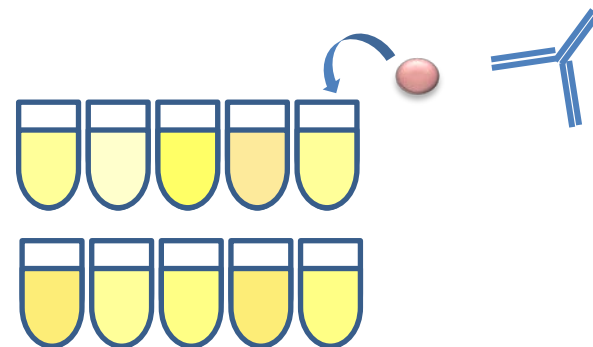
Selectivity



Selectivity

Selectivity is the ability of an analytical method to measure the analyte in the presence of other **unrelated substances in the matrix**.

<at least 10 sources of blank matrix>



No differences in definition between MHLW and EMA guideline.

MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA (7. LBA) 2011	FDA (IV. LBA) draft 2013
Using lipemic, hemolysed and relevant disease sample is not addressed.	<p>Lipemic and Hemolysed matrix should be included.</p> <p>Including relevant disease population is recommended.</p>	No details given

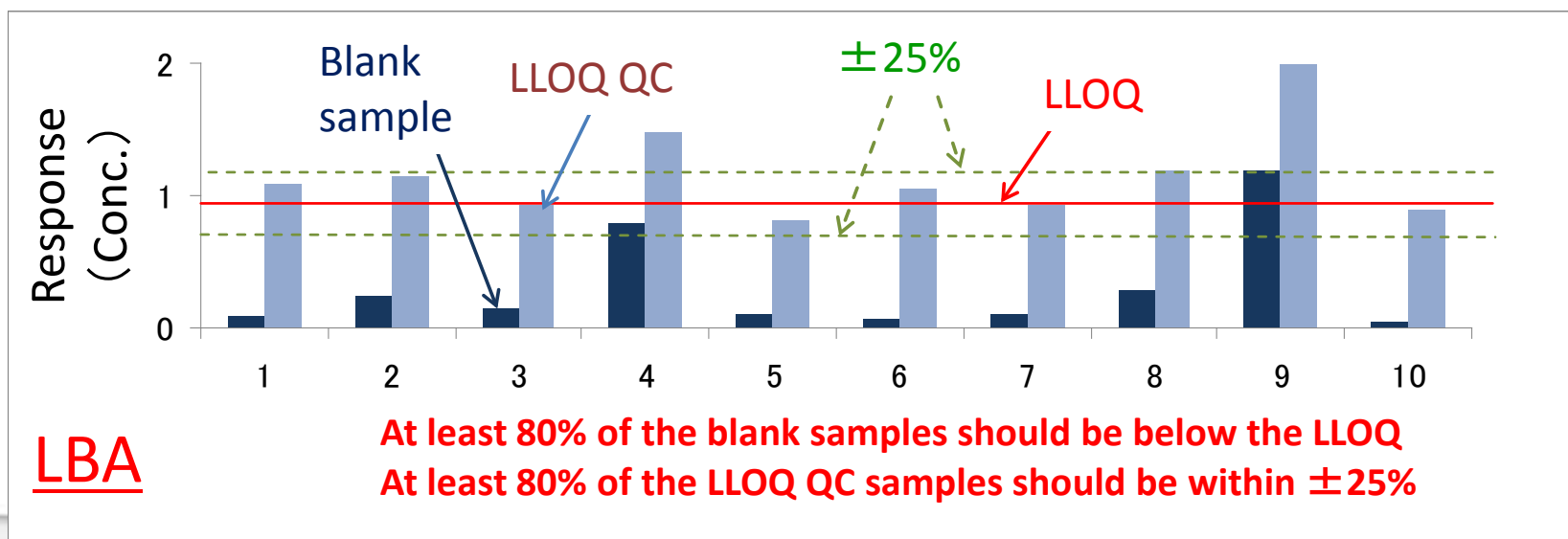


These evaluations are **not** mandatory.

