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Question Set/Points

- I. 15 pts
- II. 10 pts
- III. 10 pts
- IV. 6 pts
- V. 15 pts
- VI. 15 pts
- VII. 10 pts
- VIII. 4 pts
- IX. 5 pts

TOTAL: 90 pts

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Question Set I (True or False)

(15 points)

True (A) or False (B). On the bubble sheet mark *A for true* or *B for false*

- 1: T F A water-soluble drug will pass across muscle membranes faster than across brain membranes (assume permeability-rate limitations).
- 2: T F A neutral, lipophilic drug is likely to be absorbed faster in the intestines than in the stomach. Remember that stomach and intestine differ in their properties.
- 3: T F Lipophilic drugs are generally taken up fast by highly perfused organs.
- 4: T F Ionized and lipophilic drugs are most likely to cross most membrane barriers.
- 5: T F Drugs with a high tissue binding always have a large volume of distribution.

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Question Set II

(10 points)

- 6: J. Mary was admitted into hospital due to drug intoxication. Her body weight is 60kg. Drug U5127 was used to control the symptoms. U5127 is administered via IV bolus at a dose of 0.25 mg/kg. After drug exposure, they found that U5127 concentration-time profile can be best described by one-compartmental linear model with the equation, $\{ C = 0.33 \cdot e^{-0.116t}$ (Unit: mg/L)}, where C represents U5127 concentration at time t (hr). Calculate U5127 volume of distribution.

- A: 45 L
B: 0.76 L
C: 38 L
D: 18 L
E: none of the above

Answer: A

$$Dose : 60 \cdot 0.25 = 15(mg)$$

According to the equation: $C = 0.33 \cdot e^{-0.116t}$, and equation for standard one-compartment model: $C = C_0 \cdot e^{-K_e \cdot t}$, then:

$$C_0 = 0.33(mg / L)$$

$$V_d = \frac{Dose}{C_0}$$

$$V_d = \frac{15}{0.33} = 45(L)$$

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Question Set III

(10 points)

7: Quinidine is bound to both of plasma albumin and alpha-1-acid glycoprotein. In patients with chronic liver disease plasma protein binding is decreased by 20%. How will the volume of distribution change in patients? (Assume the fraction unbound in tissue is 70% in both patients and normal subjects, and the fraction bound in plasma is 80% in normal subjects.)

- A: Increase to 37.74 L
- B: Increase to 22.54 L
- C: Stay the same as 13.86 L
- D: Stay the same as 46.43 L
- E: Decrease to 11.69 L

Answer: B

80% of plasma protein binding is used for calculation of normal people

$$V_d = V_p + V_t * F_u / F_{u,t}$$

$$V_d = 3 + 38 * 0.2 / 0.7 = 13.86 \text{ L (normal patient)}$$

$$V_d = 3 + 38 * 0.36 / 0.7 = 22.54 \text{ L (in patients with chronic liver disease)}$$

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Question Set IV (True or False)

(6 points)

True (A) or False (B). On the bubble sheet mark *A* for true or *B* for false

- 8: T F Compared to skin, liver would have a higher rate of uptake of perfusion-limited lipophilic drugs due to its higher blood flow rate.
- 9: T F Distribution to a specific tissue for permeability-limited hydrophilic drugs depends on how much and how quickly the blood gets to the specific tissue.
- 10: T F Perfusion limited distribution is a type of drug distribution into tissue that occurs when the drug is able to cross membranes easily.

