

High Throughput Inhalation Toxicokinetics with the HTTK R Package

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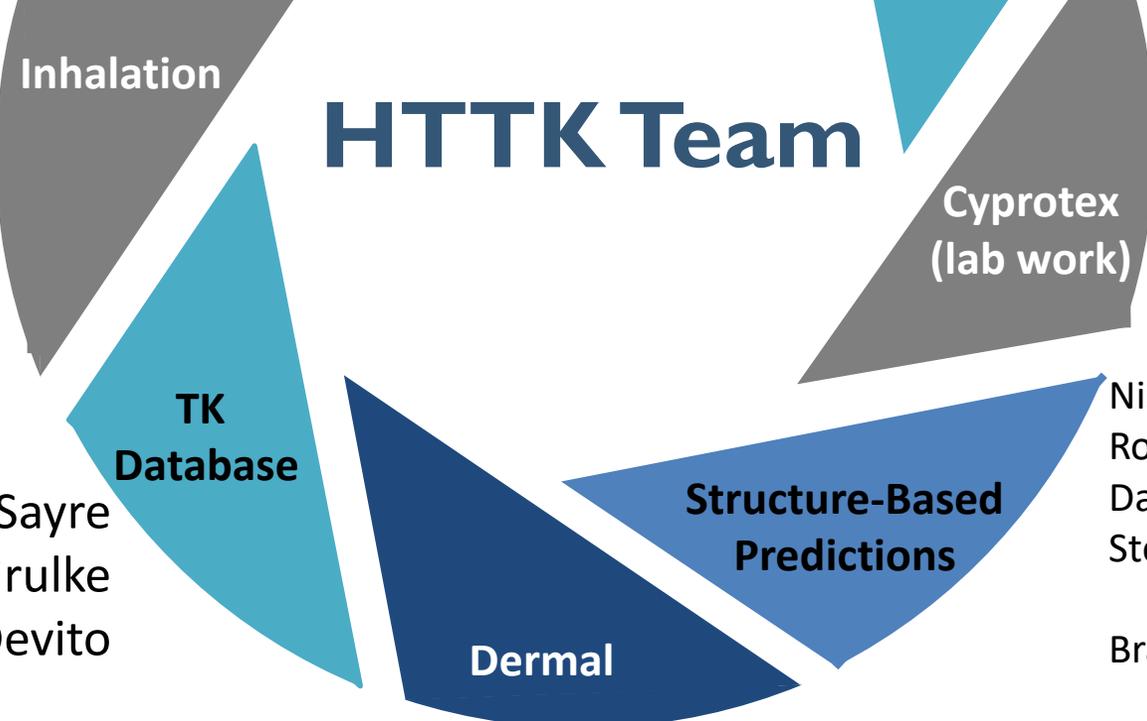
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- Research conducted by a combination of Federal scientists (including uniformed members of the **Public Health Service**); contract researchers; and postdoctoral, graduate student, and post-baccalaureate trainees



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Chemical Regulation in the United States

- Park *et al.* (2012): At least 3221 chemical signatures in pooled human blood samples, many appear to be exogenous
- A tapestry of laws covers the chemicals people are exposed to in the United States (Breyer, 2009)
- Chemical safety testing is primarily for food additives, pharmaceuticals, and pesticide active ingredients (NRC, 2007)
 - Different levels depending on category



Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

- Most other chemicals, ranging from industrial waste to dyes to packing materials, are covered by the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)
- TSCA was updated in June, 2016 to allow more rapid evaluation of chemicals (Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act)

“Tens of thousands of chemicals are listed with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for commercial use in the United States, with an average of 600 new chemicals listed each year.”

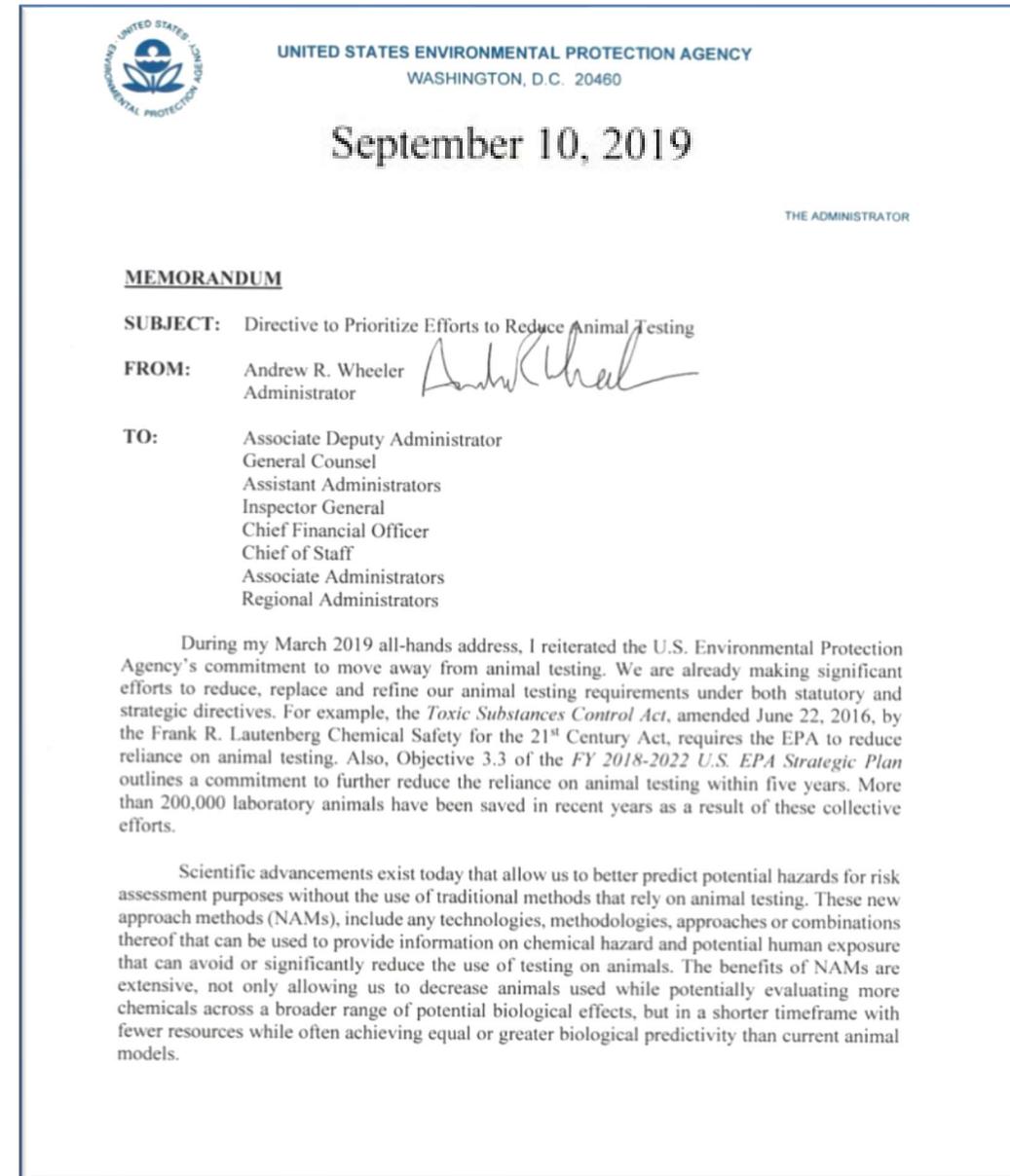
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Schmidt, C. W. (2016)

Replacing Animal Testing with NAMs

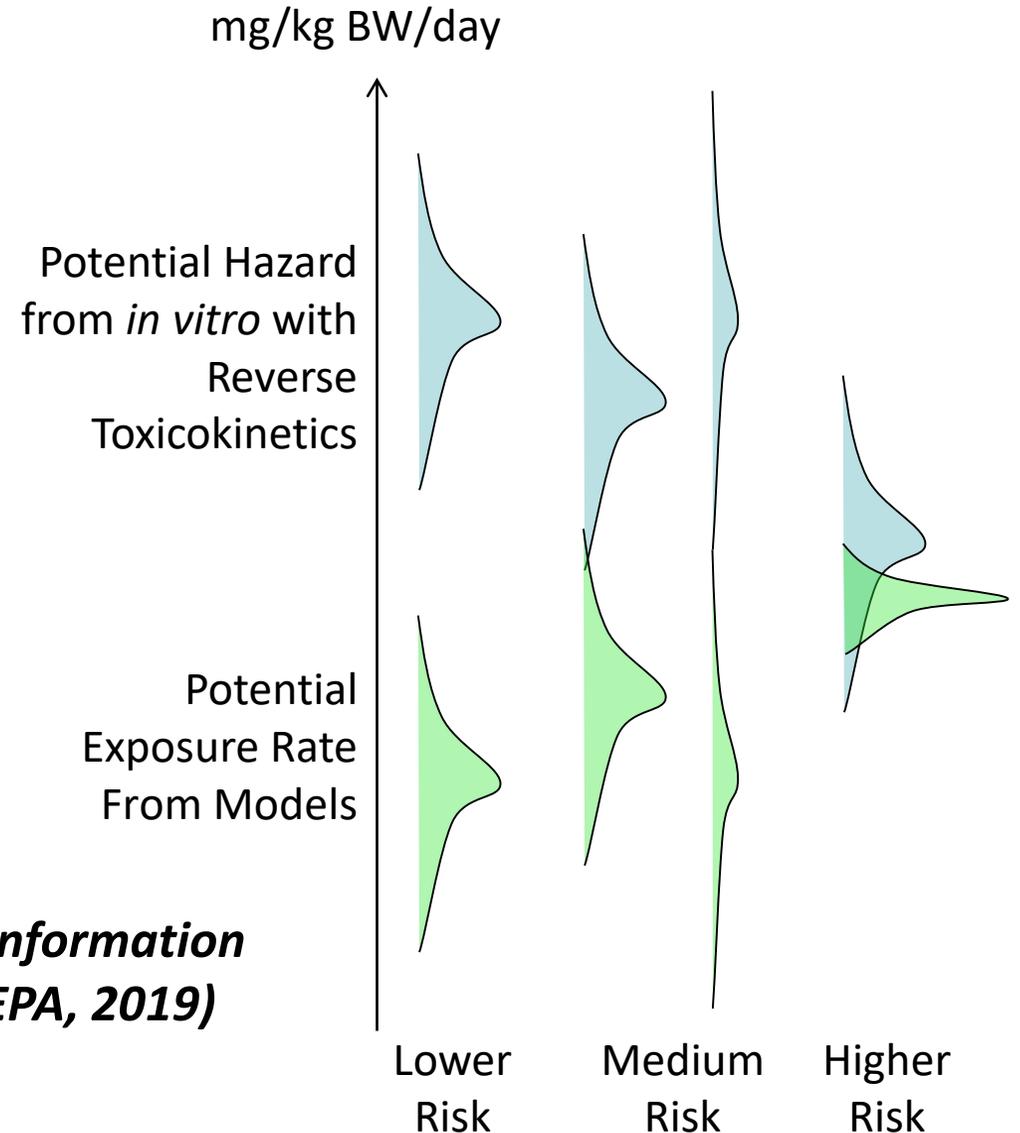
- Administrator of the EPA: “I am directing leadership and staff in the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention and the Office of Research and Development to prioritize ... the reduction of animal testing while ensuring protection of human health and the environment.”
- “These new approach methods (NAMs), include any technologies, methodologies, approaches or combinations thereof that can be used to provide information on chemical hazard and potential human exposure that can avoid or significantly reduce the use of testing on animals”



New Approach Methodologies (NAMs)

- There are roughly 10,000 TSCA-relevant chemicals in commerce
 - Traditional methods are too resource-intensive to address all of these
- NAMs include:
 - High throughput screening (ToxCast)
 - High throughput exposure estimates (ExpoCast)
 - High throughput toxicokinetics (HTTK)
- TSCA Proof of concept: Examine ~200 chemicals with ToxCast, ExpoCast and HTTK
 - HTTK was rate limiter on number of chemicals

“A Proof-of-Concept Case Study Integrating Publicly Available Information to Screen Candidates for Chemical Prioritization under TSCA” (EPA, 2019)



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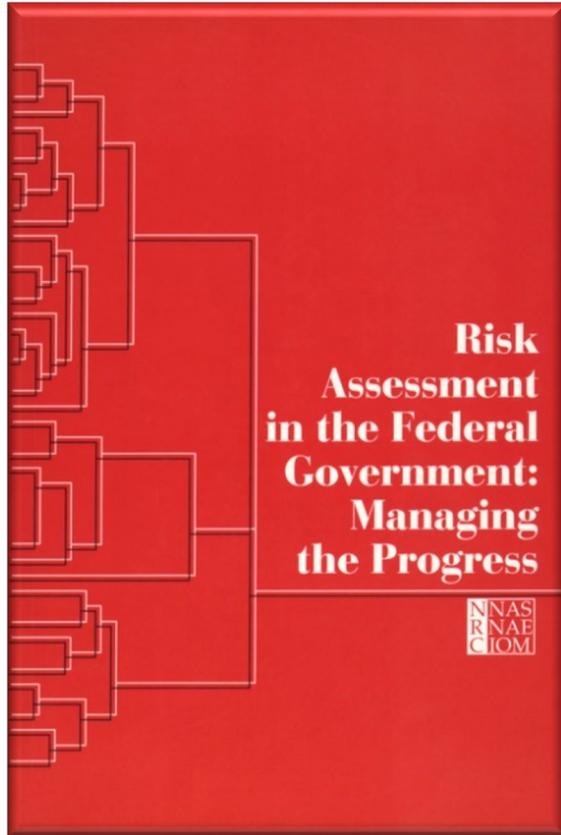
Home Safari

While the Cincinnati Zoo is closed and kids are home from school, let us help make your children's hiatus from school fun and educational.

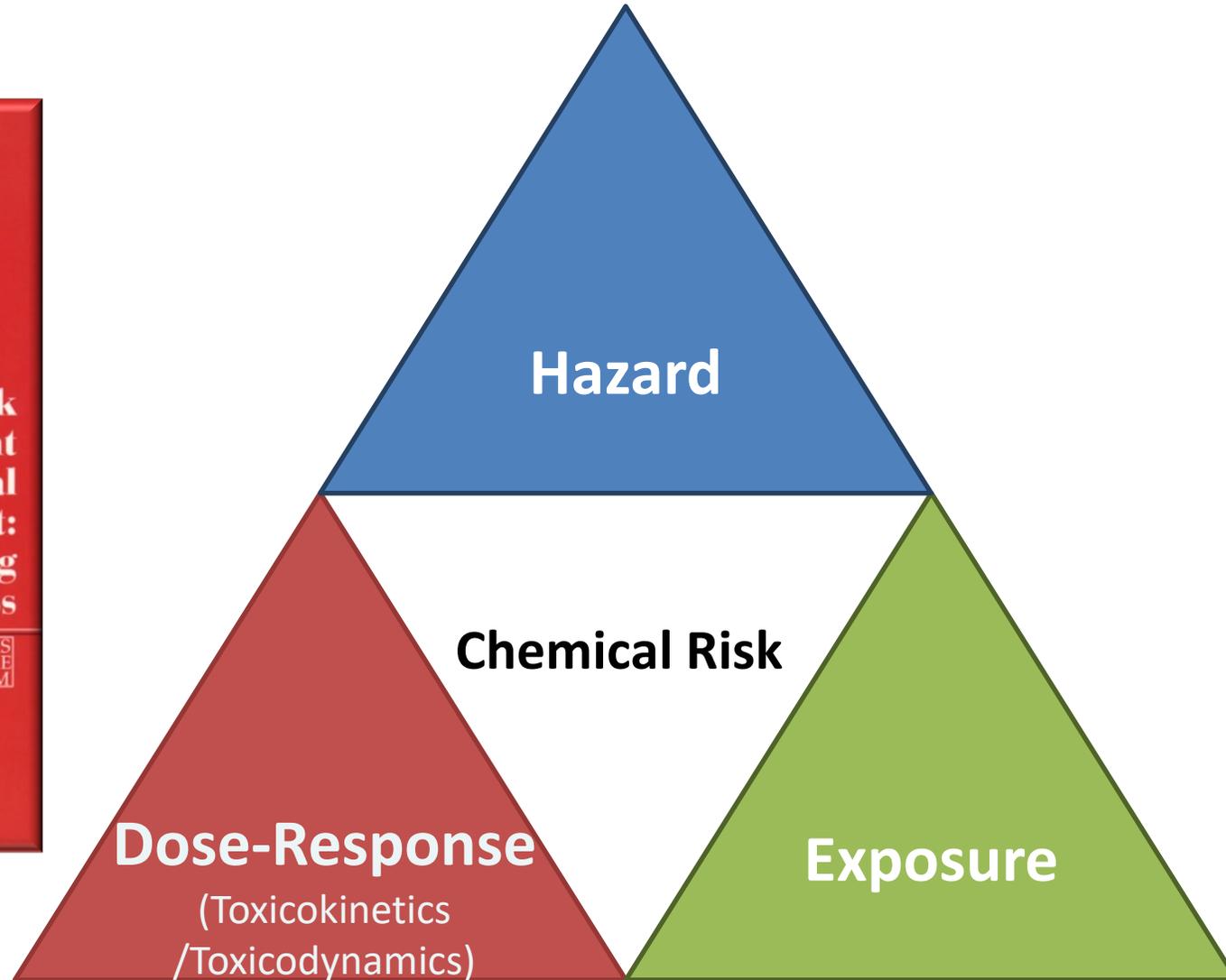
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Three Components for Chemical Risk

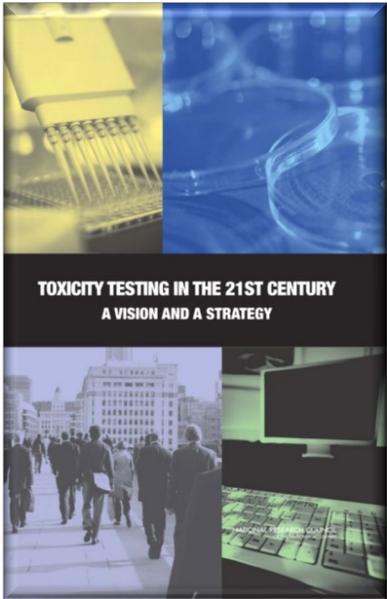


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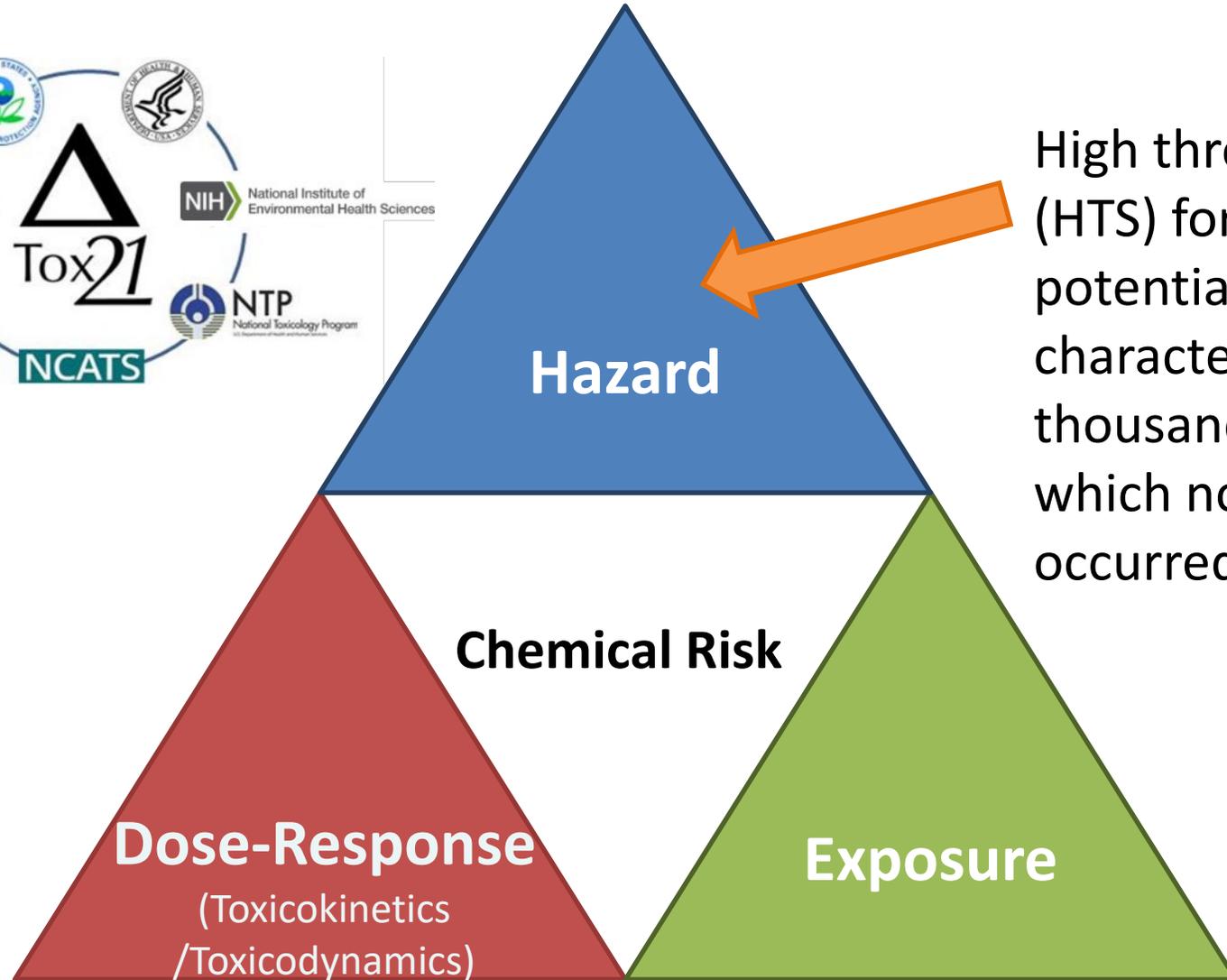


The National Academy of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine (1983) outlined three components for determining chemical risk.