Selectivity



MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA (7. LBA) 2011	FDA (IV. LBA) draft 2013
QC: 10 individuals at or near LLOQ samples. Blank: <LLOQ. QC: within $\pm 20\%$ of nominal ($\pm 25\%$ at LLOQ)	Similar to JPN guideline	No details given



Matrix Selection & Matrix Effect



MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA (7. LBA) 2011	FDA (IV. LBA) draft 2013
None	When alternative matrix is used, the accuracy should be calculated to demonstrate the absence of matrix effect.	Matrix Effect should be evaluated. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Compared with calibrators in buffer.• Parallelism of diluted sample



But in the full validation section:

The use of a surrogate matrix should be rigorously justified in the course of establishing the analytical method.

Calibration curve



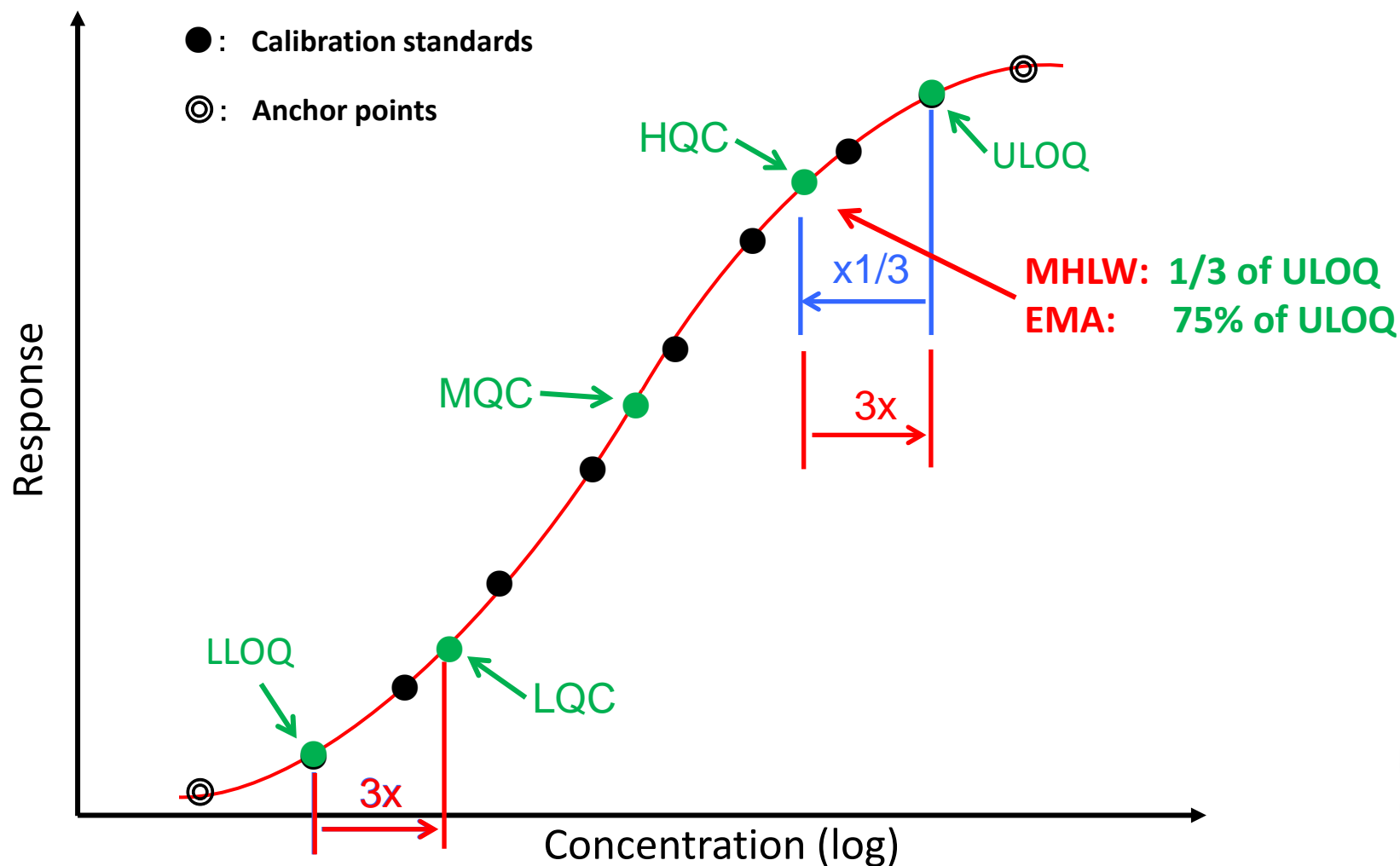
MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA (7. LBA) 2011	FDA (IV. LBA) draft 2013
<p>Back-calculated concentrations : within $\pm 20\%$ of nominal conc. ($\pm 25\%$ at LLOQ and ULOQ)</p> <p>At least 75% of calibration standards and a minimum of 6 concentrations including LLOQ and ULOQ meet the criteria.</p>	<p>Similar to JPN guideline</p> <p>Back-calculated concentrations : within $\pm 20\%$ of nominal conc. ($\pm 25\%$ at LLOQ and ULOQ)</p> <p>At least 75% of calibration standards meet the criteria.</p>	<p>Similar to JPN guideline</p> <p>Back-calculated concentrations : within $\pm 20\%$ of nominal conc. ($\pm 25\%$ at LLOQ)</p> <p>At least 75% of calibration standards including LLOQ meet the criteria.</p> <p>Total error : not exceed 30%</p>

