

Homework 5

1. Given the following equation give the portion which represents (1.5 pts)

$$C_{\min} = \frac{Dose}{Vd} * \left(\frac{1}{1 - e^{-ke*\tau}} \right) * e^{-ke*t}$$

- A. The Cmax
- B. The accumulation factor
- C. Elimination

$$A = Dose/Vd$$
$$B = 1/(1 - e^{-ke*\tau})$$
$$C = e^{-ke*t}$$

2. Drug X was given via IV bolus. The pharmacokinetics of Drug X can be described by linear one-compartment model. Volume of distribution of this drug is 18 L, and its half-life is 4 hr. If AB was administered this drug twice a day (BID).

A. Calculate the accumulation factor at steady state (1pt).

$$ke = 0.693/T_{1/2} = 0.693/4 = 0.173/\text{hr}$$
$$R_{ss} = 1/(1 - e^{-ke*12}) = 1/(1 - e^{-0.173*12}) = 1.14$$

B. Calculate the average concentration for a dose of 500 mg (1pt).

$$C_{pss} = D/(CL*\tau) = D/(ke*Vd*\tau) = 500\text{mg}/(0.173\text{hr}^{-1}*18\text{L}*12\text{hr}) = 13.36\text{mg/L}$$

C. Calculate the maximum and minimum plasma concentrations (C_{\max} , C_{\min}) in the body at steady state if dose of 500mg (2pts).

$$C_{\max} = D/Vd*R_{ss} = 500/18*1.14 = 24.37 \text{ mg/L}$$
$$C_{\min} = C_{\max}*e^{-ke*\tau} = 24.37\text{mg/L}*e^{-0.173*12} = 3.06 \text{ mg/L}$$

3. A 60-kg patient is to be started on a continuous intravenous infusion. To achieve an immediate effect, a loading dose is administered as an IV bolus. The continuous infusion is started immediately after the loading dose. The desired average steady state concentration is 15mg/L. The volume of distribution 30L and the clearance is 7 L/hr.

A. Calculate the loading dose (1pt).

$$\text{Loading dose} = \text{Concentration} * Vd = 15\text{mg/L} * 30\text{L} = 450\text{mg}$$

B. Calculate the maintenance dose (infusion rate) (1pt).

$$R_0 = \text{Concentration} * CL = 15 \text{mg/L} * 7 \text{L/hr} = 105 \text{mg/hr}$$

C. How long until steady state is reached? (0.5pt)

$$\text{Steady state} = 5 \text{ half-lives} = 5 * (0.693 / (CL/Vd)) = 5 * (0.693 / (7 \text{L/hr} / 30 \text{L})) = 14.85 \text{hr}$$

D. The patient remains on the constant infusion for 5 days and it is then stopped. Predict the concentration 5 hours after the infusion is stopped (1pt).

Once the infusion has stopped, the concentration at any given time can be calculated using the iv bolus equation.

$$C_{ss} = R_0 / CL = 105 \text{mg/hr} / 7 \text{L/hr} = 15 \text{mg/L}$$

$$C = C_0 * e^{(-ke * t)} = 15 \text{mg/L} * e^{(-7 \text{L/hr} / 30 \text{L} * 5 \text{hr})} = 4.67 \text{mg/L}$$

E. It is decided that the infusion should be restarted when the concentration equals 2mg/L. How long after the stop of the infusion should it be restarted (1pt)?

$$C = C_0 * e^{(-ke * t)} \quad \ln(C/C_0) = -ke * t \quad \ln(C/C_0) / -ke = t$$
$$\ln(2 \text{mg/L} / 15 \text{mg/L}) / -(7 \text{L/hr} / 30 \text{L}) = 8.63 \text{hr}$$