

# Open Systems Pharmacology Software Release Management and (Re-)Qualification Framework

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- Quality Assurance of Software Changes and Software Releases
  - ✓ OSP Qualification Framework
- OSP Release Planning and Roadmap
  - ✓ Integration of your feature requests



# Validation and qualification of software changes and releases





OSP Suite is an open-source platform that is developed in a fully transparent manner on **GitHub** (the largest hosting platform for open-source software).

Two main steps are used to ensure the quality of the OSP Suite: Validation and Qualification.

➤ <u>Platform Validation</u>: refers to the process of confirming that the PBPK software platform accurately represents the mathematical models and algorithms it is intended to implement.

This includes verifying that the software correctly performs the calculations and simulations based on the underlying physiological and pharmacokinetic principles.

➤ <u>Platform Qualification</u> for intended use: involves demonstrating that the PBPK software platform is suitable for the specific research or regulatory purpose for which it is intended.

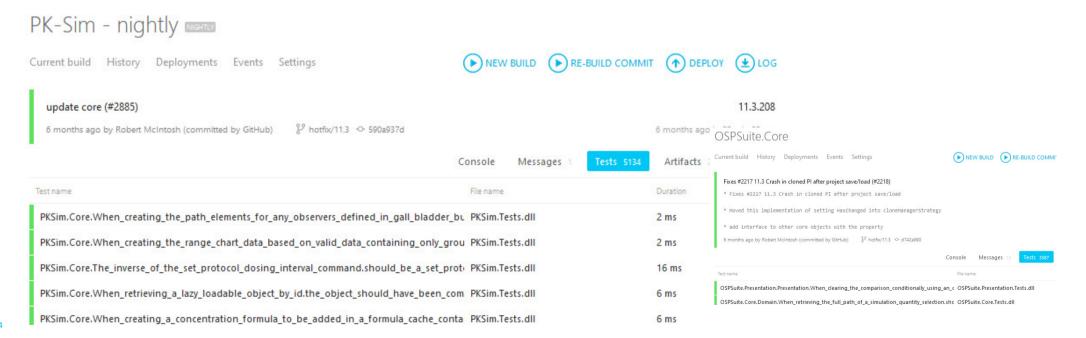
This goes beyond general validation and includes assessments of the platform's features, functionalities and performance metrics in the context of specific use cases.

For example, if a platform is intended to predict drug-drug interactions, qualification would include demonstrating that it can accurately model and predict these interactions for a range of compounds.





- 1. Automated testing of the correct behavior of software modules.
  - Tests (unit tests, integration tests...) are triggered with every software build (e.g. about 11600 automated tests for the 11.3 release).
  - New changes are integrated only if all tests are passed.
  - Full test logs for every software build and release are documented on GitHub and available for anyone to view.







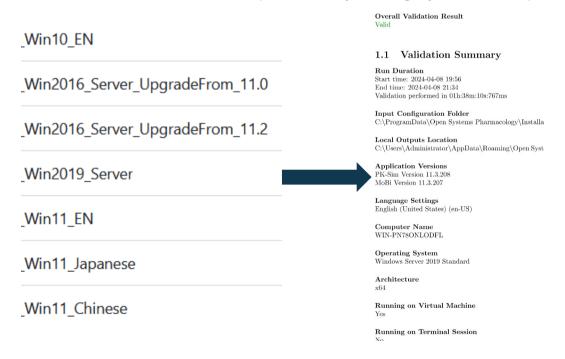
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13	Human_SingleORAL_Weibull_AsSuspention	4Comp	3	fu/MW/Lipo	ICRP_2002	MALE	30					small	Acid	RR	Standard		Single	Oral	Weibull
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5		4Comp	1		Rat							small	Acid	RR	Standard		DI_6_6_12		Dissolve
6	Rat_MultiORAL_8_8_8_Dissolved	4Comp	1		Rat							small	Acid	RR	Standard		DI_8_8_8	Oral	Dissolve
7	SingleIV_2Pores_Human	TwoPores	4	Kd (FcRn)_endo C_FcRn_endo(0)		MALE	30					Large	Acid	Standard	Standard		Single	IntravenousBolus	
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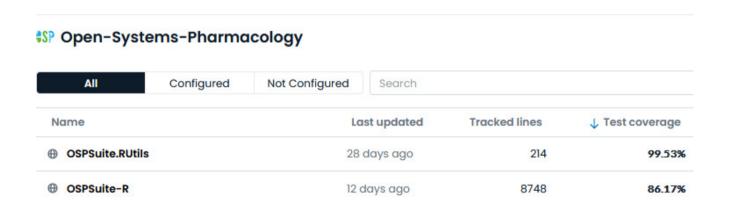
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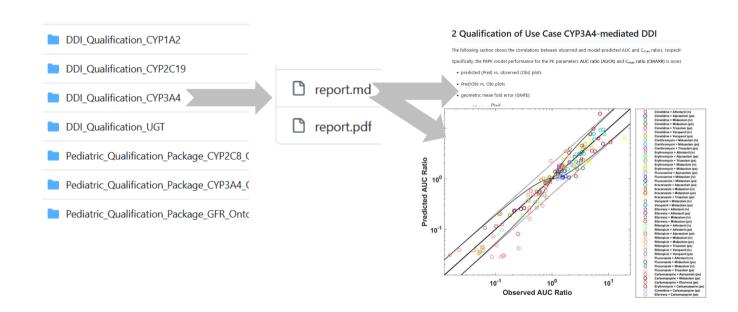