Accuracy and Precision



MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA (7. LBA) 2011	FDA (IV. LBA) draft 2013
<p>Accuracy : within ±20% (±25% at LLOQ and ULOQ)</p> <p>Precision : not exceed 20% (25% at LLOQ and ULOQ)</p> <p>Total error : not exceed 30% (40% at LLOQ and ULOQ)</p> <p>High QC conc.: At least 1/3 of ULOQ</p>	<p>Similar to JPN guideline</p> <p>Accuracy : within ±20% (±25% at LLOQ and ULOQ)</p> <p>Precision : not exceed 20% (25% at LLOQ and ULOQ)</p> <p>Total error: not exceed 30% (40% at LLOQ and ULOQ)</p> <p>High QC conc.: At least 75% of ULOQ</p>	<p>Similar to JPN guideline</p> <p>Accuracy : within ±20% (±25% at LLOQ)</p> <p>Precision : not exceed 20% (25% at LLOQ)</p>

Accuracy and Precision



Dilutional Linearity



MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA (7. LBA) 2011	FDA (IV. LBA) draft 2013
Sample: QC: Above ULOQ sample → Serially diluted Accuracy: within $\pm 20\%$ Precision: not exceed 20%	Similar to JPN guideline	Included in A&P section. But acceptance criteria is not clear.

Parallelism



Parallelism is evaluated by diluting **study sample** to detect possible matrix effect.

MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA (7. LBA) 2011	FDA (IV. LBA) draft 2013
None	Sample: Study sample should be diluted at least 3 concentrations Precision: not exceed 30%	Similar to EMA guideline (stated in selectivity section) Acceptance criteria is not clear.