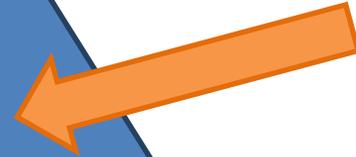
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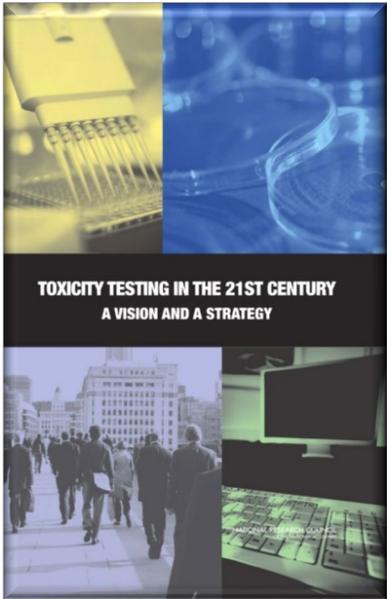
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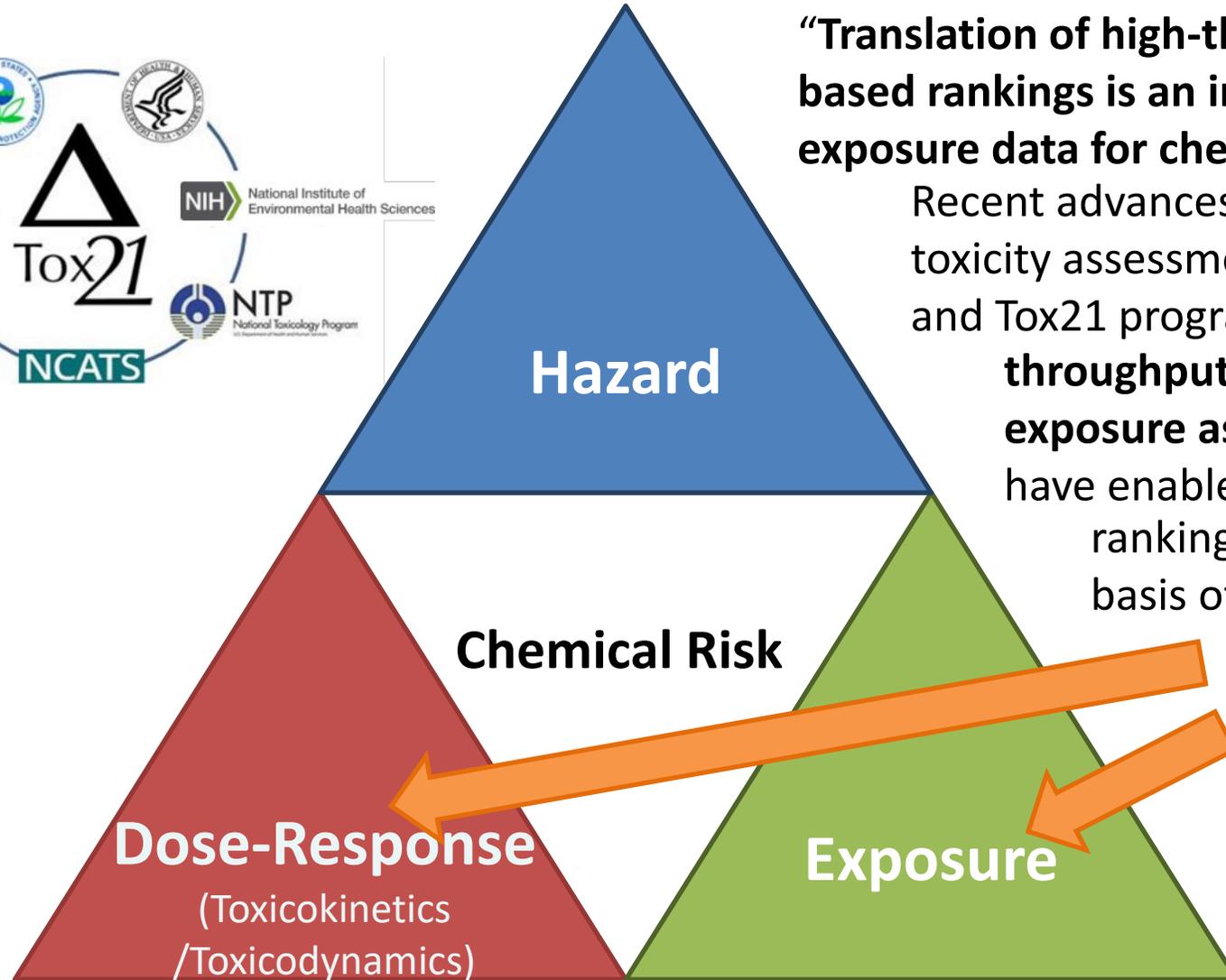
High throughput screening (HTS) for *in vitro* bioactivity potentially allows characterization of thousands of chemicals for which no other testing has occurred



High-Throughput Risk Prioritization



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“Translation of high-throughput data into risk-based rankings is an important application of exposure data for chemical priority-setting.

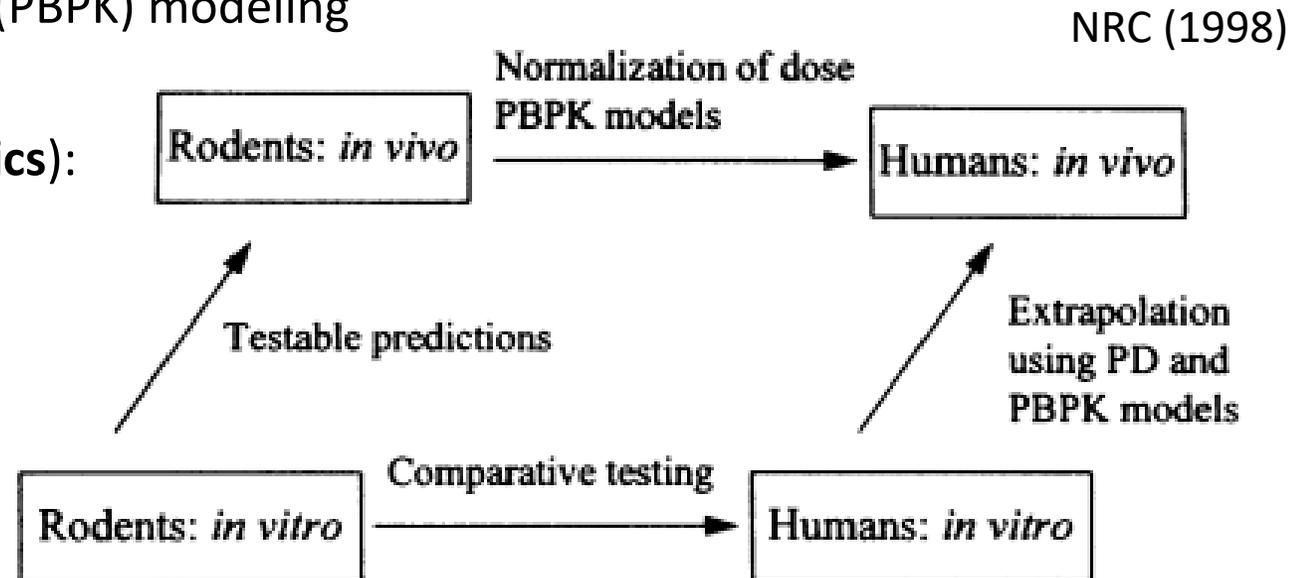
Recent advances in high-throughput toxicity assessment, notably the ToxCast and Tox21 programs... and in **high-throughput computational exposure assessment** [ExpoCast] have enabled first-tier risk-based rankings of chemicals on the basis of margins of exposure”

National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM), 2017

In Vitro - *In Vivo* Extrapolation (IVIVE)

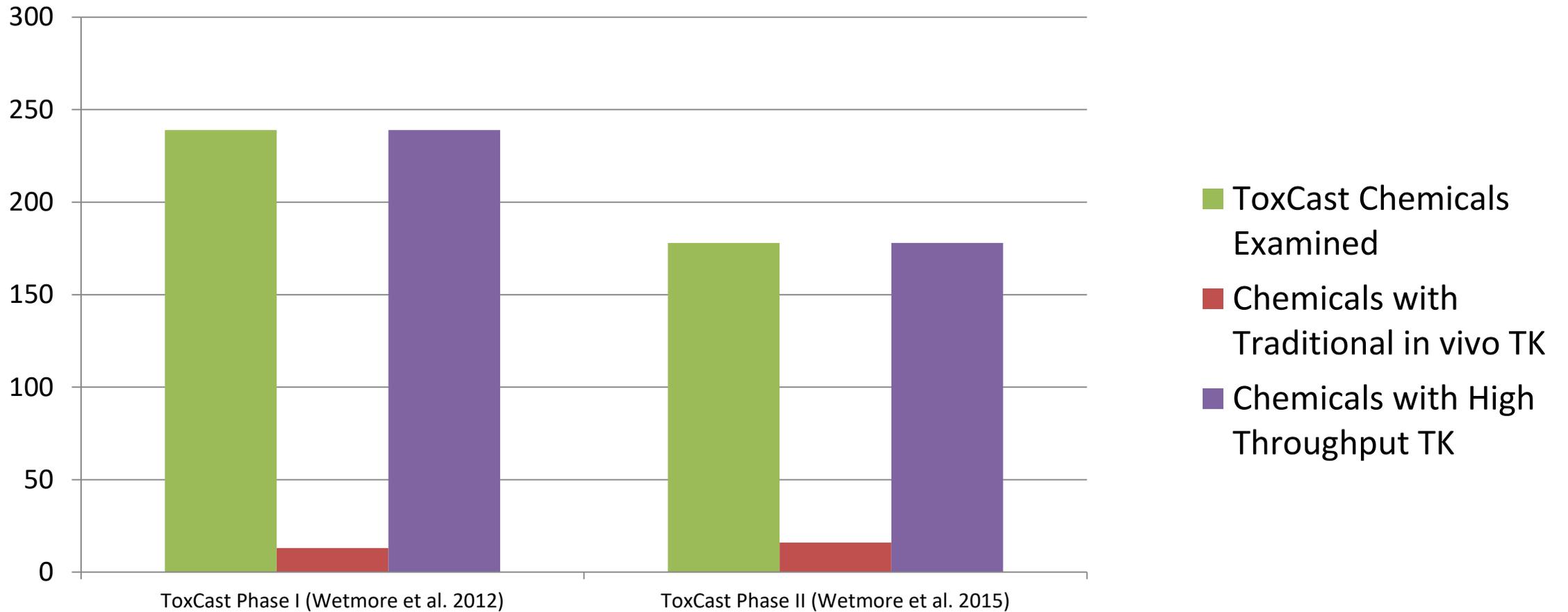
- IVIVE is the use of *in vitro* data to predict phenomena *in vivo*
This can be broken down into two components:
- IVIVE-PK/TK (**Pharmacokinetics/Toxicokinetics**):
 - Fate of molecules/chemicals in body
 - Considers absorption, distribution, metabolism, excretion (ADME)
 - Uses empirical PK and physiologically-based (PBPK) modeling

- IVIVE-PD/TD (**Pharmacodynamics/Toxicodynamics**):
 - Effect of molecules/chemicals at biological target *in vivo*
 - Assay design/selection important
 - Perturbation as adverse/therapeutic effect, reversible/ irreversible effects



The Need for Toxicokinetics NAMs

Most chemicals do not have TK data (Wetmore et al., 2015)



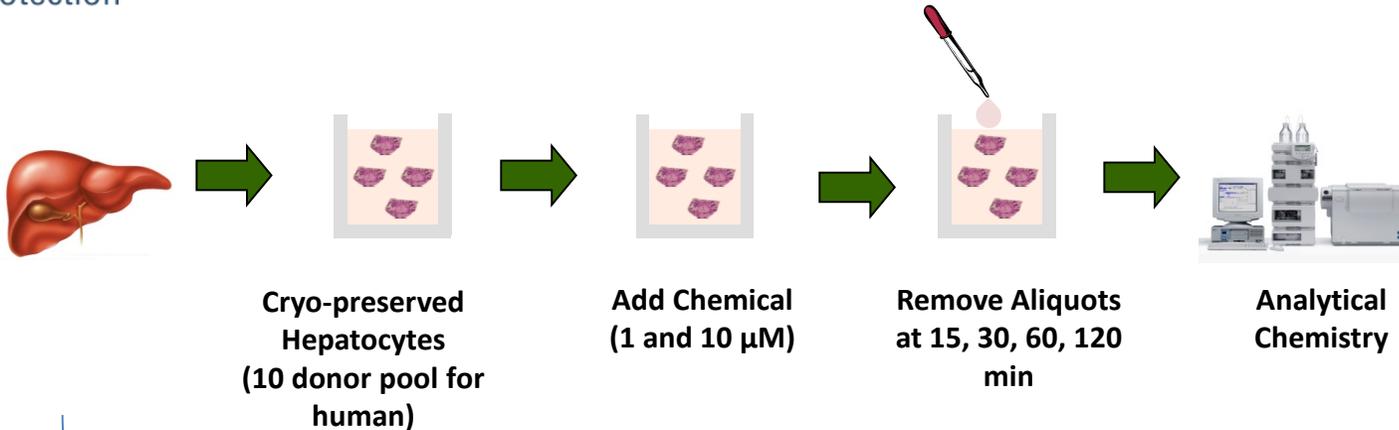
Bell et al. (2018)

NAMs for Toxicokinetics

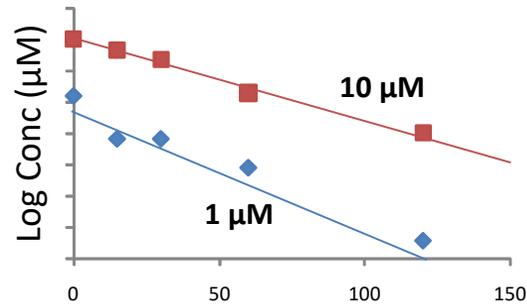
- In order to address greater numbers of chemicals we collect *in vitro*, high throughput toxicokinetic (HTTK) data (for example, Rotroff et al., 2010, Wetmore et al., 2012, 2015)
- HTTK methods have been used by the pharmaceutical industry to determine range of efficacious doses and to prospectively evaluate success of planned clinical trials (Jamei, *et al.*, 2009; Wang, 2010)
- The **primary goal** of HTTK is to provide a human dose context for bioactive *in vitro* concentrations from HTS (that is, *in vitro-in vivo* extrapolation, or **IVIVE**) (for example, Wetmore et al., 2015)
- A **secondary goal** is to provide **open source data and models** for evaluation and use by the broader scientific community (Pearce et al, 2017a)

In Vitro Data for HTTK

Cryo-preserved
hepatocyte
suspension
Shibata *et al.* (2002)



The rate of disappearance of parent compound (slope of line) is the **hepatic clearance** ($\mu\text{L}/\text{min}/10^6$ hepatocytes)

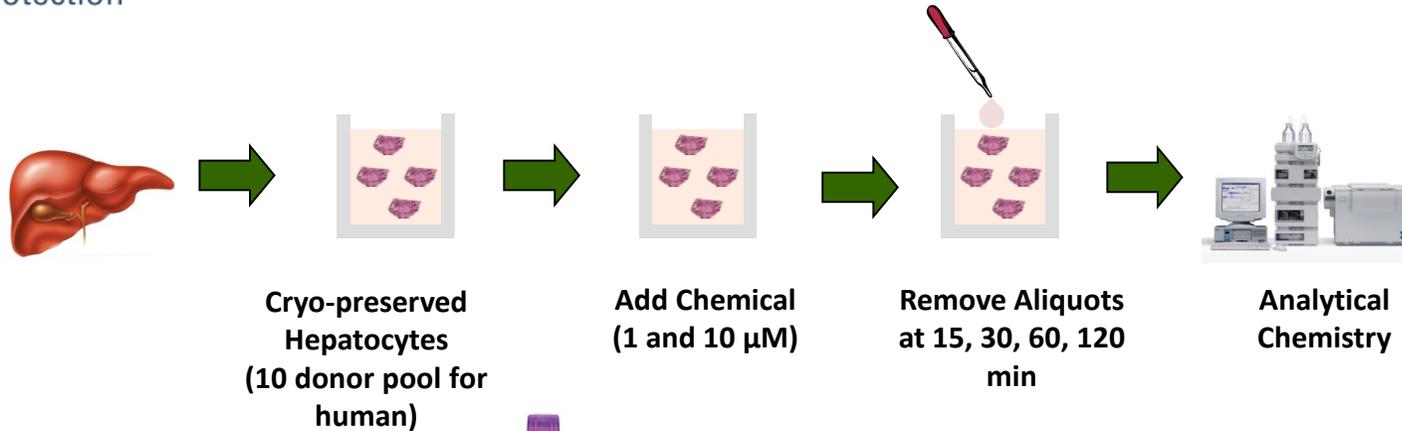


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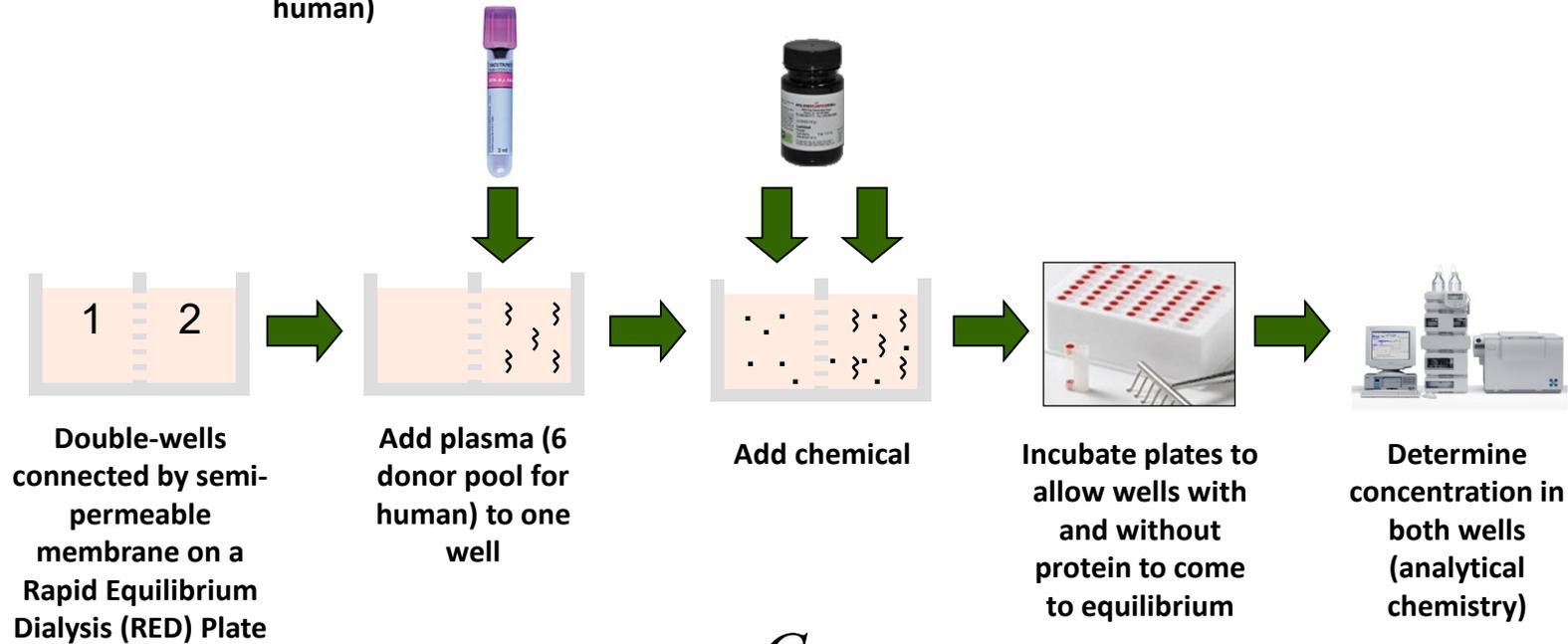
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Waters *et al.* (2008)

