

Multiple Oral Dose Administration

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Oral Dose Administration

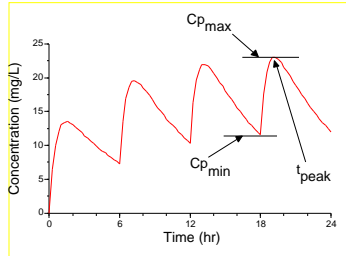
- Single Dose

$$C_p = \frac{F \cdot \text{Dose} \cdot ka}{V \cdot (ka - kel)} \cdot [e^{-kel \cdot t} - e^{-ka \cdot t}]$$

- Multiple Dose

$$C_p = \frac{F \cdot \text{Dose} \cdot ka}{V \cdot (ka - kel)} \cdot \frac{1 - e^{-n \cdot kel \cdot t}}{1 - e^{-kel \cdot t}} \cdot e^{-kel \cdot t} - \frac{1 - e^{-n \cdot ka \cdot t}}{1 - e^{-ka \cdot t}} \cdot e^{-ka \cdot t}$$

Cp versus Time



Cp_{max} and Cp_{min}

- Cp_{max} could be calculated if t_{max} is known from 'full' equation
- Cp_{min} can be calculated at t = 0 or t =

Cp_{min} Equation

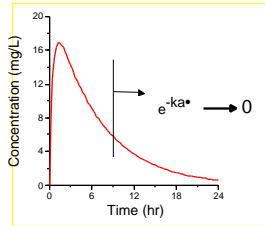
at t = 0 and with n large ->

$e^{-n \cdot kel}$ and $e^{-n \cdot ka}$ both -> 0

$$Cp_{min} = \frac{F \cdot Dose \cdot ka}{V \cdot (ka - kel)} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - e^{-kel}} - \frac{1}{1 - e^{-ka}}$$

Simplify Equation

if $e^{-ka} \gg 0$



Simplify Equation...

$$C_{p_{min}} = \frac{F \cdot \text{Dose} \cdot ka}{V \cdot (ka - kel)} \cdot \frac{e^{-kel \cdot a}}{1 - e^{-kel \cdot a}}$$

or

$$C_{p_{min}} = A \cdot \frac{R}{1 - R}$$

Accumulation

$$\frac{C_{p_{min}}}{C_{p_1}} = \frac{\frac{F \cdot \text{Dose} \cdot ka}{V \cdot (ka - kel)} \cdot \frac{e^{-kel \cdot a}}{1 - e^{-kel \cdot a}}}{\frac{F \cdot \text{Dose} \cdot ka}{V \cdot (ka - kel)} \cdot [e^{-kel \cdot a}]}$$

or

$$\frac{C_{p_{min}}}{C_{p_1}} = \frac{A \cdot \frac{R}{1 - R}}{A \cdot R} = \frac{1}{(1 - R)} = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-kel \cdot a}}$$

if $e^{-ka} \approx 0$

Loading Dose =

$$\text{Loading Dose} = \frac{\text{Maintenance Dose}}{(1 - R)}$$

Further Simplification

- if $k_a \gg k_{el}$

$$\frac{k_a}{(k_a - k_{el})} \approx 1$$

$$C_{P_{min}} = \frac{F \cdot \text{Dose}}{V} \cdot \frac{e^{-k_{el} \cdot \tau}}{1 - e^{-k_{el} \cdot \tau}}$$

- this is an even more extreme approximation

- if k_a unknown but absorption fast it may be useful

The Three Equations

F	1	
Dose	250	mg
k_a	2	hr ⁻¹
k_{el}	0.15	hr ⁻¹
V	15	L
Tau	6	hr
	$C_{p \text{ min}}$	
Full Equation	12.3444	
$k_a \gg \tau$	12.3445	
$k_a \gg k_{el}$	11.4186	

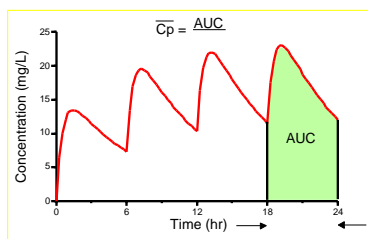
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Average Concentration, \bar{C}_p

- Average plasma concentration during steady state can be useful
- Calculated as AUC/

$$\bar{C}_p = \frac{\int_0^{\infty} C_p \cdot dt}{\tau} = \frac{F \cdot \text{Dose}}{V \cdot k_e \cdot \tau}$$

Graphical Representation



Average Concentration

$$\bar{C}_p = \frac{\int_0^{\infty} C_p \cdot dt}{\tau} = \frac{F \cdot \text{Dose}}{V \cdot k_e \cdot \tau}$$

