PHA 5127 Case study #4

1.) Sarah C. is a 55-year-old woman on aminoglycoside therapy. She is 5'6" tall and weighs 60 kg. Her serum creatinine level is 0.75 mg/dl. What is her creatinine clearance? What is the patient's k_e and half-life? Calculate the i.v. bolus dose in order to achieve 1 mg/L 1 hour after administration. The V_d is 0.25 L/kg and assume that CL = CrCL.

$$IBW = 45.5 \text{ kg} + 2.3*6 = 59.3 \text{ kg}$$

$$CrCl = 0.85 * \left[\frac{(140 - 55) * 59.3}{72 * 0.75} \right] = 79.3 \ ml \ / \min$$

$$k_e = 0.00293*(79.3)+0.014 = 0.246 \ h^{-1}$$

 $t_{1/2} = 0.693/0.246 = 2.81 \ h$

$$C = (Dose/V)*e^{-ke*t}$$

$$V = 0.25 \text{ L/kg }*60 \text{ kg} = 15 \text{ L}$$

$$1 \text{ mg/L} = (Dose/15)*e^{-0.246*1}$$

$$Dose = 19.2 \text{ mg}$$

2.) Bob W. is a 48-year-old man on aminoglycoside therapy. He is 5'11" tall and weighs 140 kg. His serum creatinine level is 1.3 mg/dl. What is his creatinine clearance? What is the patient's k_e and half-life?

$$IBW = 50 + 2.3*11 = 75.3 \text{ kg}$$

Patient may be considered obese, therefore check to see if total body weight is 20% over IBW.

$$15.06+75.3 = 90.36 \text{ kg} \ll 140$$
, therefore use Absolute body weight.

$$ABW = 75.3 + 0.4*(140-75.3) = 101.2 \text{ kg}$$

$$CrCl = \frac{(140-48)*101.2}{72*1.3} = 99.5 \, ml \, / \min$$

$$ke = 0.00293*(99.5) + 0.014 = 0.305 h^{-1}$$

 $t_{1/2} = 0.693/0.305 = 2.3 h$

- 3.) A patient has overdosed on phenobarbital, a weak acid drug. If the drug is not cleared hepatically, what are two ways you could treat the patient?
 - 1. Make urine more alkaline.
 - 2. Increase urine flow rate.

4.) True or false:

Fluid is filtered across the glomerulus through passive diffusion. True.

An ionized and hydrophilic drug is more likely to cross biological membranes.

False.

Drug below is an acidic drug. True.