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- 5. (Manual) testing of new features by scientific experts.





- Qualification of OSP Suite functionality is accomplished by running "Qualification for Intended Use" scenarios and generating qualification reports via the fully automated OSP (RE-)Qualification Framework.
- Once a use case is qualified for its purpose, changes and updates to the PBPK platform (e.g., model structure adjusted, model parameterization changed, new software version released) require Requalification.



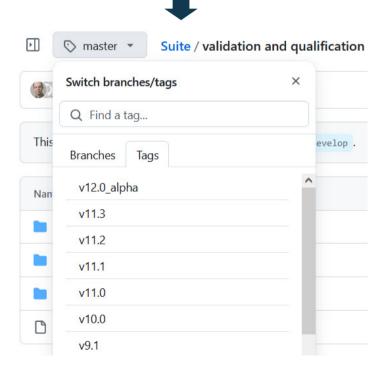


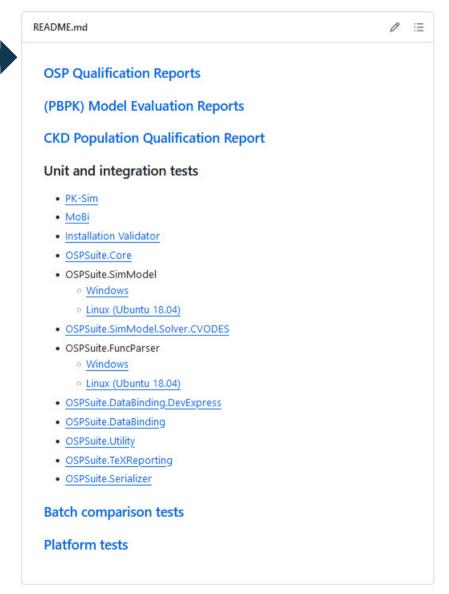
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All final validation/qualification test logs for the latest release of the Suite are documented on GitHub under

https://tinyurl.com/osp-release-validation

➤ Test protocols for previous Suite releases are stored in the tags of the same repository <a href="https://tinyurl.com/osp-release-tags">https://tinyurl.com/osp-release-tags</a>



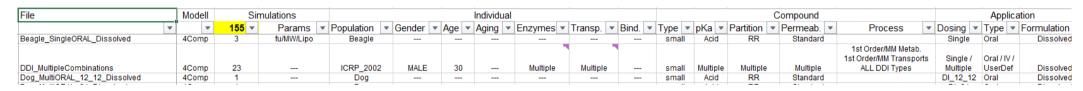


### Validation and Qualification

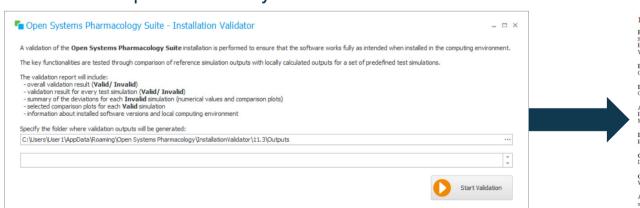


Installation validation on a target system is ensured by the fully automated Installation Validator tool installed as part of the OSP Suite.