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Question Set V (True or False)

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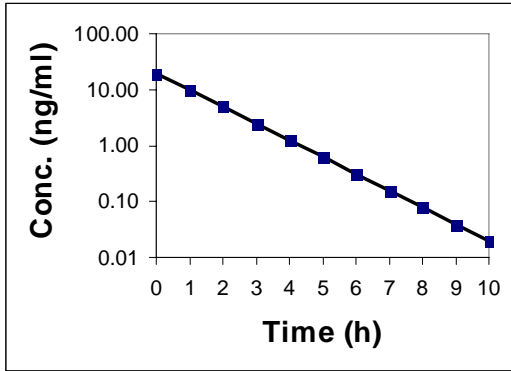


Figure A

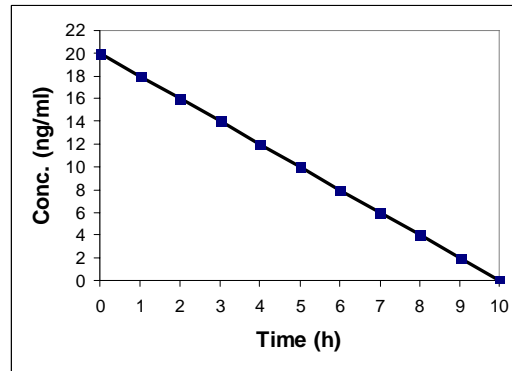


Figure B

True (A) or False (B). On the bubble sheet mark A for true or B for false

- 11: T F Figure A shows a first order elimination process, and k_e has a unit of hr^{-1} .
- 12: T F Figure B shows a zero order elimination process, and k_e has a unit of hr^{-1} .
- 13: T F In Figure B, the fraction of drug eliminated per hour is constant.
- 14: T F In Figure A, the eliminated drug amount per hour is changing.
- 15: T F In Figure A, the rate of elimination is dependent of amount of drug in body.

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Question Set VI

(15 points)

16: A 25 yr old, 70 kg male patient with gram-negative pneumonia, was being treated with gentamicin. Gentamicin had been given as an iv bolus (2 mg/kg). Two samples were taken after dose, and data is shown as following:

Time (h)	Concentration (mg/L)
4	2.5
10	0.5

Calculate the $AUC_{0-\infty}$. (Assume first-order elimination for gentamicin, and please use trapezoidal rule to calculate.)

- A: 30.5 mg/L*hr
 B: 34.1 mg/L*hr
 C: 19.6 mg/L*hr
 D: 9.0 mg/L*hr
 E: none of the above

Answer: A

First, need to find out the drug concentration at time zero (C_0),

$$k_e = \frac{\ln(C_2/C_1)}{(t_1 - t_2)} = \frac{\ln(0.5/2.5)}{(4 - 10)} = 0.268 \text{ h}^{-1}$$

$$C_t = C_0 \cdot e^{-k_e \cdot t}$$

$$C_0 = C_t \cdot e^{k_e \cdot t} = 2.5 \cdot e^{0.268 \times 4} = 7.303 \text{ mg/L}$$

Then, using trapezoidal rule: $AUC_{t_1-t_2} = \frac{(C_1 + C_2)}{2} \cdot (t_2 - t_1)$

Time (h)	Conc(mg/L)	$AUC_{t_1-t_2}$
0	7.303	
4	2.5	19.606
10	0.5	9
AUC_{0-10}		28.606

$$AUC_{10-\infty} = \frac{C_x}{k_e} = \frac{0.5}{0.268} = 1.866 \text{ mg}^* \text{h/L.}$$

$$AUC_{0-\infty} = AUC_{0-10} + AUC_{10-\infty} = 28.606 + 1.866 = \mathbf{30.5 \text{ mg}^* \text{h/L.}}$$

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Question Set VII

(10 points)

17: A 100 mg dose of a drug was administered to two patients by IV bolus injection. For patients A and B, the initial concentrations (C_0) were 1.25mg/L and 2.5mg/L, respectively. This drug follows a one-compartment body model, crosses membranes easily, distributes well into all tissues, and is around 50% bound to plasma proteins. Why is the initial plasma concentration different for these two patients? Select the correct answer from below.