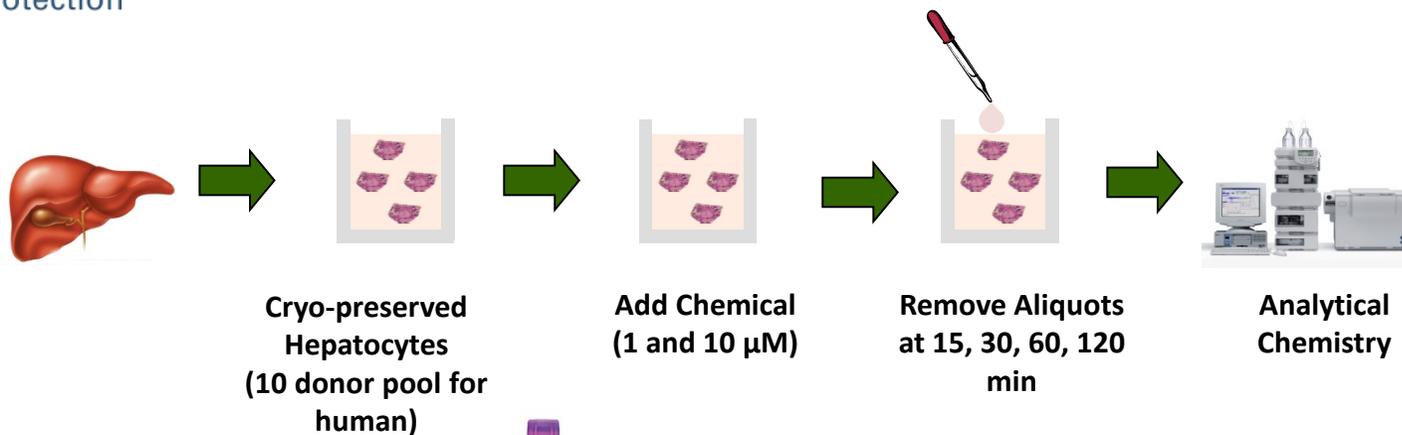


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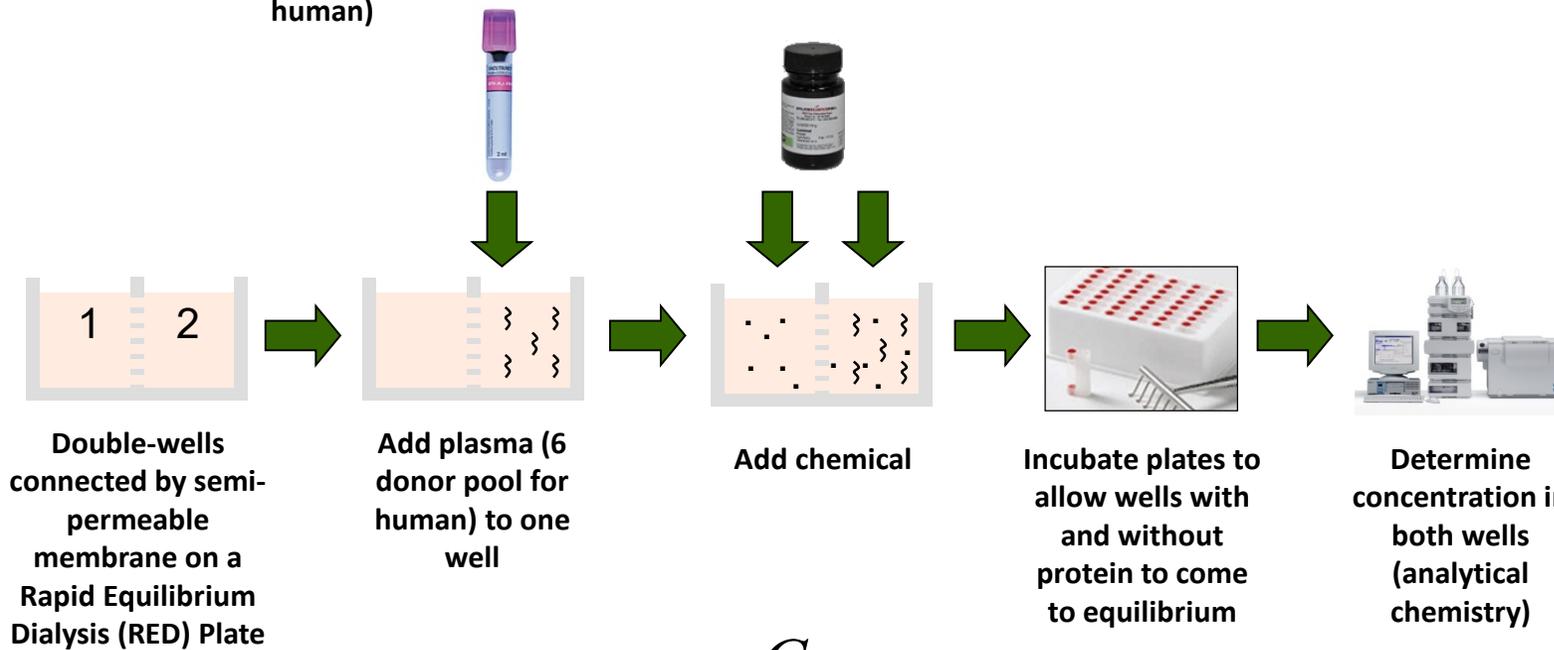
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- Environmental chemicals:
Rotroff *et al.* (2010)
35 chemicals

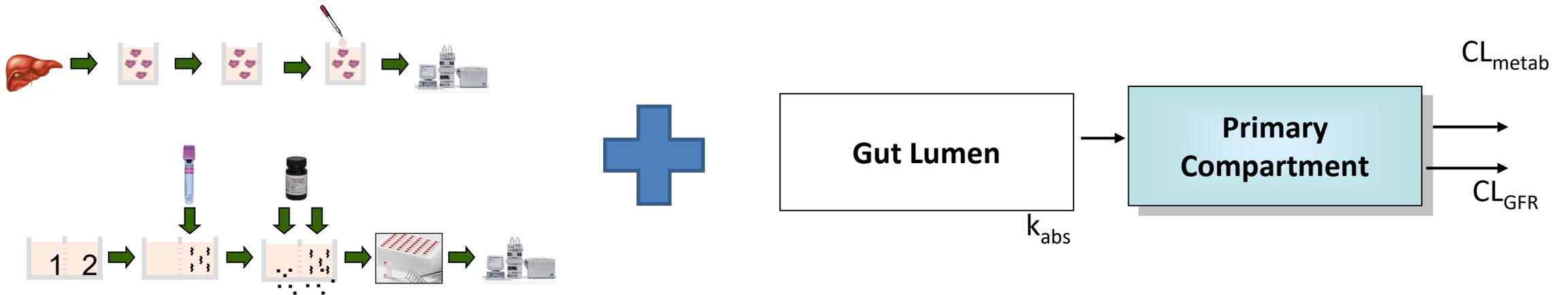
Wetmore *et al.* (2012)
+204 chemicals

Wetmore *et al.* (2015)
+163 chemicals

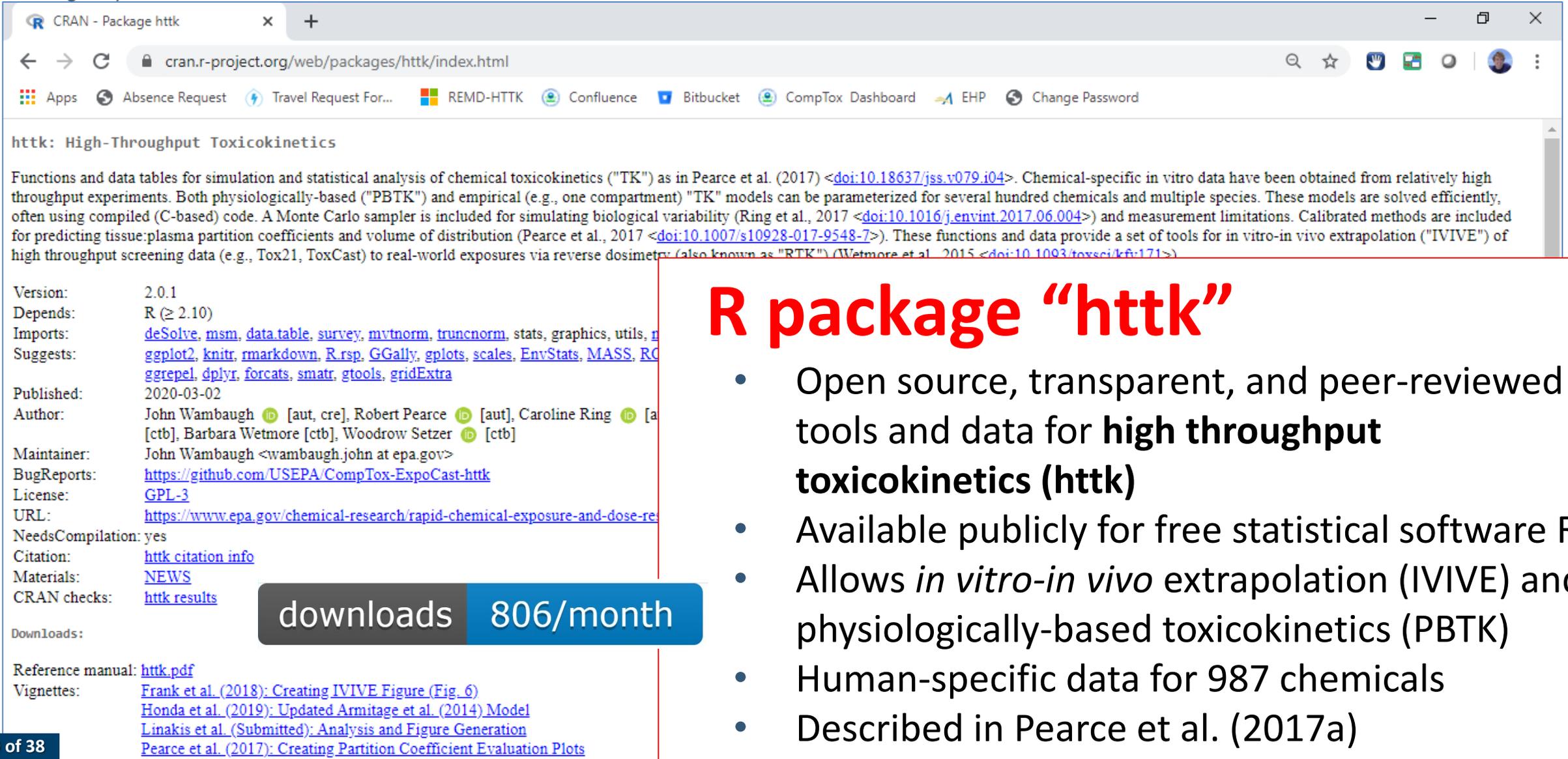
Wambaugh *et al.* (2019)
+389 chemicals

High Throughput Toxicokinetics (HTTK)

***In vitro* toxicokinetic data + generic toxicokinetic model
= high(er) throughput toxicokinetics**



= *httk*



The screenshot shows the CRAN R package page for 'httk'. The browser address bar shows 'cran.r-project.org/web/packages/httk/index.html'. The page title is 'httk: High-Throughput Toxicokinetics'. The description states: 'Functions and data tables for simulation and statistical analysis of chemical toxicokinetics ("TK") as in Pearce et al. (2017) <doi:10.18637/jss.v079.i04>. Chemical-specific in vitro data have been obtained from relatively high throughput experiments. Both physiologically-based ("PBTK") and empirical (e.g., one compartment) "TK" models can be parameterized for several hundred chemicals and multiple species. These models are solved efficiently, often using compiled (C-based) code. A Monte Carlo sampler is included for simulating biological variability (Ring et al., 2017 <doi:10.1016/j.envint.2017.06.004>) and measurement limitations. Calibrated methods are included for predicting tissue:plasma partition coefficients and volume of distribution (Pearce et al., 2017 <doi:10.1007/s10928-017-9548-7>). These functions and data provide a set of tools for in vitro-in vivo extrapolation ("IVIVE") of high throughput screening data (e.g., Tox21, ToxCast) to real-world exposures via reverse dosimetry (also known as "RTK") (Wetmore et al., 2015 <doi:10.1093/toxsci/kfv171>)'.

Metadata:

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- Depends: R (≥ 2.10)
- Imports: deSolve, msm, data.table, survey, mvtnorm, truncnorm, stats, graphics, utils, r
- Suggests: ggplot2, knitr, rmarkdown, R.rsp, GGally, gplots, scales, EnvStats, MASS, RColor
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- Maintainer: John Wambaugh <wambaugh.john at epa.gov>
- BugReports: <https://github.com/USEPA/CompTox-ExpoCast-httk>
- License: GPL-3
- URL: <https://www.epa.gov/chemical-research/rapid-chemical-exposure-and-dose-re>
- NeedsCompilation: yes
- Citation: [httk citation info](#)
- Materials: [NEWS](#)
- CRAN checks: [httk results](#)

Downloads: **downloads 806/month**

Reference manual: [httk.pdf](#)

Vignettes: [Frank et al. \(2018\): Creating IVIVE Figure \(Fig. 6\)](#), [Honda et al. \(2019\): Updated Armitage et al. \(2014\) Model](#), [Linakis et al. \(Submitted\): Analysis and Figure Generation](#), [Pearce et al. \(2017\): Creating Partition Coefficient Evaluation Plots](#)

R package "httk"

- Open source, transparent, and peer-reviewed tools and data for **high throughput toxicokinetics (httk)**
- Available publicly for free statistical software R
- Allows *in vitro-in vivo* extrapolation (IVIVE) and physiologically-based toxicokinetics (PBTK)
- Human-specific data for 987 chemicals
- Described in Pearce et al. (2017a)

Why Build Another Generic PBTK Tool?

	SimCYP	ADMET Predictor / GastroPlus	PK-Sim	IndusChemFate	httk
Maker	SimCYP Consortium / Certara	Simulations Plus	Open Systems Pharmacology	Cefic LRI	US EPA
Reference	Jamei et al. (2009)	Lukacova et al., (2009)	Eissing et al., (2011)	Jongeneelen et al., (2013)	Pearce et al. (2017a)
Availability	License, but inexpensive for research	License, but inexpensive for research	Free: http://www.open-systems-pharmacology.org/	Free: http://cefic-lri.org/lri_toolbox/induschemfate/	Free: https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=httk
Open Source	No	No	GitHub	No	CRAN and GitHub
Default PBPK Structure	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Population Variability	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Batch Mode	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Graphical User Interface	Yes	Yes	Yes	Excel	No*
Built-in Chemical-Specific Library	Many Clinical Drugs	No	Many pharmaceutical-specific models available	15 Environmental Compounds	980 Pharmaceutical and ToxCast Compounds
Ionizable Compounds	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Export Function	No	No	Matlab and R	No	SBML and Jarnac
R Integration	No	No	Yes (2017)	No	Yes
Easy Reverse Dosimetry	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes

*Both **PLETHEM** (Scitovation) and **Web-ICE** (NICEATM) provide GUI's to HTTK and other models
Pre-computed HTTK results are also available at <https://comptox.epa.gov/dashboard>

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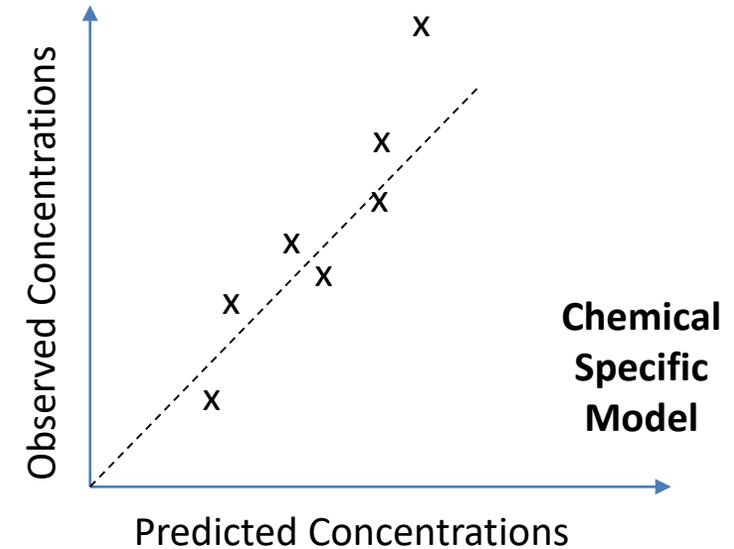
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Doing Statistical Analysis with HTK

- If we are to use HTK, we need confidence in predictive ability
- In drug development, HTK methods estimate therapeutic doses for clinical studies – predicted concentrations are typically on the order of values measured in clinical trials (Wang, 2010)
 - For most compounds in the environment there will be no clinical trials
- Uncertainty must be well characterized
 - We compare to *in vivo* data to get **empirical estimates of HTK uncertainty**
 - Any approximations, omissions, or mistakes should work to increase the estimated uncertainty when evaluated systematically across chemicals

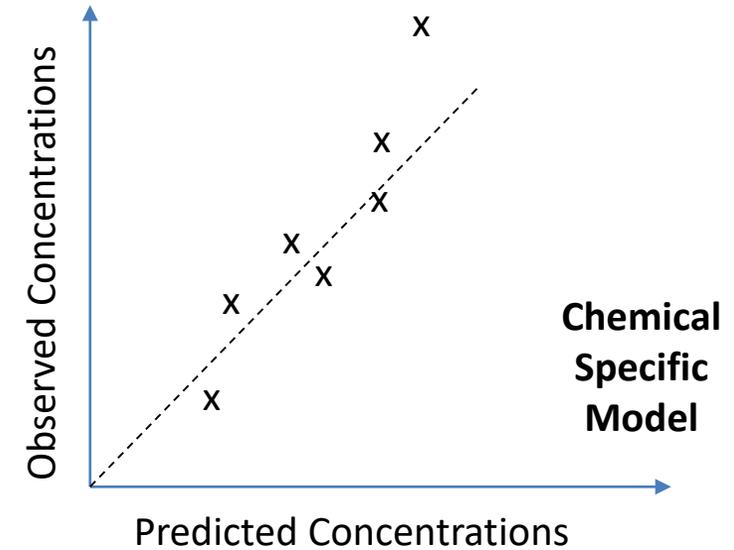
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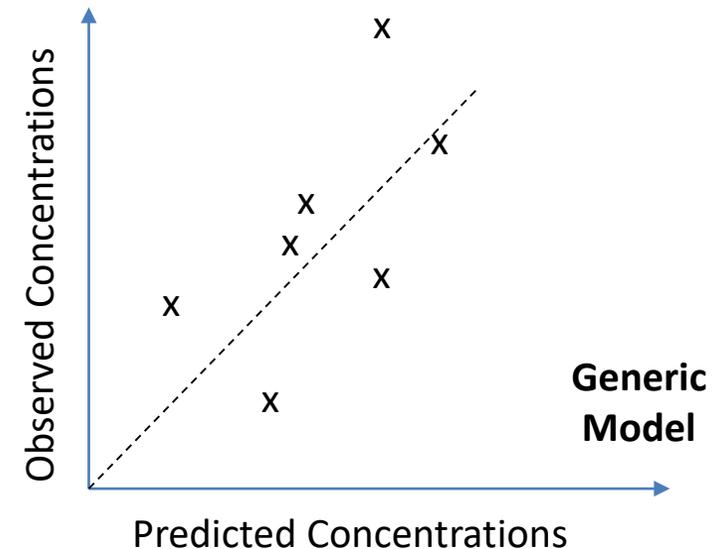
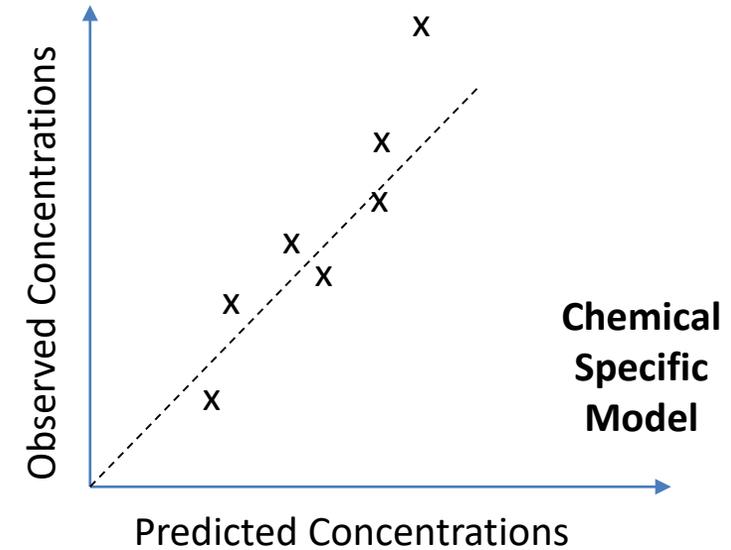
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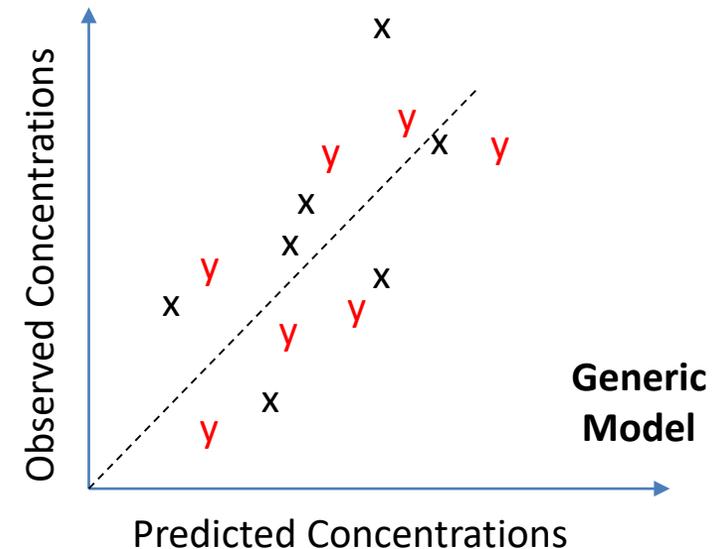
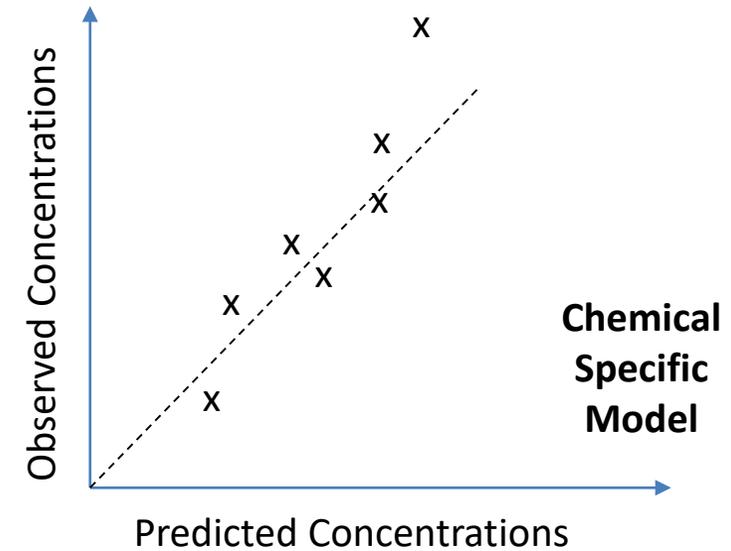