A set of predefined (PBPK) models is being created and simulated in a target modeling environment.



- Simulation results are compared to the *reference simulation results* (reference simulation results are created and validated during the OSP Release validation).
- A validation report is generated for the target environment.
- The whole process is fully automated.



### Chapter 1

### Installation Validation Results

Overall Validation Result
Valid

1.1 Validation Summary

Run Duration
Start time: 2024-04-08 07:52
End time: 2024-04-08 07:52
Validation performed in 01h:57m:29s:783ms

Input Configuration Folder
C\ProgramData\Qrea Systems Pharmacology\InstallationValidator\11.3\Inputs\BatchFiles

Local Outputs Location
C\Users\User\Local Application Versions
PK-Sim Version 11.3-208
MoBi Version 11.3-208
MoBi Version 11.3-207

Language Settings
English (Germany) (en-DE)

Computer Name
DESKTOP-CF7981D

Operating System
Windows 10 Enterprise

Architecture
x64



## OSP Qualification Framework

## OSP Qualification Framework: Main Workflow



OSP Qualification Framework provides an automated workflow that generates comprehensive **qualification reports** based on prespecified dedicated **qualification plans**.

Qualification report is a document structured in chapters, starting with a short description of the scientific background of the qualification scenario, followed by a short methodological description (e.g. modeling strategy, available data) and a presentation of the results.

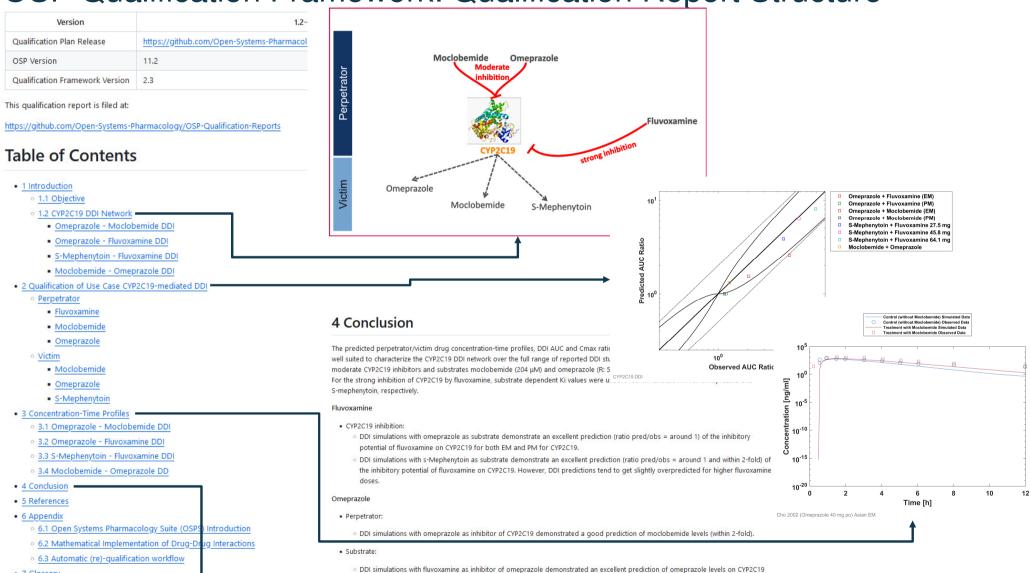
### Qualification plan

- is a human-readable document (in JSON format) that contains all the information needed to generate such a qualification report.
- defines how static text module content and dynamic simulation-based content are combined:
  - static text modules are taken as is and inserted into the report.
  - dynamic content is re-created each time the qualification workflow is run and may change between OSP versions if there are differences between the previous and new models

Detailed documentation of the OSP Qualification Framework can be found under: https://tinyurl.com/OSP-Qualification-Framework