- A: Patient B has more fat tissue than Patient A.
- B: Plasma unbound fraction in Patient B is higher than that in Patient A.
- C: **Tissue unbound fraction in Patient B is higher than that in Patient A.**
- D: Patient B has larger volume of distribution than Patient A.
- E: None of Above

Answer: C

For a dose administered IV bolus, $C_p(0) = \frac{D}{V_d}$

Since both patients received the same dose and achieved different initial concentrations, V_d must be different for these two patients. V_d may be calculated by rearranging the equation above to

give $V_d = \frac{D}{C_p(0)}$

For patient A, $V_d = \frac{100mg}{1.25mg / L} = 80L$

For patient B, $V_d = \frac{100mg}{2.5mg / L} = 40L$

For a drug that distributes well into all tissues and crosses membranes easily, the tissue volume into which a drug may distribute is 38 L (total tissue water). Plasma volume is 3 L. The volume

of distribution may be related to these plasma and tissue volumes by $V_d = V_p + V_T \cdot \frac{f_u}{f_{u_T}}$

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f_u is given as 0.5. If we assume a tissue water volume of 38L for both patients, f_{u_T} must be different in these patients. The expression above may be rearranged to give.

$$f_{u_T} = \frac{V_T \cdot f_u}{(V_d - V_p)}$$

$$\text{For patient A, } f_{u_T} = \frac{(38L)(0.5)}{(80L - 3L)} = 0.25$$

$$\text{For patient B, } f_{u_T} = \frac{(38L)(0.5)}{(40L - 3L)} = 0.51$$

Thus, the difference in V_d 's may be explained by the 2-fold difference in tissue binding of the drug. (An alternative hypothesis is that patient A has more fat tissue leading to more binding of the drug. If more drug is bound, the free fraction decreases.)

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Question Set VIII

(4 points)

18: Given a lipophilic drug that can enter all tissues easily, state how the volume of distribution will change under the following condition. If not mentioned, other parameters are assumed to be fixed.

Both f_u and $f_{u,T}$ double

- A: Increase;
- B: Decrease
- C: No change
- D: Not enough information given to answer question

Answer: C

$$V_p(\leftrightarrow) + V_i(\leftrightarrow) \frac{F_u(\uparrow)}{F_{u,T}(\uparrow)} = V(\leftrightarrow)$$

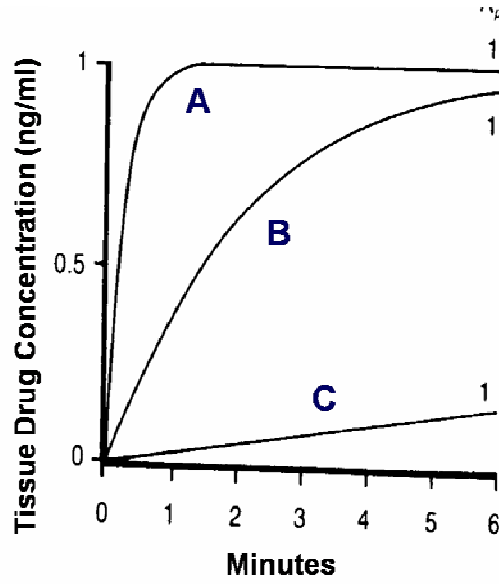
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Question Set IX

(5 points)

19: Drug A follows a perfusion-limited distribution. Drug concentration-time profiles from several tissues (A, B, and C) were plotted as below. Which of following answer is correct?



- A: Tissue A: Brain; Tissue B: Skin; Tissue C: Liver
- B: Tissue A: Skin; Tissue B: Kidneys; Tissue C: Fat
- C: **Tissue A: Lungs; Tissue B: Muscle; Tissue C: Fat**
- D: Tissue A: Kidneys; Tissue B: Fat; Tissue C: Liver
- E: Tissue A: Skin; Tissue B: Muscle; Tissue C: Fat

Answer: C

Blood flow through organs

- Lungs 5000 ml/min
- Liver 1350 ml/min
- Kidneys 1100 ml/min
- Muscle 750 ml/min
- Brain 700 ml/min
- Skin 300 ml/min
- Fat 200 ml/min