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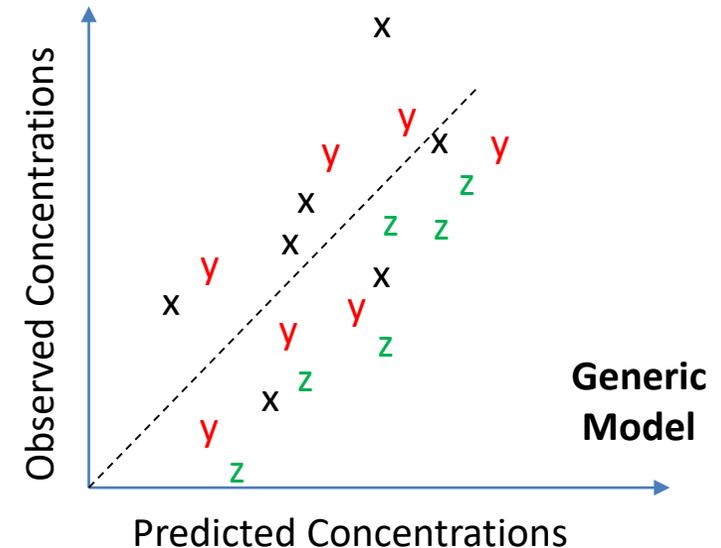
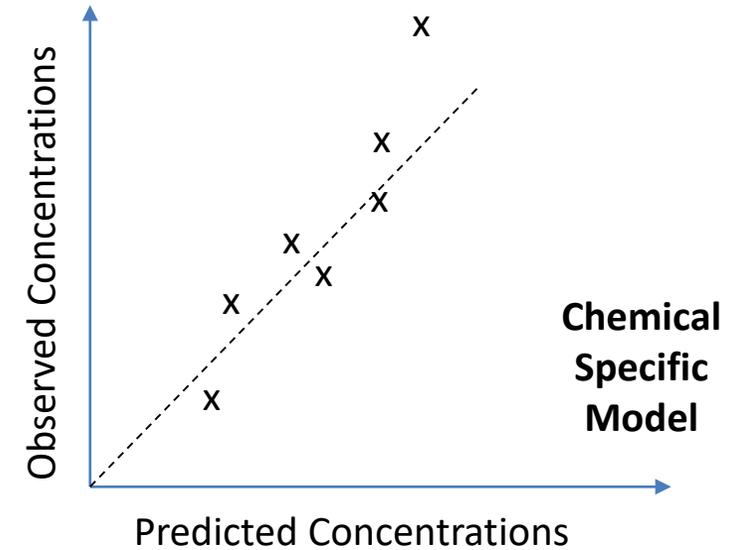
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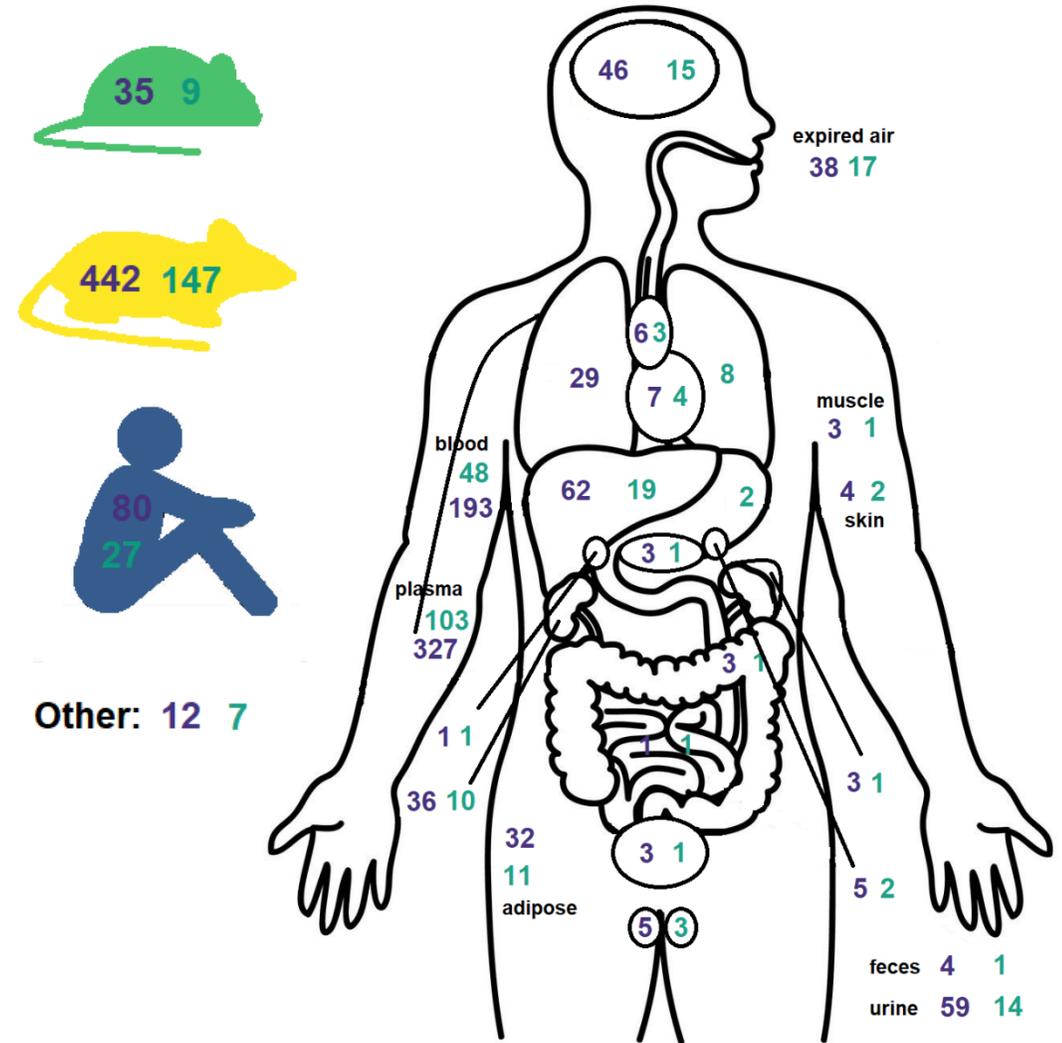
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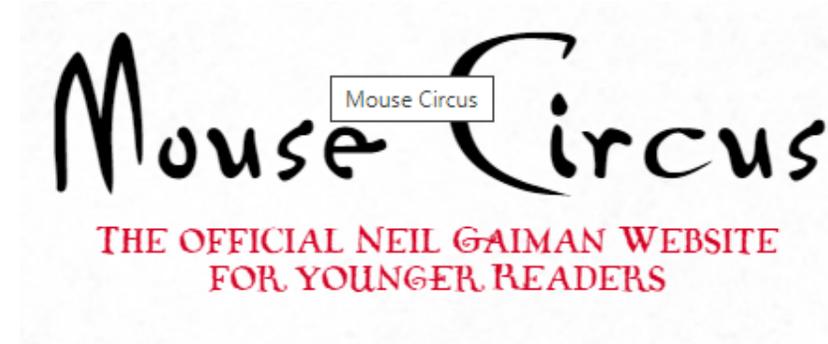
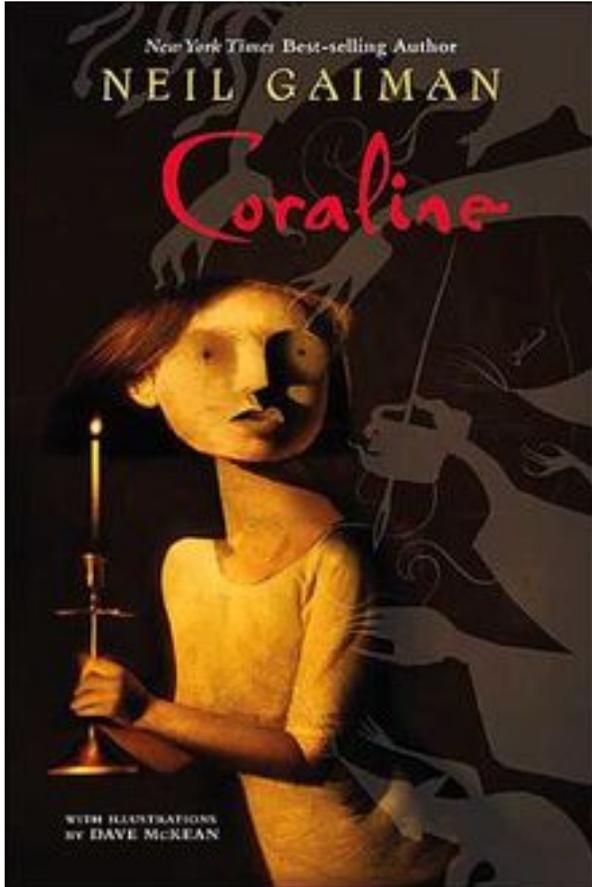


- EPA has developed a **public database of concentration vs. time data** for building, calibrating, and evaluating TK models
- Curation and development ongoing, but to date includes:
 - 198 analytes (EPA, National Toxicology Program, literature)
 - Routes: Intravenous, dermal, oral, sub-cutaneous, and inhalation exposure
- Standardized, open source curve fitting software *invivoPKfit* used to calibrate models to all data:

<https://github.com/USEPA/CompTox-ExpoCast-invivoPKfit>

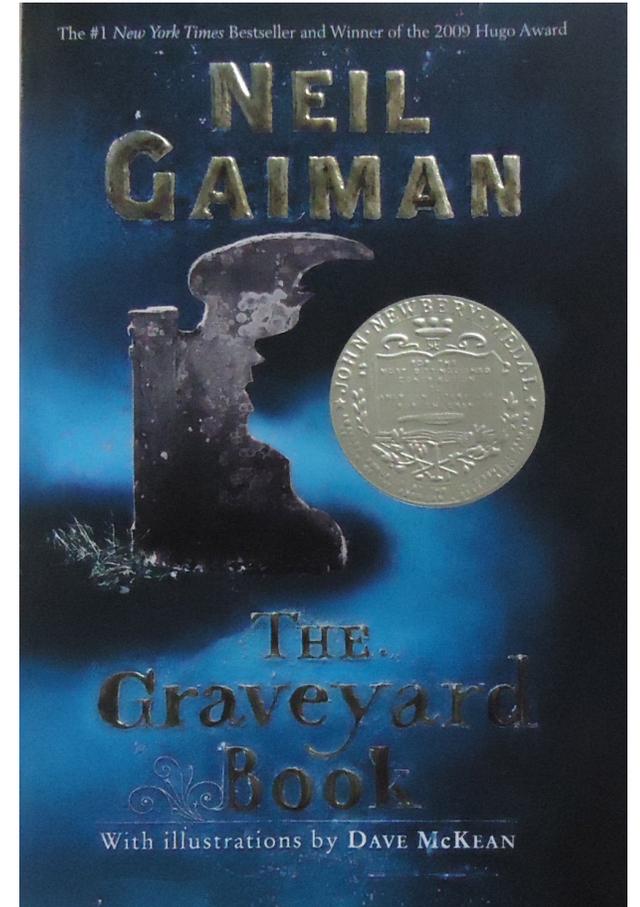


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<http://www.mousecircus.com/>

Go to the videos section for the author reading the entirety of The Graveyard Book and Coraline. Creepy but great for the right kid!



EXAMPLE: Where Do I Get

- R is freely available from the Comprehensive R Archive Network (CRAN):
<https://cloud.r-project.org/>

- It is often helpful to set an environmental variable that points to a personal library of R packages, for me, on Windows, I have the “user variable” R_LIBS_USER set to “c:/users/jwambaug/Rpackages”

- Many people like to use a graphical user interface (GUI) such as RStudio, which also may be freely available to you:

<https://rstudio.com/>

The Comprehensive R Archive Network

Download and Install R

Precompiled binary distributions of the base system and contributed packages, **Windows and Mac** users most likely want one of these versions of R:

- [Download R for Linux](#)
- [Download R for \(Mac\) OS X](#)
- [Download R for Windows](#)

R is part of many Linux distributions, you should check with your Linux package management system in addition to the link above.

Source Code for all Platforms

Windows and Mac users most likely want to download the precompiled binaries listed in the upper box, not the source code. The sources have to be compiled before you can use them. If you do not know what this means, you probably do not want to do it!

- The latest release (2020-02-29, Holding the Windsock) [R-3.6.3.tar.gz](#), read [what's new](#) in the latest version.
- Sources of [R alpha and beta releases](#) (daily snapshots, created only in time periods before a planned release).
- Daily snapshots of current patched and development versions are [available here](#). Please read about [new features and bug fixes](#) before filing corresponding feature requests or bug reports.
- Source code of older versions of R is [available here](#).
- Contributed extension [packages](#)

Questions About R

- If you have questions about R like how to download and install the software, or what the license terms are, please read our [answers to frequently asked questions](#) before you send an email.

EXAMPLE: Getting Started with HHTK

Install HHTK from the command line
(GUI's like RStudio also provide menus for this)

```
> install.packages("httk")
```

```
Installing package into 'c:/Users/jwambaug/Rpackages'  
(as 'lib' is unspecified)  
--- Please select a CRAN mirror for use in this session ---  
trying URL 'https://cloud.r-project.org/bin/windows/contrib/3.6/httk_2.0.1.zip'  
Content type 'application/zip' length 10127063 bytes (9.7 MB)  
downloaded 9.7 MB
```

```
package 'httk' successfully unpacked and MD5 sums checked
```

```
The downloaded binary packages are in  
C:\Users\jwambaug\AppData\Local\Temp\Rtmp4STebz\downloaded_packages
```

```
> library(httk)
```

```
Warning message:  
package 'httk' was built under R version 3.6.3
```

```
> packageVersion("httk")
```

```
[1] '2.0.1'
```

Load the HHTK data, models,
and functions

Check what version you are using

What you can do with R Package “httk”?

- Allows prediction of internal tissue concentrations from dose regimen (oral and intravenous)
- Allows conversion of *in vitro* concentration to *in vivo* doses
- A peer-reviewed paper in the Journal of Statistical software provides a how-to guide (Pearce et al., 2017a)
- You can use the built in chemical library or add more chemical information (examples provided in JSS paper)
- You can use specific demographics in the population simulator (Ring et al., 2017)
- You can control the built in random number generator to reproduce the same random sequence (function `set.seed()`)

EXAMPLE: Does My Chemical Have HTTK Data?

> `library(httk)`

List all CAS numbers for all chemicals with sufficient data

> `get_cheminfo()`

```
[1] "2971-36-0" "94-75-7" "94-82-6" "90-43-7" "1007-28-9"
[6] "71751-41-2" "30560-19-1" "135410-20-7" "34256-82-1" "50594-66-6"
[11] "15972-60-8" "116-06-3" "834-12-8" "33089-61-1" "101-05-3"
[16] "1912-24-9" "86-50-0" "131860-33-8" "22781-23-3" "1861-40-1" ...
```

Is a chemical available?

```
> "80-05-7" %in% get_cheminfo()
[1] TRUE
```

All data on chemicals A, B, C

```
subset(get_cheminfo(info="all"), Compound%in%
c("A", "B", "C"))
```

> `get_cheminfo(info="all")`

List all information

Compound	CAS	logP	pKa Accept	pKa Donor	MW	Human Clint	Human Clint pValue	Human Funbound plasma	DSSTox Substance Id	Formula	Substance Type
2,4-d	94-75-7	2.81	<NA>	2.81	221.03	0	0.149	0.04	DTXSID0020442	C8H6Cl2O3	Single Compound
2,4-db	94-82-6	3.53	<NA>	4.5	249.09	0	0.104	0.01	DTXSID7024035	C10H10Cl2O3	Single Compound
2-phenylphenol	90-43-7	3.09	<NA>	10.6	170.211	2.08	0.164	0.04	DTXSID2021151	C12H10O	Single Compound
6-desisopropylatrazine	1007-28-9	1.15	1.59	<NA>	173.6	0	0.539	0.46	DTXSID0037495	C5H8ClN5	Single Compound

EXAMPLE: IVIVE Oral Equivalent Dose

```
#State-state oral equivalent dose (mg/kg BW/day) to produce 0.1 uM serum concentration for human, 0.95  
quantile, for Acetochlor (calculated value):
```

```
> calc_mc_oral_equiv(0.1,chem.cas="34256-82-1")
```

```
uM concentration converted to mgpkgpday dose for 0.95 quantile.
```

```
95%
```

```
0.04530
```

```
#State-state oral equivalent dose (mg/kg BW/day) to produce 0.1 uM serum concentration for rat, 0.95  
quantile, for Acetochlor (calculated value):
```

```
> calc_mc_oral_equiv(0.1,chem.cas="34256-82-1",species="Rat")
```

```
uM concentration converted to mgpkgpday dose for 0.95 quantile.
```

```
95%
```

```
0.1376
```

```
#State-state oral equivalent dose (mg/kg BW/day) to produce 0.1 uM serum concentration for human, 0.95  
quantile, for Acetochlor (published value):
```

```
> get_lit_oral_equiv(0.1,chem.cas="34256-82-1")
```

```
Human uM concentration converted to mg /kg bw/day dose.
```

```
[1] 0.6750
```

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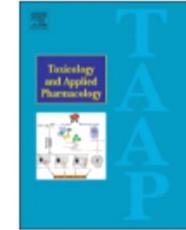


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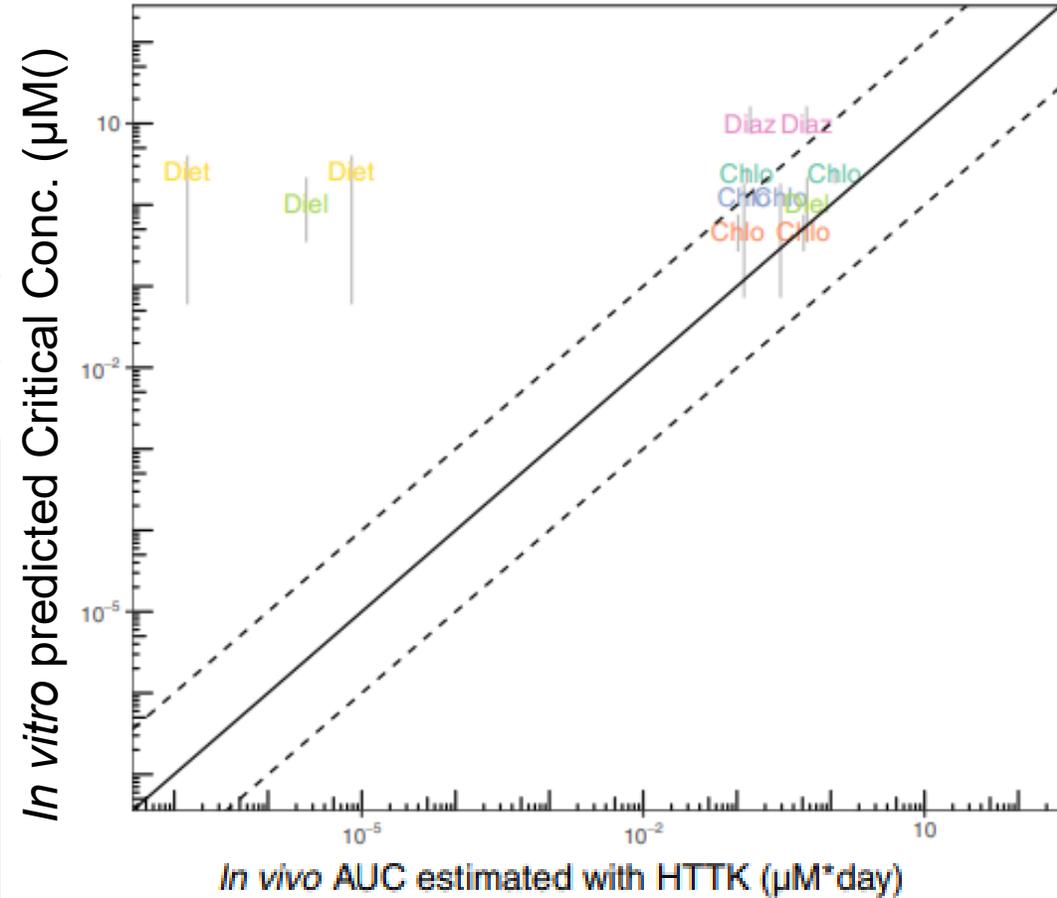
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Fig. 6. Comparison between predicted plasma levels for critical concentrations and *in vivo* estimates from the httk model. For those chemicals with 1) *in vitro* predicted critical concentrations, 2) *in vivo* studies indicating neurological effect, and 3) available toxicokinetic data the time-integrated plasma concentration (area under the curve or AUC) was predicted for the LOEL associated with each chemical-specific study. The chemical-specific prediction is indicated by the first four letters of each chemicals name. There were two available studies for each chemical. The identity (“perfect predictor”) line is indicated by a solid black line, while the dashed lines indicate ten-fold above and below perfect prediction. Because all *in vitro* treatments were exposed for the same amount of time, the relationship between nominal *in vitro* concentration and time-integrated concentration is a constant.