OSP Qualification Framework: Qualification Report Structure PHARMACOLOGY





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## OSP Qualification Framework: Qualification Plan Structure



```
"Projects": [
      "Id": "Midazolam",
      "Path": "../../Midazolam-Model.json"
"ObservedDataSets": [],
"Sections": [
   {□}},
      "Reference": "methods",
      "Title": "Methods",
      "Sections": [
            "Reference": "modeling-strategy",
            "Title": "Modeling Strategy",
            "Content": "Content/Modeling Strategy.md"
"Plots": {
  "AllPlots": [
         "Project": "Midazolam",
         "Simulation": "Sim 1 - intravenous",
         "SectionReference": "ct-profiles"
   "GOFMergedPlots": [],
   "ComparisonTimeProfilePlots": [],
   "DDIRatioPlots": [],
  "PKRatioPlots": []
"Inputs": [
      "Project": "Midazolam",
      "Name": "Midazolam",
      "Type": "Compound",
      "SectionReference": "final-input-parameters"
```

- Projects: project snapshots (see next slide) used in the qualification scenario.
- ObservedDataSets: additional pharmacokinetic (PK) observed data sets which are not directly included in the above projects.
- Sections: defines the chapter structure of a report. Each section can contain a reference to a **static** content file that is generated at the beginning of the chapter and the list of subchapters. All **dynamically** generated content (plots, tables, parameterization of the building blocks/simulations etc.) must have a chapter reference within the qualification plan.
- ➤ **Plots**: type of plots (and some additional related information like tables and qualification measures) to be generated for the report.
- Inputs: specifies which building blocks and/or simulations should be described in the report.

Detailed documentation of the qualification plan structure: https://tinyurl.com/OSP-Qualification-Plan



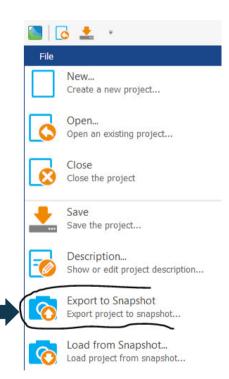


A *project snapshot* contains the **minimal amount of information** needed to recreate the project from scratch. This includes:

- the information on primary substance specific input parameters (e.g. molecular properties like molecular weight, lipophilicity, etc.) and required inputs (e.g. demographic characteristics) to define the system parameters. In addition, any changes made in the existing model, such as a change in liver volume, that is not a default value, are stored in the snapshot and included in the new model once recreated from the snapshot
- Observed data sets used in the project
- Full configuration of plots (selected outputs, plot settings etc.)
- Parameter identifications used in the project

Projects snapshots can be created directly from PK-Sim:

(s. https://tinyurl.com/PK-Sim-Snapshot for more details)



### OSP Qualification Framework: Edit Qualification Plan



- Dedicated tool under development (to be released in 2025)
- Currently the best way to edit qualification plans is to use Visual Studio Code (VSCode) (free tool from Microsoft, <a href="https://code.visualstudio.com/Download">https://code.visualstudio.com/Download</a>).
- OSP provides some extensions for VSCode, that allow to extend/modify qualification plans in a fast and convenient way (described in detail here: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/edit-qualification-plan">https://tinyurl.com/edit-qualification-plan</a>).
- ➤ When creating a new model repository on GitHub: use the **model template** repository. This will create a default qualification plan for the model (*model evaluation plan*), which then needs to be customized.

### Create a new repository

A repository contains all project files, including the revision history. Already have a project Import a repository. Repository template 🟂 Evaluation-plan-template Start your repository with a template repository's contents. Name Evaluation \$\$P Open-Systems-Pharmacology/Evaluation-plan-template Content evaluation\_plan.json ☐ Include all branches Content Copy all branches from Open-Systems-Pharmacology/Evaluation-plan-template and not just the Owner \* Repository name \* Test-Model SP Open-Systems-Pharmacology •