- Note Changing the Dose and the Dosing Interval by the Same Factor gives the SAME \bar{C}_p
- e.g. 300 mg q12h gives the same \bar{C}_p as 100 mg q4h
 - however $C_{p_{min}}$ and $C_{p_{max}}$ would change

Example Calculation

- Data: $F = 1$; $V = 30 \text{ L}$; $t_{1/2} = 6 \text{ hr}$; $k_{el} = 0.116 \text{ hr}^{-1}$

- Question: Dose every 12 hours to achieve 15 mg/L

- Equation: $\bar{C}_p = \frac{F \cdot \text{Dose}}{V \cdot k_{el} \cdot \tau}$

$$\text{Dose} = \frac{\bar{C}_p \cdot V \cdot k_{el} \cdot \tau}{F}$$

$$\text{Dose} = \frac{15 \times 30 \times 0.116 \times 12}{1} = 624 \text{ mg}$$

Loading Dose

$$R = e^{-k_{el} \cdot \tau} = e^{-0.116 \times 12} = 0.25$$

$$\text{Loading Dose} = \frac{\text{Maintenance Dose}}{1 - R}$$

$$\text{Loading Dose} = \frac{624}{1 - 0.25} = 832 \text{ mg}$$

- Dosing Regimen 800 - 850 mg to start then 600 - 650 mg every 12 hours

Estimate $C_{p_{\min}}$ and $C_{p_{\max}}$

- Assuming $k_a \gg k_{el}$ and $e^{-k_a \cdot \tau} \rightarrow 0$

$$C_{p_{\min}} = \frac{1 \times 624}{30} \times \frac{0.25}{1 - 0.25} = 6.93 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$C_{p_{\max}} \approx 15 + (15 - 7) = 23 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$\bar{C}_p = 15 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$C_{p_{\min}} = 7 \text{ mg/L}$$

Alternative Regimen

312 mg q 6 h

$$C_{p_{\min}} = \frac{1 \times 312}{30} \times \frac{0.5}{1-0.5} = 10.4 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$C_{p_{\max}} \approx 15 + (15 - 10) = 20 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$\bar{C}_p = 15 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$C_{p_{\min}} = 10 \text{ mg/L}$$

Non-Uniform Dosing

Superposition Principle

- Applies when all disposition processes are linear
 - disposition = DME
 - linear = first order
- Allows addition of concentrations from separate doses = multiple dose
- Double the dose = double the concentration

Equations

$$C_{p_1} = \frac{200}{15} \times e^{-0.15 \times t}$$

$$C_{p_2} = \frac{300}{15} \times e^{-0.15 \times (t-6)}$$

$$C_{p_3} = \frac{100}{15} \times e^{-0.15 \times (t-18)}$$

$$C_p = C_{p_1} + C_{p_2} + C_{p_3} \quad \text{AL (24 hr)}$$

Equations

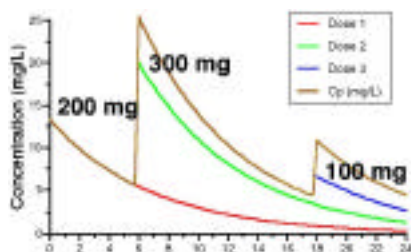
$$Cp_1 = \frac{200}{15} \times e^{-0.15 \times 6} = 0.36 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$Cp_2 = \frac{300}{15} \times e^{-0.15 \times (t-6)} = 1.34 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$Cp_3 = \frac{100}{15} \times e^{-0.15 \times (t-18)} = 2.71 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$Cp = Cp_1 + Cp_2 + Cp_3 = 4.41 \text{ mg/L}$$

Graphical Representation



Another Approach

$$Cp_1^0 = \frac{200}{15} = 13.33 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$Cp_1^6 = 13.33 \times e^{-0.15 \times 6} = 5.42 \text{ mg/L}$$

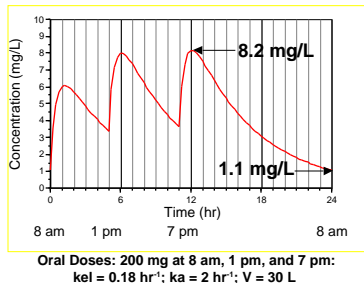
$$Cp_2^0 = 5.42 + \frac{300}{15} = 25.42 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$Cp_2^{12} = 25.42 \times e^{-0.15 \times 12} = 4.20 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$Cp_3^0 = 4.20 + \frac{100}{15} = 10.87 \text{ mg/L}$$

$$Cp_3^6 = 10.87 \times e^{-0.15 \times 6} = 4.42 \text{ mg/L}$$

Multiple Oral Doses at steady state



Non-Uniform Dosing

May be acceptable if

- Drug has wide therapeutic index
- No therapeutic disadvantage to low overnight plasma concentration
 - e.g. analgesic if patient asleep

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