Chemical	a	a	a
	Chlordiazepoxide*	Chlorpyrifos*	Dieldrin
	Chlorpromazine	Diazepam	Diethylstilbestrol

EXAMPLE: Vignettes in R

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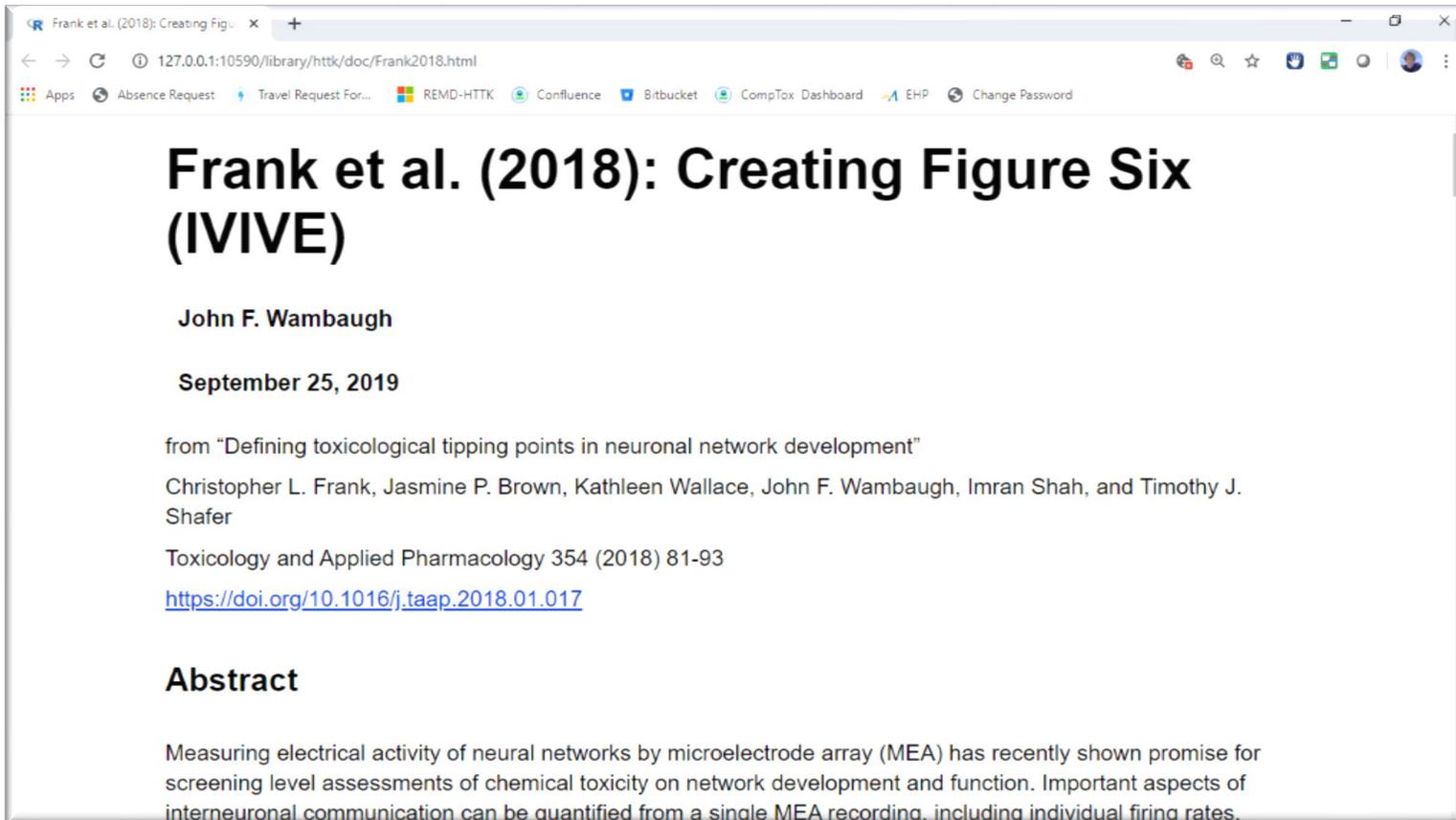
> `vignette(package="httk")`  List all vignettes for a specific package

Frank2018	Frank et al. (2018): Creating IVIVE Figure (Fig. 6) (source, html)
Honda2019	Honda et al. (2019): Updated Armitage et al. (2014) Model (source, html)
LinakisSubmitted	Linakis et al. (Submitted): Analysis and Figure Generation (source, html)
Pearce2017	Pearce et al. (2017): Creating Partition Coefficient Evaluation Plots (source, html)
Ring_2017_vignette06_aerplotting	Ring et al. (2017): AER plotting (source, html)
Ring_2017_vignette02_evalmodelsubpop	Ring et al. (2017): Evaluating HTTK models for subpopulations (source, html)
Ring_2017_vignette03_paper_fig2	Ring et al. (2017): Generating Figure 2 (source, html)
Ring_2017_vignette04_paper_fig3	Ring et al. (2017): Generating Figure 3 (source, html)
Ring_2017_vignette01_subpopulations	Ring et al. (2017): Generating subpopulations (source, html)
Ring_2017_vignette05b_plothowgatejohnson	Ring et al. (2017): Plotting Howgate/Johnson data (source, html)
Ring_2017_vignette_05a_virtualstudypops	Ring et al. (2017): Virtual study populations (source, html)
Wambaugh2018	Wambaugh et al. (2018): Creating All Figures (source, html)
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Frank et al. (2018): Creating Figure Six (IVIVE)

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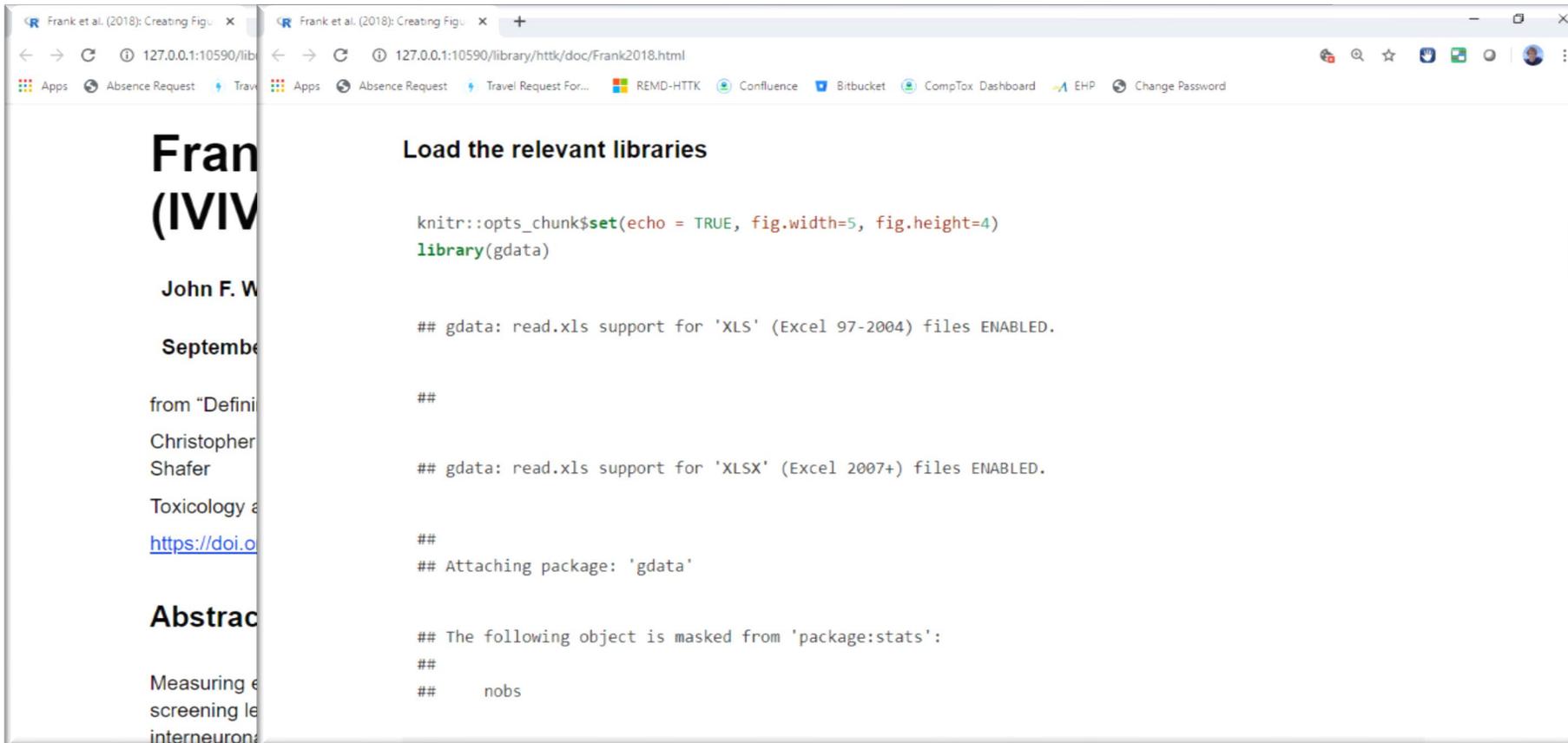
Abstract

Measuring electrical activity of neural networks by microelectrode array (MEA) has recently shown promise for screening level assessments of chemical toxicity on network development and function. Important aspects of interneuronal communication can be quantified from a single MEA recording, including individual firing rates,

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The screenshot shows a web browser window with two tabs. The active tab is titled "Frank et al. (2018): Creating Fig..." and displays a vignette page. The page content includes the title "Frank et al. (2018): Creating Fig...", the author "John F. W...", the date "September...", and the abstract "Measuring e... screening le... interneuron...". The main content of the vignette is a code chunk titled "Load the relevant libraries" with the following R code:

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(echo = TRUE, fig.width=5, fig.height=4)
library(gdata)

## gdata: read.xls support for 'XLS' (Excel 97-2004) files ENABLED.

##

## gdata: read.xls support for 'XLSX' (Excel 2007+) files ENABLED.

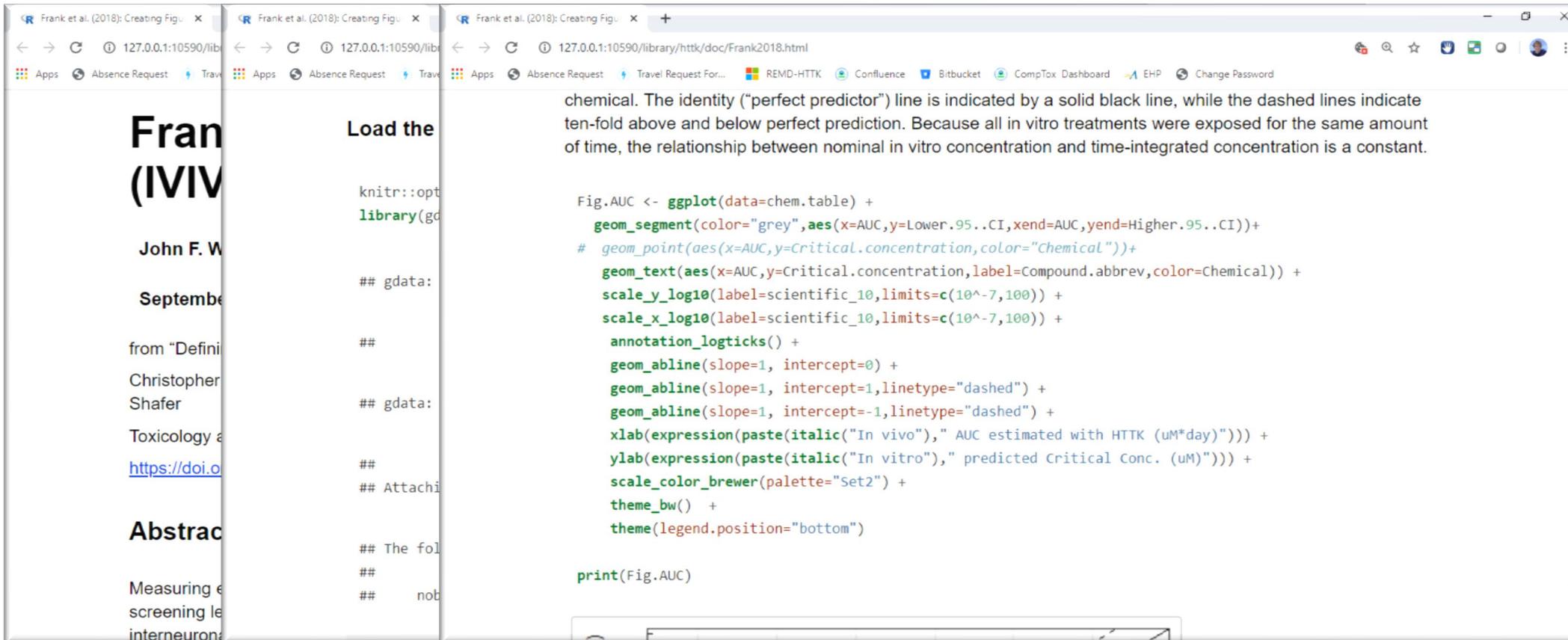
##
## Attaching package: 'gdata'

## The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
##
## nobs
```

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Frank et al. (2018): Creating Fig. X (IVIV)

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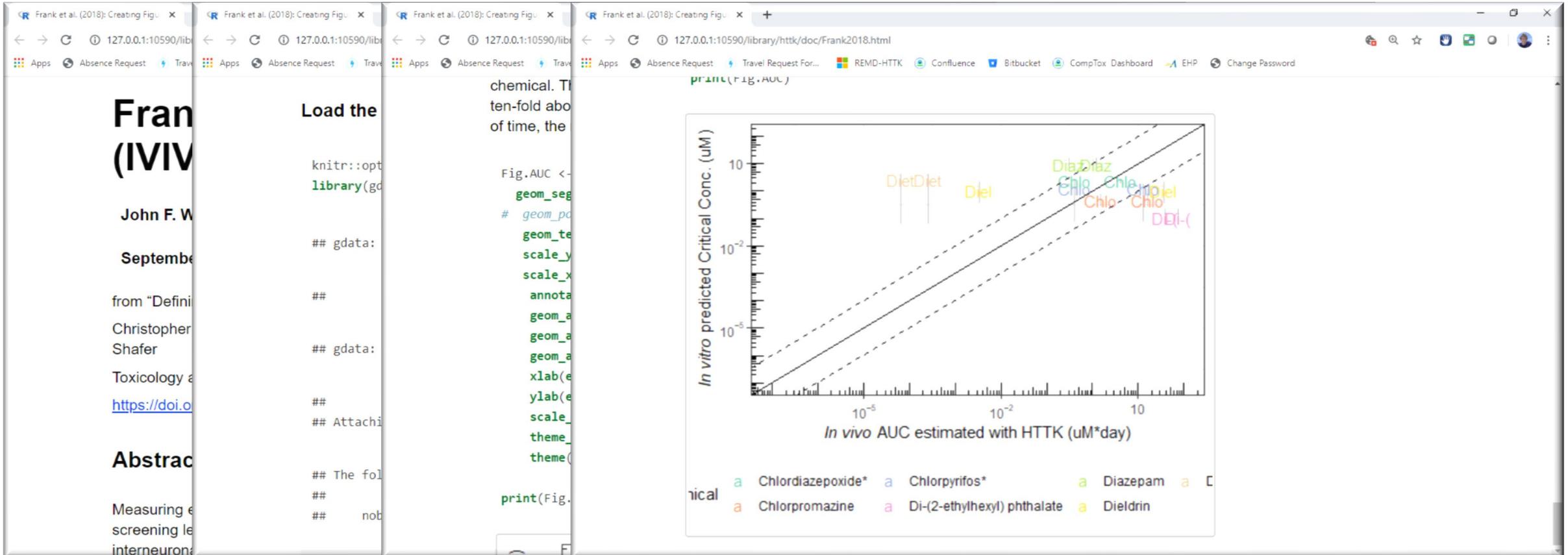
```
Fig.AUC <- ggplot(data=chem.table) +
  geom_segment(color="grey", aes(x=AUC, y=Lower.95..CI, xend=AUC, yend=Higher.95..CI)) +
  # geom_point(aes(x=AUC, y=Critical.concentration, color="Chemical")) +
  geom_text(aes(x=AUC, y=Critical.concentration, label=Compound.abbrev, color=Chemical)) +
  scale_y_log10(label=scientific_10, limits=c(10^-7, 100)) +
  scale_x_log10(label=scientific_10, limits=c(10^-7, 100)) +
  annotation_logticks() +
  geom_abline(slope=1, intercept=0) +
  geom_abline(slope=1, intercept=1, linetype="dashed") +
  geom_abline(slope=1, intercept=-1, linetype="dashed") +
  xlab(expression(paste(italic("In vivo"), " AUC estimated with HTKK (uM*day)"))) +
  ylab(expression(paste(italic("In vitro"), " predicted Critical Conc. (uM)"))) +
  scale_color_brewer(palette="Set2") +
  theme_bw() +
  theme(legend.position="bottom")

print(Fig.AUC)
```

EXAMPLE: Vignettes in R

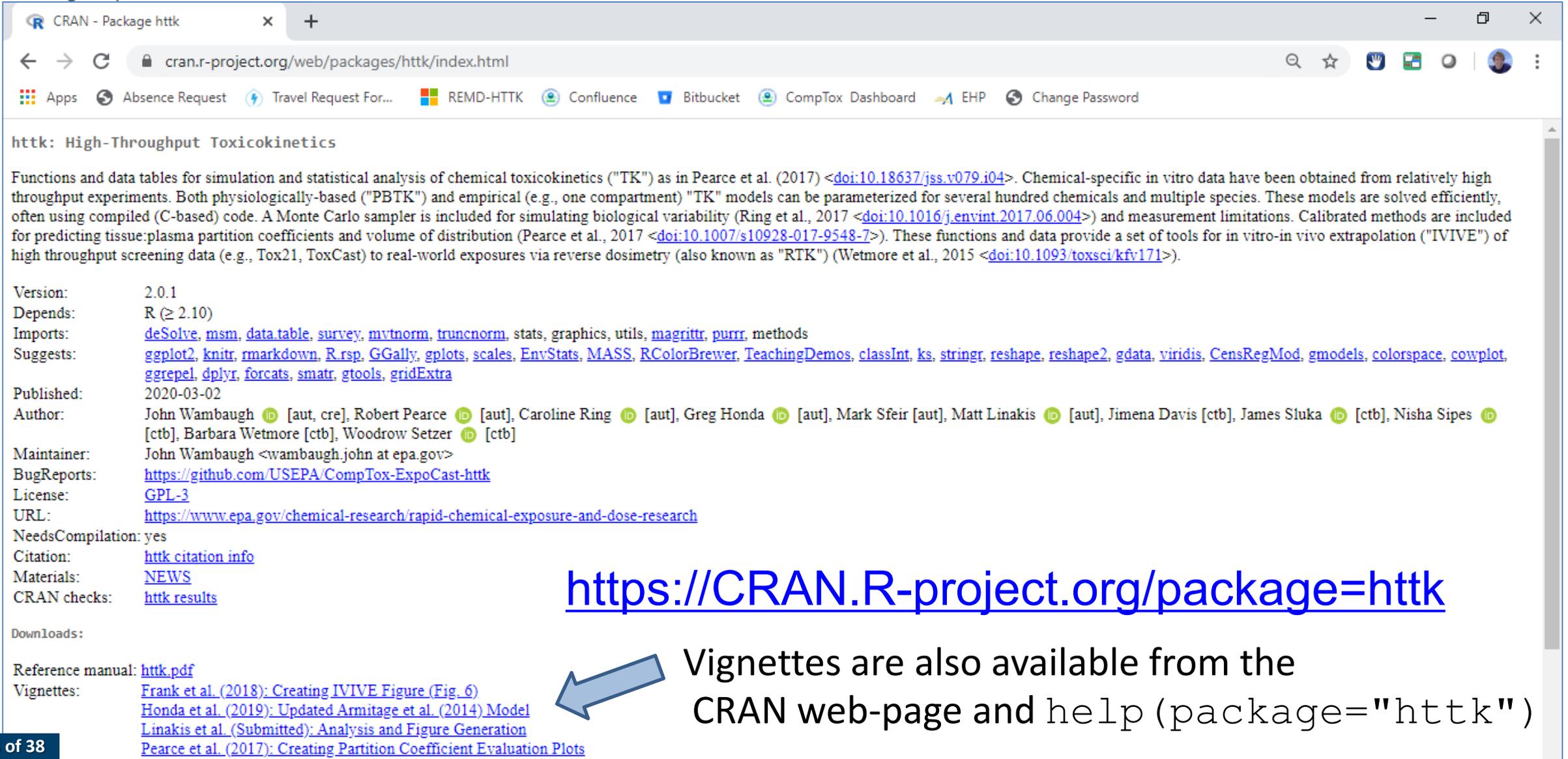
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The screenshot shows the CRAN package page for 'httk'. The browser address bar shows the URL: cran.r-project.org/web/packages/httk/index.html. The page title is 'httk: High-Throughput Toxicokinetics'. The main text describes the package's functions and data tables for simulation and statistical analysis of chemical toxicokinetics. Below the description, there is a list of metadata including version (2.0.1), dependencies (R ≥ 2.10), imports, suggests, published date (2020-03-02), authors, maintainer, bug reports, license (GPL-3), URL, needs compilation (yes), citation, materials, CRAN checks, downloads, reference manual, and vignettes. The vignettes section lists several papers: Frank et al. (2018), Honda et al. (2019), Linakis et al. (Submitted), and Pearce et al. (2017). A blue arrow points from the text 'Vignettes are also available from the CRAN web-page and help (package="httk")' to the 'Vignettes:' section of the package page.

<https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=httk>

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For the Kids at Home

Exhibition: The Advent of the Artist’.

For its fifth season, the Louvre’s Petite Galerie—a space dedicated to art and cultural education—is holding an exhibition titled ‘The Advent of the Artist’. Discover artworks from Delacroix, Rembrandt or Tintoretto.



<https://www.louvre.fr/en/visites-en-ligne>

Virtual Tours of the Louvre

Egyptian Antiquities

Collections from the Pharaonic period are displayed on the east side of the Sully wing, on the ground floor and 1st floor.

Remains of the Louvre's Moat

The Louvre was originally a fortress built by the French king Philippe Auguste. It was intended to reinforce the defenses that the king had ordered to be built in 1190 to protect Paris from attack via the Seine. Today, visitors can walk around the original perimeter moat and view the piers that supported the drawbridge.

Galerie d'Apollon

The Galerie d'Apollon, situated above the Petite Galerie, was destroyed by fire in 1661 and rebuilt by Le Vau. The ceiling, begun by Le Brun, is a homage to the Sun King, Louis XIV. The central panel, *Apollo Slaying the Serpent Python*, is by Delacroix (1851). The gallery was recently restored.

EXAMPLE: TK Statistics

Calculate the mean, AUC, and peak concentrations for a 28 day study (default)

```
> calc_stats(chem.cas="34256-82-1")
```

```
Human plasma concentrations returned in uM units.
```

```
AUC is area under plasma concentration curve in uM * days units with Rblood2plasma =  
$AUC
```