- Qualification plans are executed in R via the OSP Reporting Engine (RE) (R package ospsuite.reportingengine)
  - Install RE following the instructions under <a href="https://tinyurl.com/OSP-RE-Install">https://tinyurl.com/OSP-RE-Install</a>
  - Install OSP Qualification Runner from <a href="https://tinyurl.com/OSP-Qualification-Runner">https://tinyurl.com/OSP-Qualification-Runner</a>
  - OSP Suite must be installed as well
- To execute a qualification plan and create a report in Markdown format (plus optionally in MS-Word format)
  - Download the template for the createQualificationReport function from <a href="https://tinyurl.com/OSP-Qualification-Template">https://tinyurl.com/OSP-Qualification-Template</a> and save it e.g. as Workflow.R
  - Adjust Workflow.R if required (s. comments in the template)
  - Execute createQualificationReport the function

```
> library(ospsuite.reportingengine)
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<sup>&</sup>gt; createQualificationReport(qualificationRunnerFolder = "C:/QualificationRunner\_11.1.130/",
 maxSimulationsPerCore = 4, versionInfo = QualificationVersionInfo\$new(qualificationPlanRelease =
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# OSP Release Planning and Roadmap



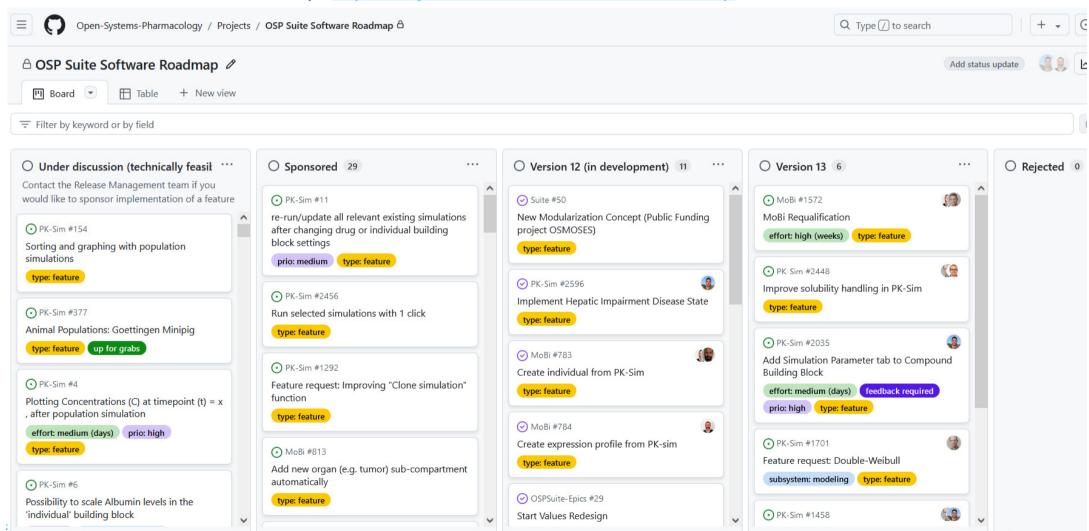


- Management Team (MT), Sounding Board (SB), OSP Community Members (OSP Members), Users
- Focus Groups (FG)
  - Conceptualize and coordinate activities of the respective field
  - For the full list of focus groups, along with their assignments and leaders, please visit https://github.com/Open-Systems-Pharmacology/Roadmap
  - FG "Suite Release Management and Software Usability" manages
    - The release process of the OSP Suite and further OSP software components
    - Design, development, maintenance, and testing of software architecture / Infrastructure / User Interface
    - Operation of software integration platform
    - Implementation and integration of Application workflows and methods
    - Members
      - Michael Sevestre (Design2Code; GitHub-Userld: msevestre)
      - Pavel Balazki (ESQlabs: GiitHub-Userld: PavelBal)
      - Robert McIntosh (ESQlabs; GitHub-UserId: rwmcintosh)
      - Juri Solodenko (Lead; Bayer; GitHub-Userld: Yuri05)
- Core Developers (DEV)
  - Development and testing of OSP software platform and tools
  - Review of proposed software changes and their integration into the platform



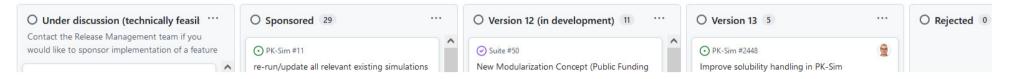


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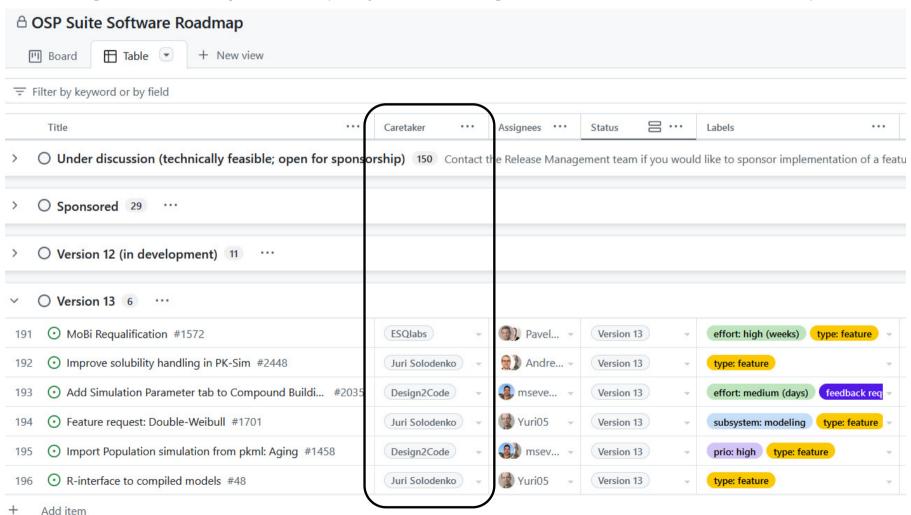