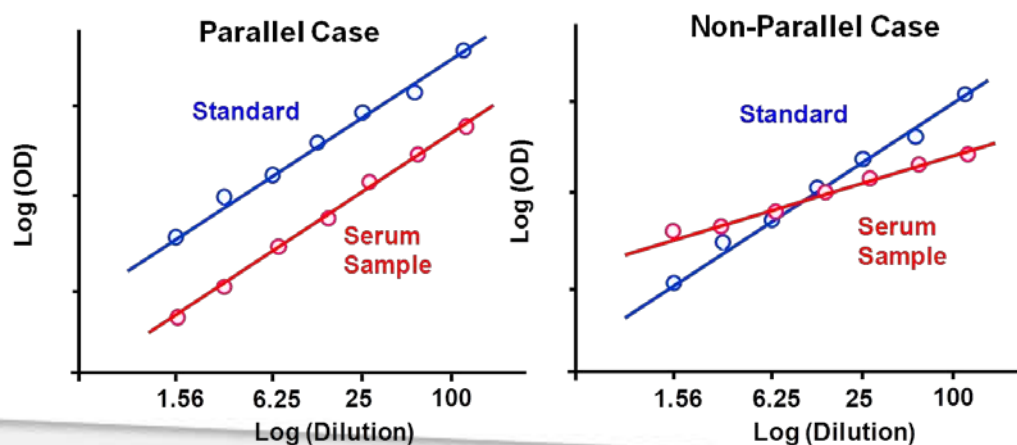


Fig: Nakamura T.
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Parallelism



Parallelism evaluation is **not** mandatory.

MWLW LBA Guideline Q&A

Q17. Is it not necessary to evaluate parallelism?

A17. As of the issuance of this guideline, domestic and international knowledge has neither accumulated nor discussion yet matured regarding cases in which parallelism was not established, causes for failing to establish parallelism, and the extent of impact the failure might have on pharmaceutical development. **Therefore, evaluation of parallelism is not necessarily required for all analytical methods.** However, **if parallelism is an intrinsic issue for an LBA-based bioanalytical method and is likely to cause a problem based on the nature of the analyte or method or data accumulated in the course of pharmaceutical development, scientifically valid evaluation and assessment of the impact on measured concentrations should be considered to the extent possible.**

Stability



	MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA 2011	FDA draft 2013
Sample	Freeze/Thaw Short-term Long-term Stock Solution High QC and Low QC n=3 at each conc.	Similar to JPN guideline (ISS may be used. Whole blood stability is not routinely required). No definition of No. of sample.	Similar to JPN guideline + processed sample stability High QC and Low QC n=3 at each conc.
Criteria	within $\pm 20\%$ of nominal	within $\pm 20\%$ of nominal	within $\pm 15\%$ of nominal

Partial Validation



MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA 2011	FDA draft 2013
Analytical method transfer Analytical instruments Critical reagent lot Calibration range MRD Anticoagulant Analytical conditions Sample storage conditions Concomitant drugs Rare matrices	Similar to JPN guideline Analytical method transfer Equipment Calibration range Anticoagulant Sample processing procedure Limited sample volume Another matrix or species Storage conditions	Similar to JPN guideline Analytical method transfer Instruments Software Analytical methodology Anticoagulant Matrix within species Species within matrix Sample processing procedure Relevant concentration range Limited sample volume Rare matrices

FDA draft guidance is OK with Partial Validation for change in analytical methodology, matrix within species and species within matrix.

Cross Validation



MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA 2011	FDA draft 2013
QC : within $\pm 30\%$ of nominal Study sample: variability should be within $\pm 30\%$ for at least two-thirds of the samples	QC : within $\pm 15\%$ of nominal or may be wider Study sample: variability should be within $\pm 20\%$ for at least 67% of the samples	No Criteria given. Require to use both spiked QCs and subject samples.

MHLW guideline accepts wider criteria ($\pm 30\%$).

	MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA (6. ISR) 2011	FDA (V. ISR) draft 2013
sample	<p>approximately 10% of the samples (total samples \leq 1000)</p> <p>approximately 5% of the samples (total samples > 1000)</p>	<p>Similar to JPN guideline 10% of the samples (total samples \leq 1000)</p> <p>5% of the samples (total samples > 1000)</p>	<p>7% of the samples</p>
criteria	<p>assay variability should be within $\pm 30\%$ for at least two-thirds of the samples analyzed in ISR</p>	<p>Similar to JPN guideline assay variability should be within $\pm 30\%$ for at least 67% of the samples analyzed in ISR</p>	<p>Similar to JPN guideline assay variability should be within $\pm 30\%$ for at least two-thirds (67%) of the samples analyzed in ISR</p>

Points to Note



Critical Reagent

MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA 2011	FDA draft 2013
A critical reagent has a direct impact on the results. The quality of critical reagent should be appropriately maintained. Partial validation is in principle required when the critical reagent lot is changed.	Similar to JPN guideline	Similar to JPN guideline

Summary



➤ **MHLW LBA Guideline is fundamentally similar to the EMA BMV guideline (2011)**

- ✓ LBA in the scope if used for small molecules.
- ✓ Not have to be Reference standard lot = Dosing lot.
- ✓ MRD should be defined a priori.
- ✓ High QC = At least 1/3 of ULOQ.
- ✓ Parallelism is not routinely required.
- ✓ Wider criteria for cross-validation.

➤ **MHLW LBA Guideline is not different from the FDA draft guidance (2013) in the basic concepts.**

- ✓ But need to wait for the finalized FDA guidance for complete comparison.

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Validation – Calibration curve