```
[1] 3.541
```

```
$peak
```

```
[1] 0.8966
```

```
$mean
```

```
[1] 0.1265
```

```
#Oops, I meant to do a rat, not a human study:
```

```
> calc_stats(chem.cas="34256-82-1", species="rat")
```

```
Rat plasma concentrations returned in uM units.
```

```
AUC is area under plasma concentration curve in uM * days units with Rblood2plasma = .  
$AUC
```

```
[1] 1.287
```

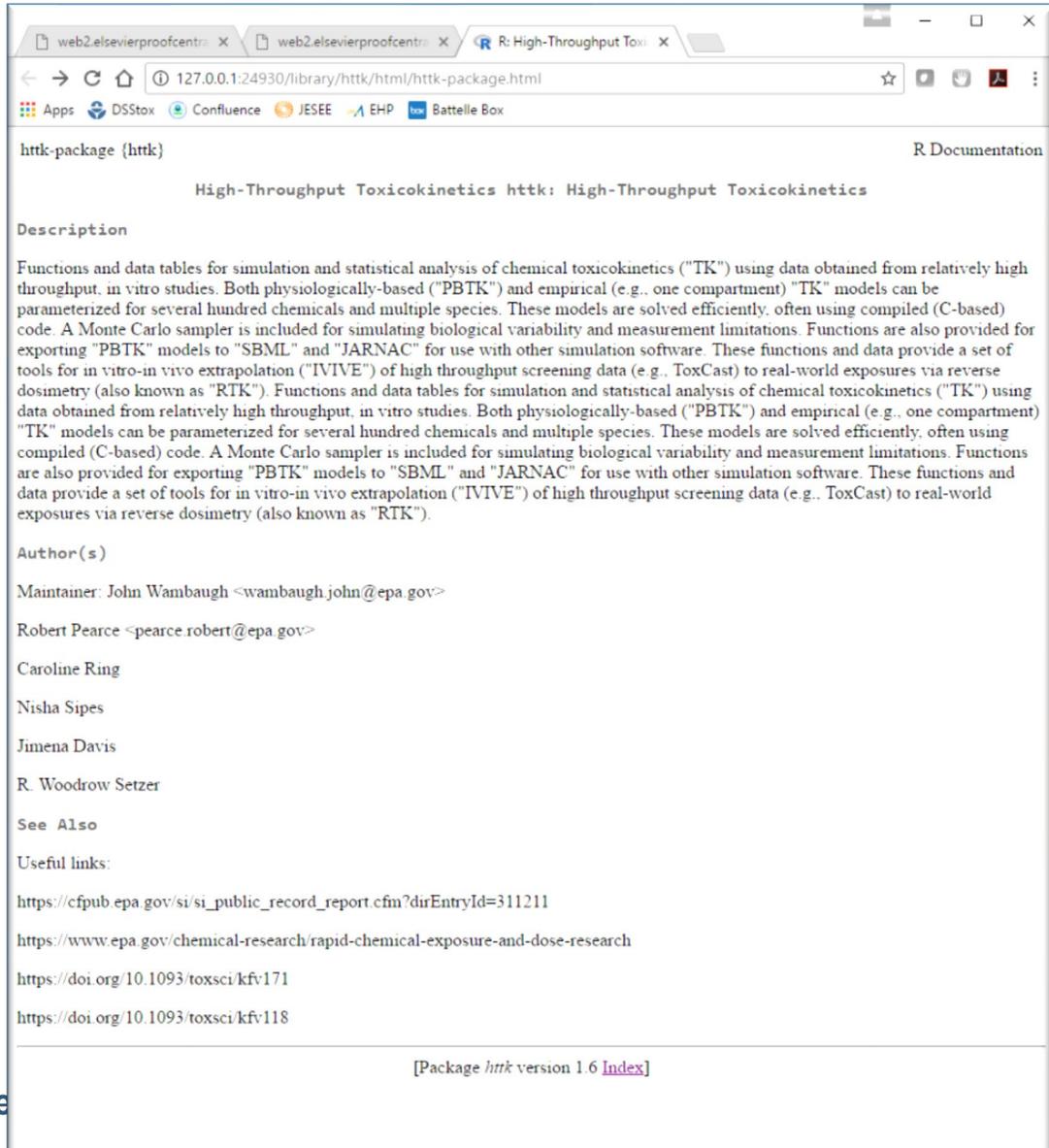
```
$peak
```

```
[1] 0.4182
```

```
$mean
```

```
[1] 0.04596
```

EXAMPLE: Getting Help: Within R: type “help(httk)”



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the R documentation for the `httk` package. The browser tabs include 'web2.elsevierproofcentr...', 'R: High-Throughput Toxi...', and 'R: High-Throughput Toxi...'. The address bar shows the URL '127.0.0.1:24930/library/httk/html/httk-package.html'. The page content includes the package name 'httk-package {httk}', the title 'High-Throughput Toxicokinetics httk: High-Throughput Toxicokinetics', and a detailed description of the package's functions and data tables for simulation and statistical analysis of chemical toxicokinetics. The authors listed are John Wambaugh, Robert Pearce, Caroline Ring, Nisha Sipes, Jimena Davis, and R. Woodrow Setzer. Useful links are provided at the bottom, including EPA public record reports and DOI links. The footer indicates the package version is 1.6 and includes an index link.

httk-package {httk} R Documentation

High-Throughput Toxicokinetics httk: High-Throughput Toxicokinetics

Description

Functions and data tables for simulation and statistical analysis of chemical toxicokinetics ("TK") using data obtained from relatively high throughput, in vitro studies. Both physiologically-based ("PBTK") and empirical (e.g., one compartment) "TK" models can be parameterized for several hundred chemicals and multiple species. These models are solved efficiently, often using compiled (C-based) code. A Monte Carlo sampler is included for simulating biological variability and measurement limitations. Functions are also provided for exporting "PBTK" models to "SBML" and "JARNAC" for use with other simulation software. These functions and data provide a set of tools for in vitro-in vivo extrapolation ("IVIVE") of high throughput screening data (e.g., ToxCast) to real-world exposures via reverse dosimetry (also known as "RTK"). Functions and data tables for simulation and statistical analysis of chemical toxicokinetics ("TK") using data obtained from relatively high throughput, in vitro studies. Both physiologically-based ("PBTK") and empirical (e.g., one compartment) "TK" models can be parameterized for several hundred chemicals and multiple species. These models are solved efficiently, often using compiled (C-based) code. A Monte Carlo sampler is included for simulating biological variability and measurement limitations. Functions are also provided for exporting "PBTK" models to "SBML" and "JARNAC" for use with other simulation software. These functions and data provide a set of tools for in vitro-in vivo extrapolation ("IVIVE") of high throughput screening data (e.g., ToxCast) to real-world exposures via reverse dosimetry (also known as "RTK").

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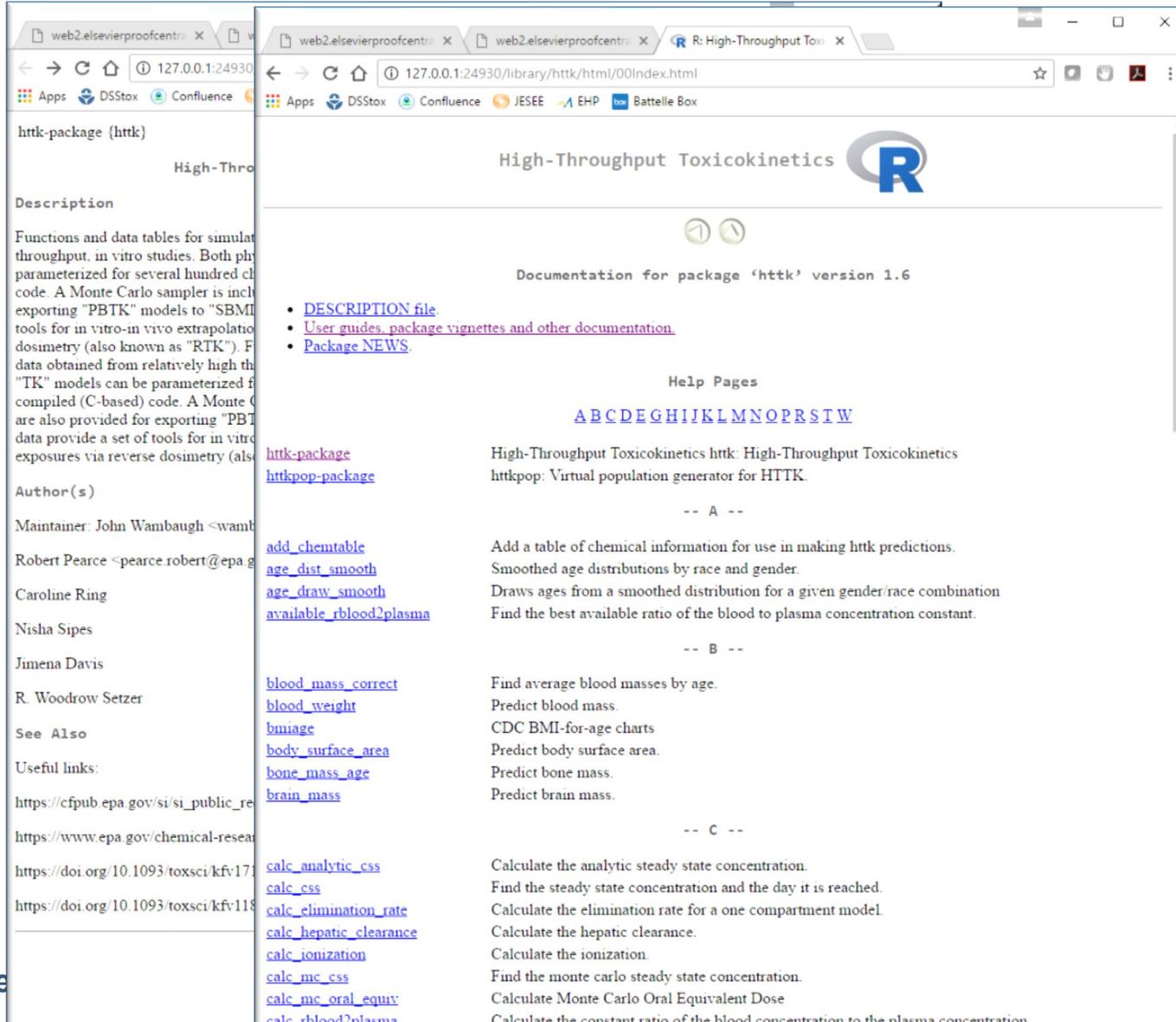
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<https://www.epa.gov/chemical-research/rapid-chemical-exposure-and-dose-research>
<https://doi.org/10.1093/toxsci/kfv171>
<https://doi.org/10.1093/toxsci/kfv118>

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High-Throughput Toxicokinetics 

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[httkpop-package](#) httkpop: Virtual population generator for HTTK.

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[add_chemtable](#) Add a table of chemical information for use in making httk predictions.
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[available_rblood2plasma](#) Find the best available ratio of the blood to plasma concentration constant.

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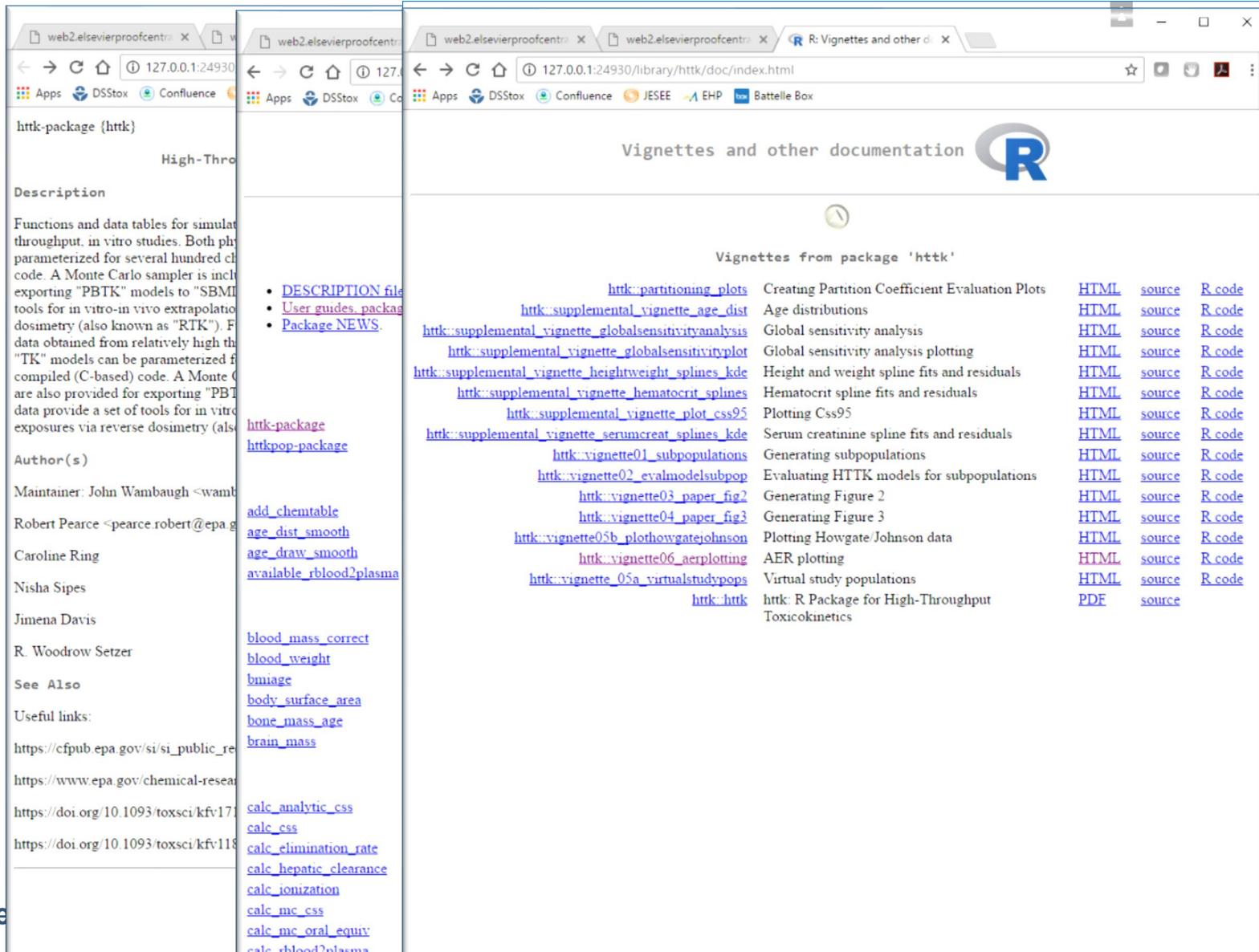
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[calc_css](#) Find the steady state concentration and the day it is reached.
[calc_elimination_rate](#) Calculate the elimination rate for a one compartment model.
[calc_hepatic_clearance](#) Calculate the hepatic clearance.
[calc_ionization](#) Calculate the ionization.
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You can go straight
to the index with
`help(package="httk")`

EXAMPLE: Getting Help:

Within R: type “help(httk)”



The screenshot shows the R help documentation for the `httk` package. The left pane displays the R console output, and the right pane shows the corresponding web page.

R Console Output:

```

httk-package (httk)
High-Throughput Toxicokinetics (HTTK)

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Functions and data tables for simulating high-throughput, in vitro studies. Both pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic models are parameterized for several hundred chemical species. A Monte Carlo sampler is included for exporting "PBTK" models to "SBML" models for in vitro-in vivo extrapolation and dosimetry (also known as "RTK"). For data obtained from relatively high throughput studies, "TK" models can be parameterized from compiled (C-based) code. A Monte Carlo sampler is also provided for exporting "PBTK" data provide a set of tools for in vitro-in vivo extrapolations via reverse dosimetry (also known as "RTK").

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Vignettes and other documentation

Vignettes from package 'httk'

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http://partitioning_plots	Creating Partition Coefficient Evaluation Plots	HTML	source	R code
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http://supplemental_vignette_globalsensitivityanalysis	Global sensitivity analysis	HTML	source	R code
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EXAMPLE: Getting Help:

Within R: type “help(httk)”

Please also feel free to email me at wambaugh.john@epa.gov



httk-package (httk)

Description

Functions and data to calculate throughput, in vitro, and in vivo parameters. The package is parameterized for several different models. A Monte Carlo simulation is provided for exporting "PBTK" models. The package also provides tools for in vitro-in vivo dosimetry (also known as PKPD) and data obtained from reverse dosimetry. "TK" models can be compiled (C-based) and are also provided for data provide a set of exposures via reverse dosimetry.

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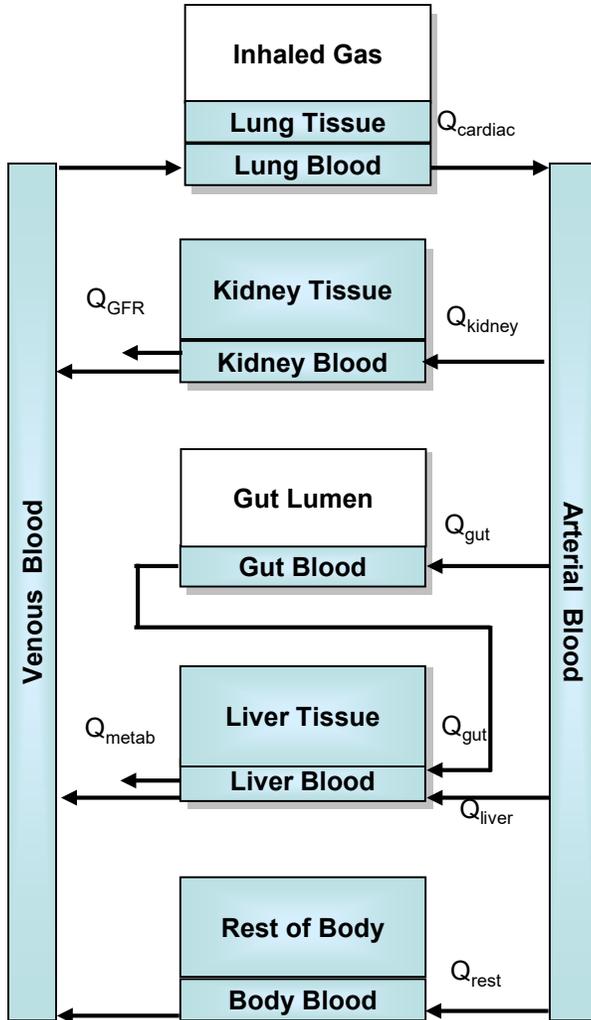
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OED, and exposure) heatmaps contained in

and data files for each subpopulation,
As described in the paper, for each
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and do this for all 10 subpopulations.

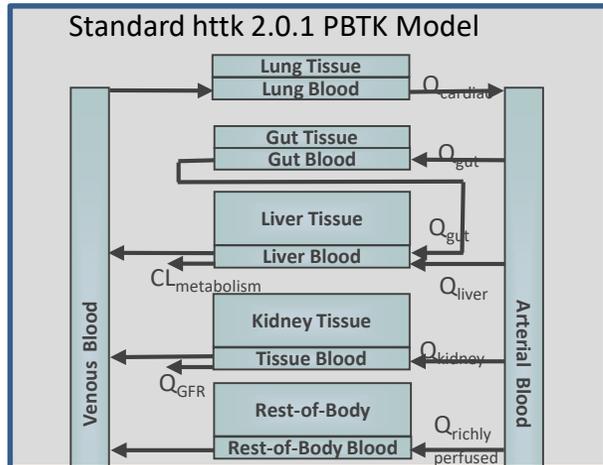
A General Physiologically-based Toxicokinetic (PBTK) Model



- “httk” includes a generic PBTK model
- Some tissues (for example, arterial blood) are simple compartments, while others (for example, kidney) are compound compartments consisting of separate blood and tissue sections with constant partitioning (that is, tissue specific partition coefficients)
- Some specific tissues (lung, kidney, gut, and liver) are modeled explicitly, others (for example, fat, brain, bones) are lumped into the “Rest of Body” compartment.
- The only ways chemicals “leave” the body are through metabolism (change into a metabolite) in the liver or excretion by glomerular filtration into the proximal tubules of the kidney (which filter into the lumen of the kidney).