- 1. If you have a feature wish: enter it either in the OSP forum or as an issue in one of the repositories
  - http://forum.open-systems-pharmacology.org
  - https://github.com/Open-Systems-Pharmacology/PK-Sim/issues
  - https://github.com/Open-Systems-Pharmacology/MoBi/issues
  - ...
- 2. New feature wishes are periodically screened by the Release Management Focus Group (FG-RM)
  - Features which are absolutely not feasible/impossible to integrate get the status "Rejected" on the roadmap (extremely rare)
  - All other features get the status "Under discussion (technically feasible; open for sponsorship)"
- 3. Each feature to be implemented needs a (financial) sponsor. If you want to sponsor a feature: inform the FG-RM. The feature will then get the status "**Sponsored**" (and you will be assigned as the "Caretaker" of this feature).



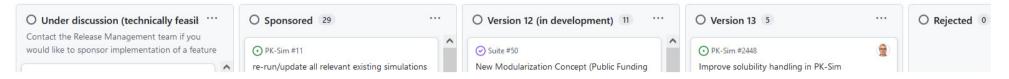


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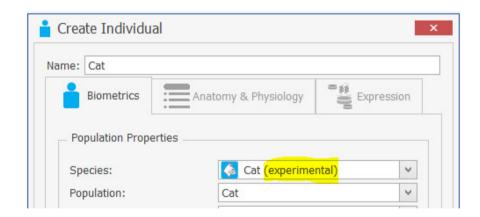


- 4. Find resources to implement the scientific part of the feature (if applicable), e.g.
  - Collect required data (anatomical/physiological parameters) for integration of a new species or population.
  - Create a prototype in MoBi (starting with OSP version 12: as a new module(s)) for adjustments/extensions of a PBPK model.
- Develop a validation/verification (not a qualification) strategy. E.g.: paper(s) where a model extension was described must be reproduced with acceptable error tolerance.
- 6. Find resources to implement the **technical** (software) part of the feature and inform the FG-RM.
- 7. FG-RM will decide if it's feasible to integrate the feature in the current release or in the next release. The feature will then get the status "Version N" or "Version N+1" (where N is the currently developed version)





- 8. New feature might affect existing models! If the requalification of existing models is not satisfying:
  - Some of the models must be recalibrated (e.g. refit previously fitted model parameters).
  - And/Or the implementation of the new feature must be revised.
- 9. When the newly developed feature is integrated into the software, it might require development of new qualification scenarios (e.g. when integrating a new animal species or new human population).
  - Until the qualification is performed: new feature will be marked as "experimental" in the software.



10. Once the qualification of the new feature is performed: the "experimental" flag will be removed from the software.