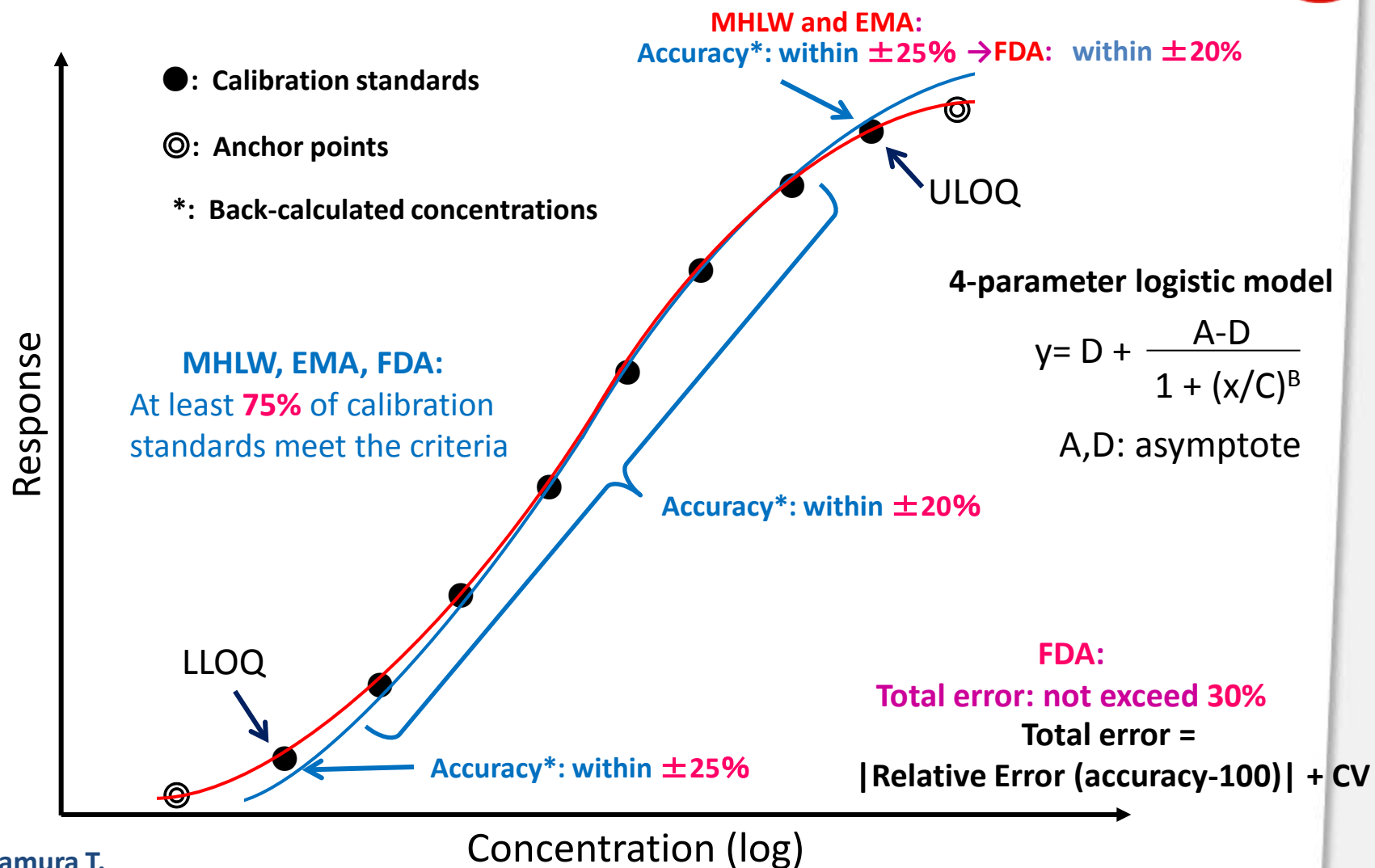
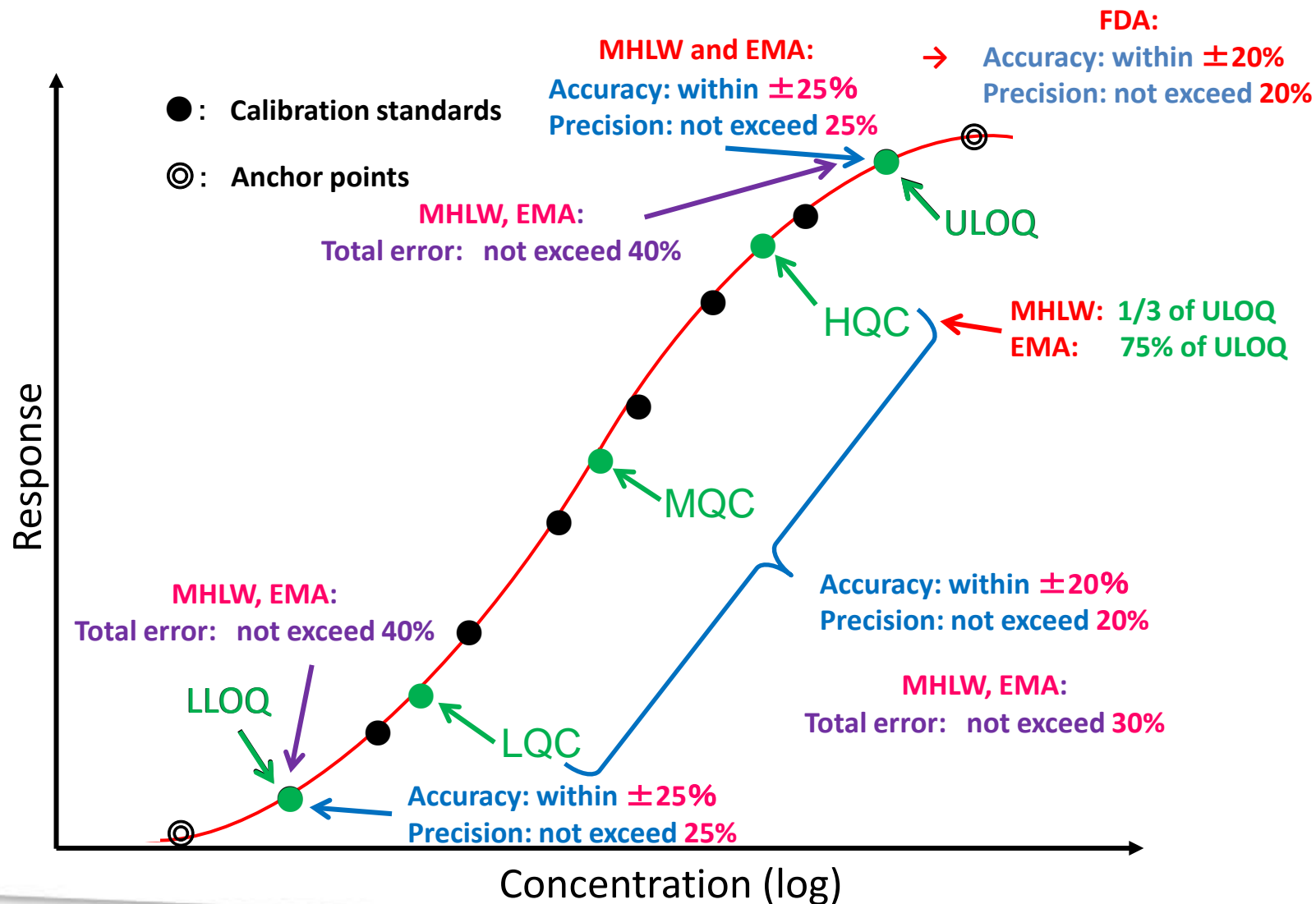