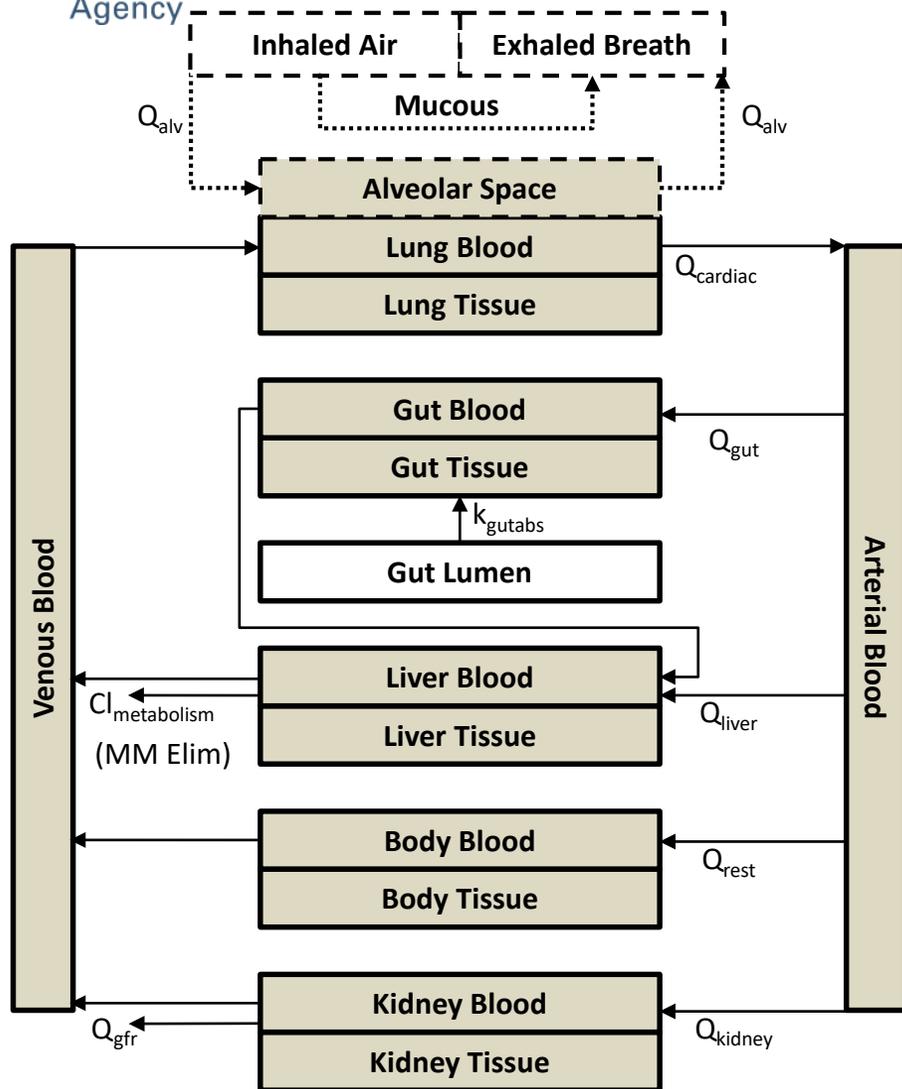
New HT-PBTK Models

- We are working to augment the basic HT-PBTK model with new PBTK models
 - For example, inhalation PBTK will allow for calculation of “inhalation equivalent doses” instead of oral equivalents



- Each model will be released publicly upon peer-reviewed publication
- Pre-publication models can be shared under a material transfer agreement (MTA)
- We assume there will be coding errors and over-simplifications, so each publication involves curation of evaluation data from the scientific literature and through statistical analysis

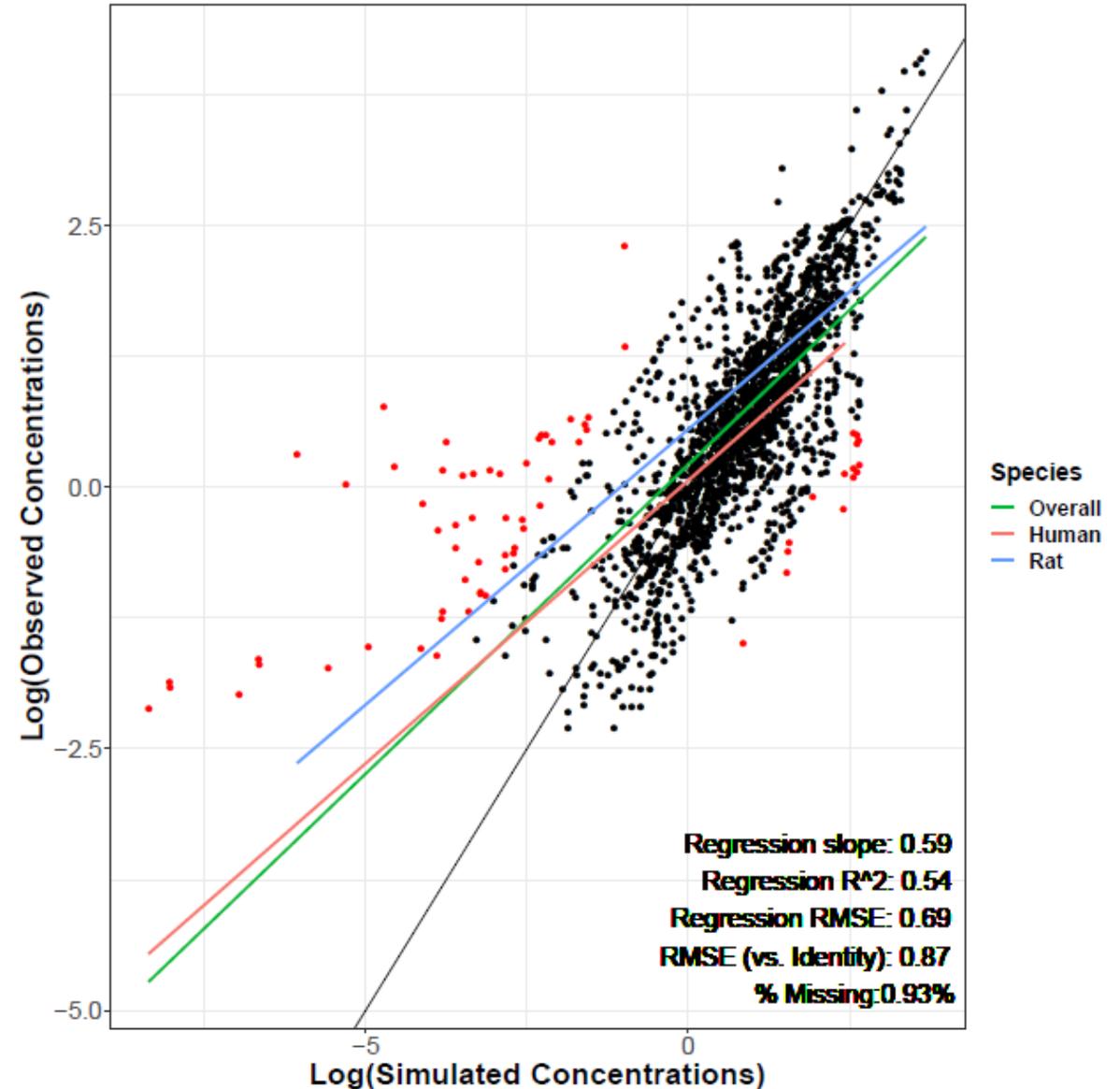
Generic Gas Inhalation Model



- Inhalation is an important route of exposure, particularly for occupational settings
- **“Development and Evaluation of a High Throughput Inhalation Model for Organic Chemicals”** by Linakis et al. was just accepted at **Journal of Exposure Science and Environmental Epidemiology**
- The structure of the inhalation model was developed from two previously published physiologically-based models from Jongeneelen *et al.* (2011) and Clewell *et al.* (2001)
- The model can be parameterized with chemical-specific *in vitro* data from the HTKK package for 917 chemicals in human and 181 chemicals in rat
- Model was made publicly available with the release of htkk v2.0.0 in February 2020

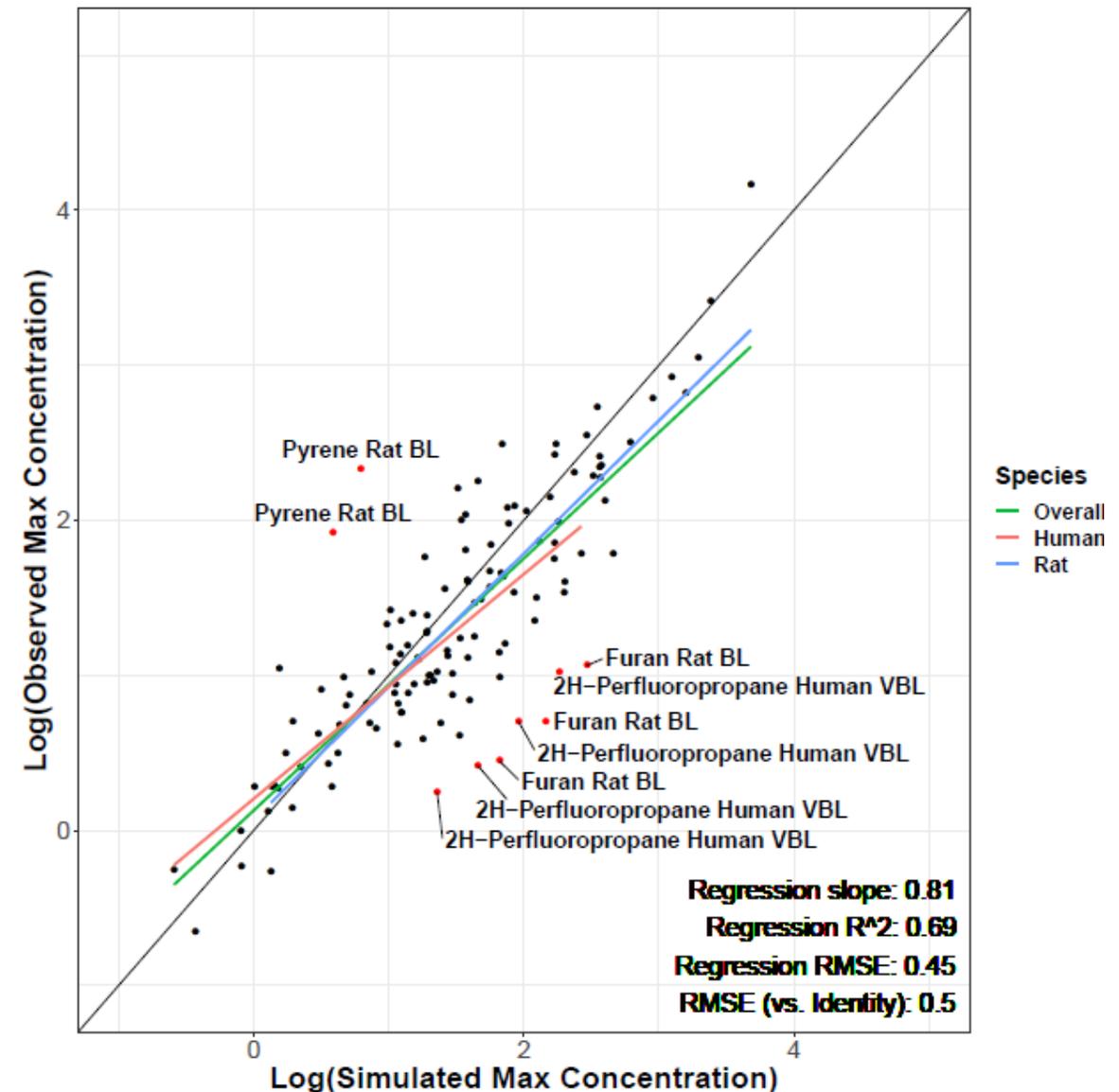
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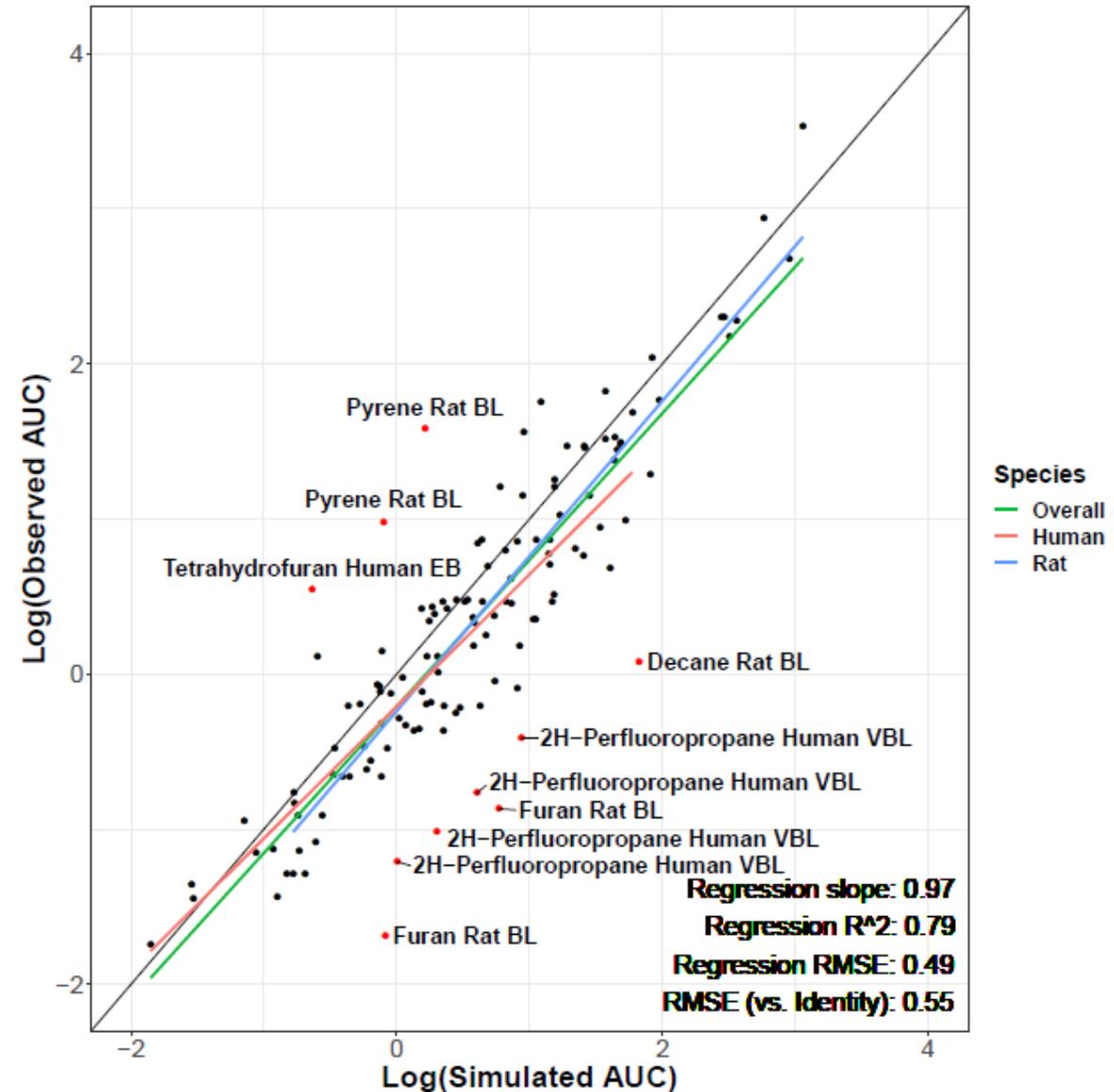
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- R^2 was 0.79 for predicting time integrated plasma concentration (Area Under the Curve, AUC)



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- **Access to *in vivo* concentration vs. time data also made it easier to find fault with specific data sets**

- Correct
- Used 4h exposure instead of 2h
- Used mg/m³ dose units instead of ppm

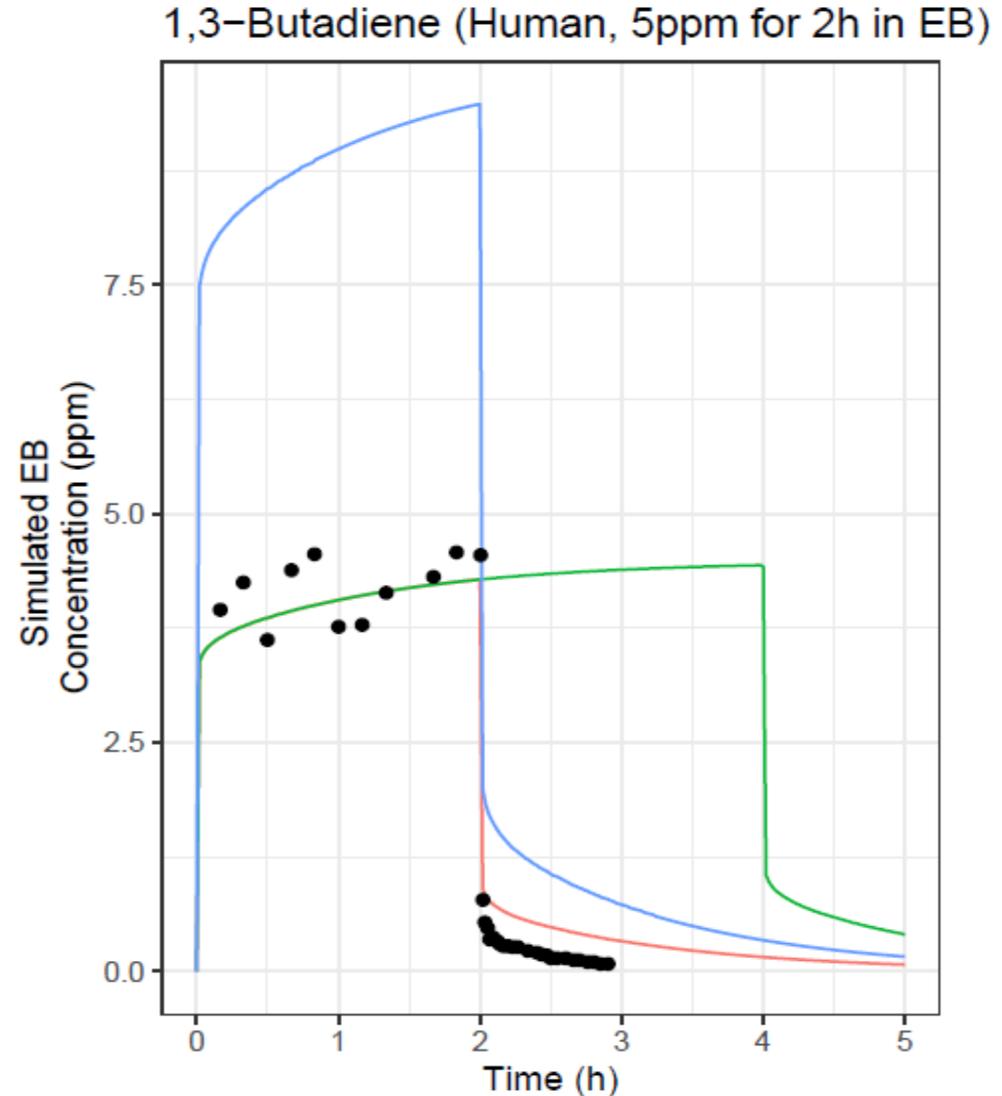
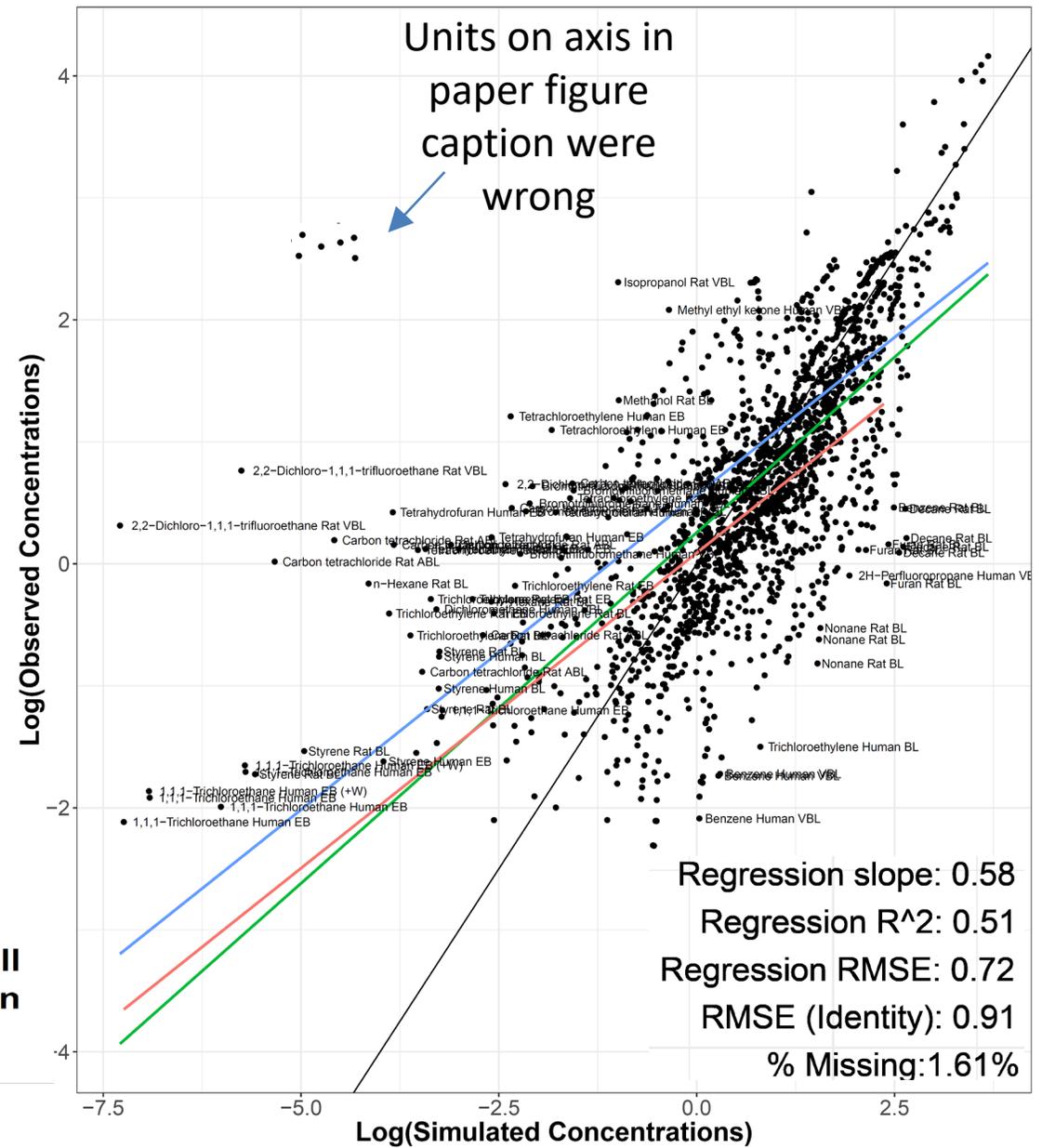


Figure from Matt Linakis (AFRL)