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Accuracy and Precision



Run Acceptance Criteria



	MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA 2011	FDA draft 2013
Calibration curve	<p>Back-calculated concentrations : within ±20% conc. (±25% at LLOQ and ULOQ)</p> <p>At least 75% of calibration standards and 6 conc. meet the criteria.</p>	<p>Back-calculated concentrations : within ±20% conc. (±25% at LLOQ and ULOQ)</p> <p>At least 75% of calibration sample and 6 conc. meet the criteria</p>	<p>Back-calculated concentrations : within ±20% conc. (±25% at LLOQ)</p> <p>At least 75% of calibration standards meet the criteria.</p> <p>Total error : not exceed 30%</p>
QC samples	<p>Accuracy : within ±20%</p> <p>At least two-thirds of QC samples and at least 50% at each concentration level meet the criteria.</p>	<p>Accuracy : within ±20%</p> <p>At least 67% of QC samples and at least 50% at each concentration level meet the criteria.</p>	<p>Accuracy : within ±20%</p> <p>At least 67% of QC samples and at least 50% at each concentration level meet the criteria.</p>

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Reporting



MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA 2011	FDA draft 2013
Study sample analysis report <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Summary of the study sample analysis• Information on the reference standards• Information on the blank matrices• Information on receipt and storage of study samples• Analytical method• Parameters, acceptance criteria, and results of the validity evaluation• Results and discussion of study sample analysis• Rejected runs together with the reason for rejection• Information on reanalysis• Deviations from the protocol and/or SOP, along with impact on study results• Information on reference study, protocol, and literature• Representative chromatograms, as needed	Similar to JPN guideline	Similar to JPN guideline + More detailed requirement for summary table.

Points to Note



Reanalysis

MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA 2011	FDA draft 2013
Possible reason, procedure and criteria should be defined a priori.	Similar to JPN guideline	Similar to JPN guideline Clearly mentioned the number of replicates for reassays. No special description about safety concerns.

Carryover

MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA 2011	FDA draft 2013
If carry-over is inevitable, its impact needs to be examined.	Similar to JPN guideline	None

Crosstalk

MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA 2011	FDA draft 2013
If crosstalk is inevitable, its impact needs to be examined.	Similar to JPN guideline	None

Points to Note



Interfering substance

MHLW (LBA) 2014	EMA 2011	FDA draft 2013
If interfering substances (e.g. soluble ligand, ADAs) are potentially present in study samples, it is advisable to examine the impact.	None Included in selectivity section.	None Included in selectivity section.