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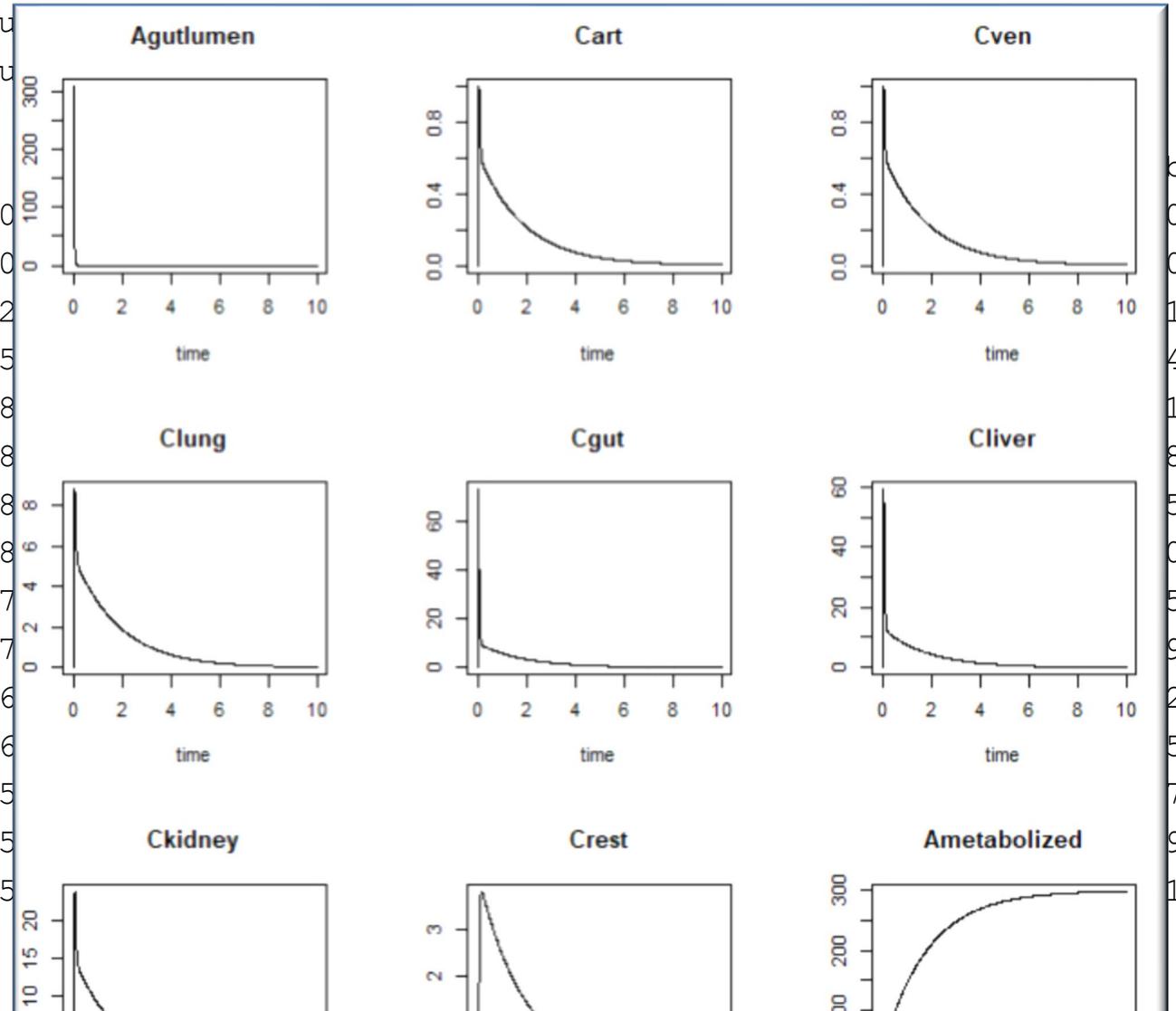
Species
— Overall
— Human
— Rat

EXAMPLE: Using the PBPK Solver

```
> solve_pbtk(chem.name="bisphenol a", plots=TRUE)
```

```
Human amounts returned in umol and concentration returned in umol/L
AUC is area under plasma concentration in uM * days
Rblood2plasma = 0.79.
```

	time	Agutlumen	Cgut	Cliver	Cven
1	0.00000	3.066e+02	0.00000	0.000e+00	0.000e+00
2	0.00001	3.065e+02	0.14490	4.420e-05	5.000e-09
3	0.01042	1.778e+02	71.93000	2.389e+01	2.896e-01
4	0.02083	1.031e+02	72.91000	4.930e+01	6.929e-01
5	0.03125	5.978e+01	59.22000	5.922e+01	9.241e-01
6	0.04167	3.466e+01	45.55000	5.813e+01	9.967e-01
7	0.05208	2.010e+01	34.87000	5.188e+01	9.783e-01
8	0.06250	1.165e+01	27.10000	4.416e+01	9.207e-01
9	0.07292	6.757e+00	21.62000	3.683e+01	8.536e-01
10	0.08333	3.918e+00	17.79000	3.061e+01	7.910e-01
11	0.09375	2.272e+00	15.12000	2.566e+01	7.380e-01
12	0.10420	1.317e+00	13.28000	2.186e+01	6.955e-01
13	0.11460	7.638e-01	11.99000	1.903e+01	6.625e-01
14	0.12500	4.429e-01	11.10000	1.694e+01	6.372e-01
15	0.13540	2.568e-01	10.47000	1.543e+01	6.179e-01



EXAMPLE: Multiple Ways to Use Functions

By chemical name:

```
> calc_analytic_css(chem.name="bisphenol a", model="pbtk")
```

Plasma concentration returned in uM units.

```
[1] 1.173
```

By CAS number:

```
> calc_analytic_css(chem.cas="80-05-7", model="pbtk")
```

Plasma concentration returned in uM units.

```
[1] 1.173
```

You can change the parameters (for example, compromised renal filtration):

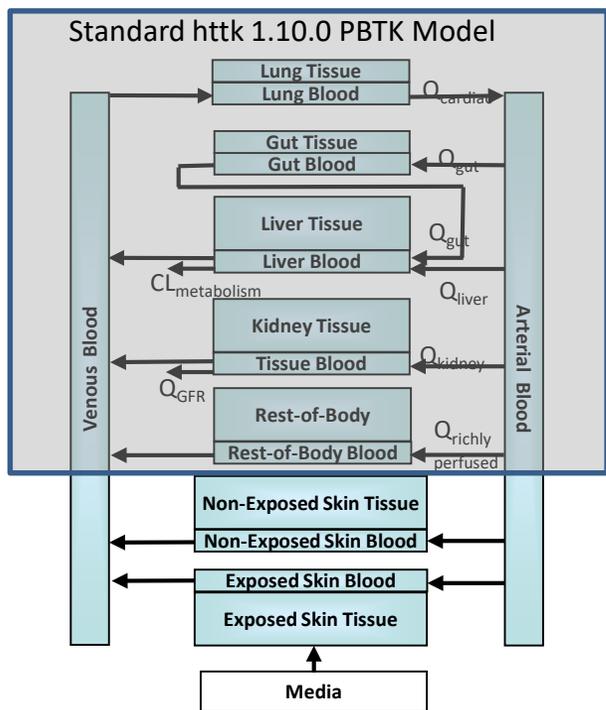
```
> p <- parameterize_pbtk(chem.cas="80-05-7")
```

```
> p$Qgfr <- p$Qgfr/10
```

```
> calc_analytic_css(parameters=p, model="pbtk")
```

Plasma concentration returned in uM units.

```
[1] 1.197
```

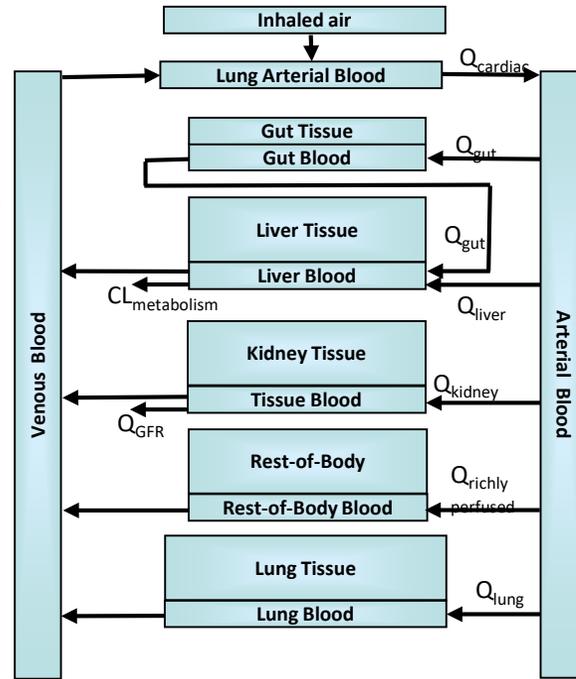


Dermal Exposure Route

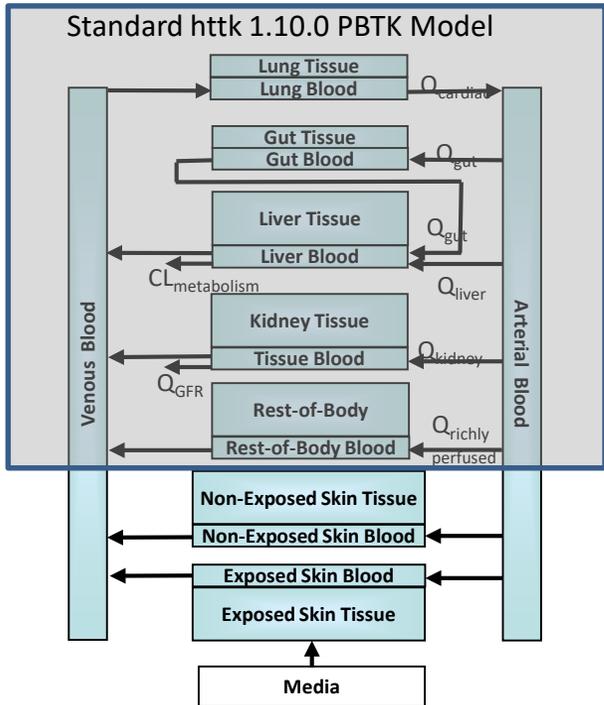
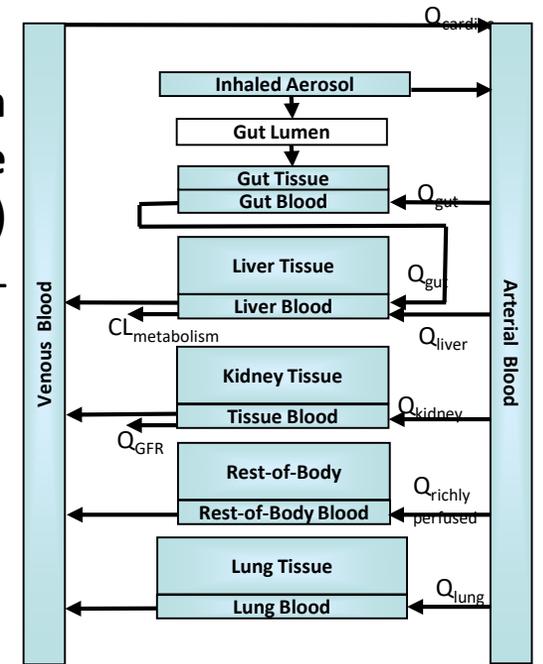
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New HT-PBTK Models

Gas Inhalation Exposure Route (Linakis et al., 2020)



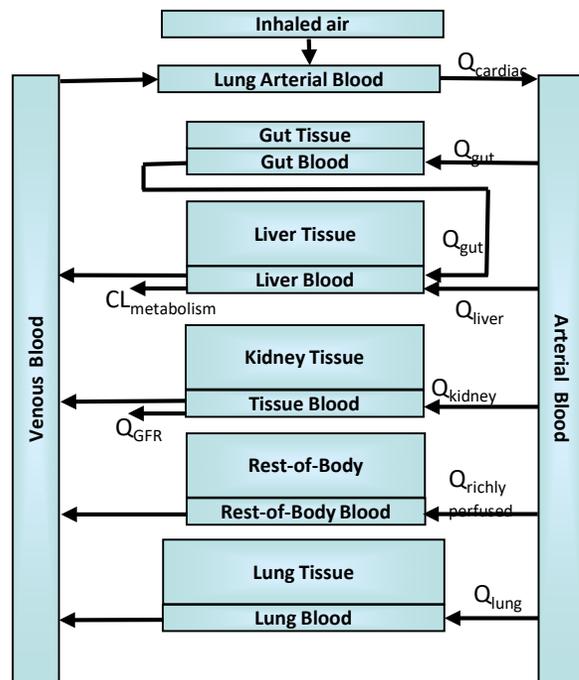
Aerosol Inhalation Exposure Route (with APEX model) EPA, AFRL



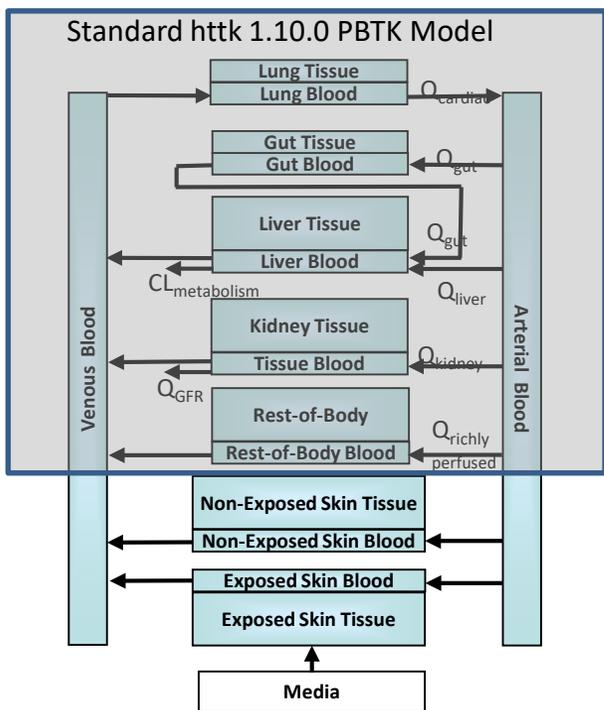
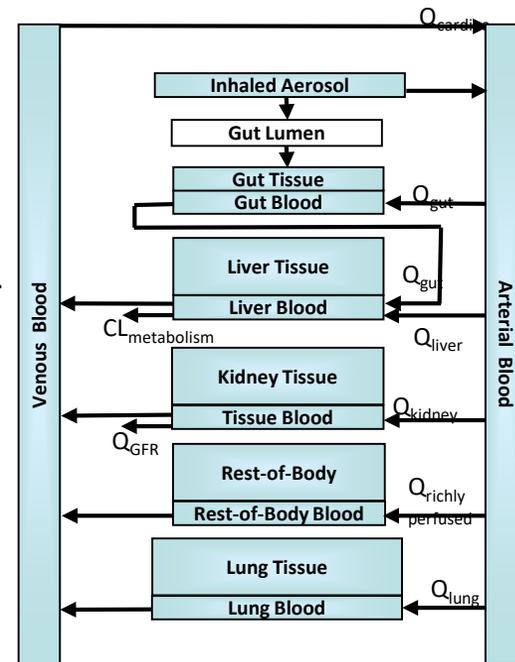
Dermal Exposure Route EPA, Unilever

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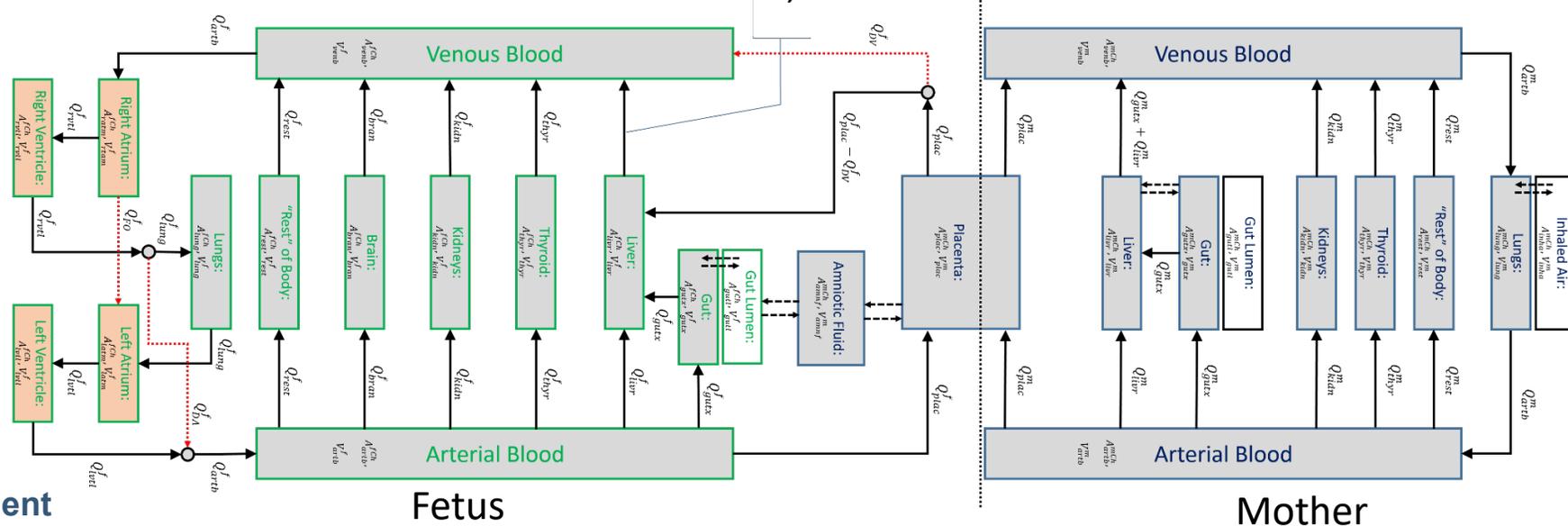
**Gas Inhalation
Exposure Route**
(Linakis et al., 2020)



**Aerosol Inhalation
Exposure Route
(with APEX model)**
EPA, AFRL



Human Gestational Model
EPA, FDA



Dermal Exposure Route
EPA, Unilever

HTTK Limitations

- Oral absorption
 - 100% assumed, but may be very different
 - *In silico* models not necessarily appropriate for environmental chemicals
 - Honda et al. (in preparation) developing QSAR using new *in vitro* data for ToxCast Chemicals

HTTK Limitations

- Oral absorption
- Hepatic Clearance (CL_{int})
 - Not isozyme-specific (Isozyme-specific metabolism assays not HT)
 - Ten donor pool in suspension for 2-4 h misses variability and low turnover compounds
 - Isozyme abundances and activity: varies with age, ethnicity (at least) (Yasuda et al. 2008, Howgate et al. 2006, Johnson et al. 2006)
 - Parent chemical depletion only
 - *In silico* predictions of isozyme-specific metabolism? Not easy!
 - Though ADMET Predictor can do this for some isozymes, training data is mostly for pharmaceuticals

HTTK Limitations

- Oral absorption
- Hepatic Clearance (CL_{int})
- Plasma binding assay (F_{up})
 - Plasma protein concentration variability (Johnson et al. 2006, Israili et al. 2001)
 - Albumin or AAG binding? (Routledge 1986)

HTTK Limitations

- Oral absorption
- Hepatic Clearance (CL_{int})
- Plasma binding assay (F_{up})
- Analytical chemistry
 - Must be able to develop method for each compound
 - Working to develop QSARs for other compounds

HTTK Limitations

- Oral absorption
- Hepatic Clearance (CL_{int})
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- Analytical chemistry
- Relatively slow throughput (1000 chemicals in last decade)
 - Quantitative Structure-Property Relationship (QSPR) models are being developed and evaluated as part of a collaborative study

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 - Generic inhalation TK IVIVE model has been developed (Linakis et al., submitted)
 - QSPR models can be evaluated for volatile chemicals with measured data

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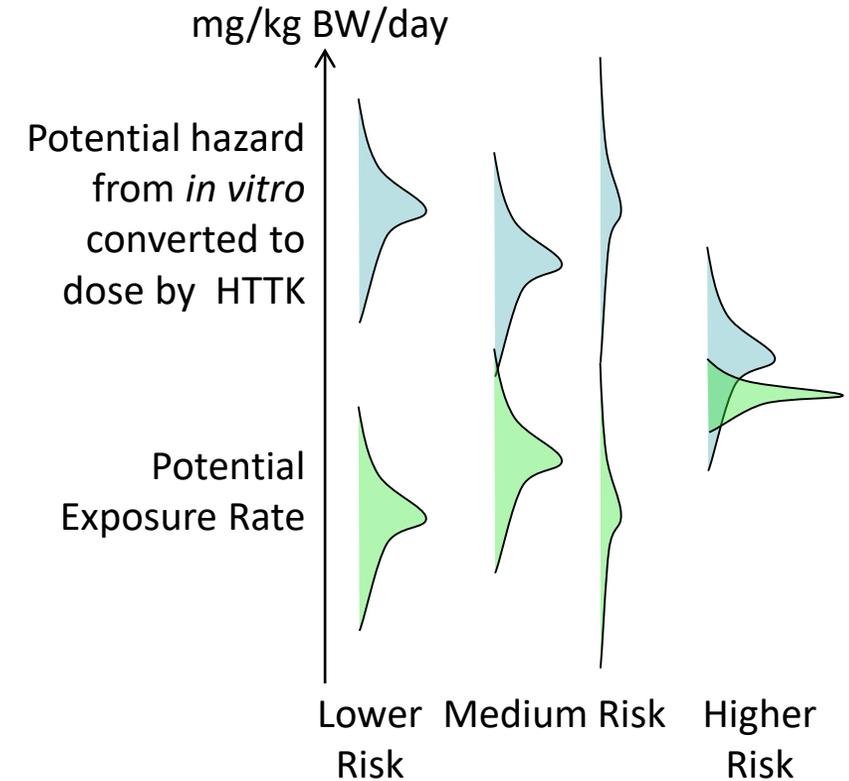
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HTTK QSPR Evaluation Team:



Conclusions

- HTTK allows dosimetric adjustment of high-throughput screening (HTS) data across thousands of chemicals with open source, free, and evaluated software
- Comparison predicted concentrations and *in vivo* data is a valuable approach for evaluation and establishing confidence
 - A new database of *in vivo* concentration vs. time data has being developed (Sayre et al., *in press*)
 - Can characterize model bias and uncertainty
- Guided in part by “CvT” database, a generic inhalation model has been developed (Linakis et al., *in press*)



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