

# USER MANUAL

## RKinetDS v. 1.0

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## 1. Introduction

RKinetDS is a software for modeling drug dissolution profiles. It describes a drug dissolution curve by fitting provided data from dissolution tests to a particular model. Models were chosen from the most popular mechanistic and empirical models used in drug dissolution testing. Their detailed list can be found in the section “[Implemented models](#)” of this document. List of possible optimization methods can be found in the section “[Optimization methods and parameters](#)” of this document.

The software was written in R language. Graphical user interface (GUI) was developed using Shiny R package.

## 2. Software requirements

There are no special requirements for the operating system. Software runs on Linux and Windows based systems. The application works in a web browser as well as on a computer. In order to run the software, the R environment is required. It can be downloaded at the following Internet address: <https://www.r-project.org/>. Installation of additional packages is necessary, that is:

- stringr (<https://cran.r-project.org/package=stringr>)
- nloptr (<https://cran.r-project.org/package=nloptr>)
- GenSA (<https://cran.r-project.org/package=GenSA>)
- rgenoud (<https://cran.r-project.org/package=rgenoud>)
- config (<https://cran.r-project.org/package=config>)
- yaml (<https://cran.r-project.org/package=yaml>)
- shiny (<https://cran.r-project.org/package=shiny>)
- shinyjs (<https://cran.r-project.org/package=shinyjs>)
- shinyFiles (<https://cran.r-project.org/package=shinyFiles>)
- shinythemes (<https://cran.r-project.org/package=shinythemes>)
- shinycssloaders (<https://cran.r-project.org/package=shinycssloaders>)
- shinyWidgets (<https://cran.r-project.org/package=shinyWidgets>)
- plotly (<https://cran.r-project.org/package=plotly>)

The efficiency of the application depends on the speed of the computer, especially the speed of the processor and the available RAM. It should be noted that when performing complex calculations (e.g. using all built-in models and large number of iterations), the calculation may take a long time.

### 3. Implemented models

The list of models included in the software is provided below. The software consists of 17 different models, additionally a lag time was added for each of them.

Explanation of used symbols:

- $Q$  – amount of dissolved substance [%]
- $Q_0$  – initial amount of substance [%]
- $k$  – rate constant
- $t$  – time
- $t_{lag}$  – lag time
- $V_{max}$  – maximum velocity
- $\beta$  – shape parameter
- $\alpha$  – scale parameter
- $n$  – release exponent
- $\Phi$  – standard normal distribution

#### 1. Zero order model

$$Q = k \cdot t + Q_0$$

#### 2. Zero order model with lag time

$$Q = k \cdot (t - t_{lag}) + Q_0$$

#### 3. First order model

$$Q = Q_0 \cdot e^{k \cdot t}$$

#### 4. First order model with lag time

$$Q = Q_0 \cdot e^{k \cdot (t - t_{lag})}$$

5. Second order model

$$Q = \frac{Q_0}{1 + k \cdot t \cdot Q_0}$$

6. Second order model with lag time

$$Q = \frac{Q_0}{1 + k \cdot (t - t_{\text{lag}}) \cdot Q_0}$$

7. Third order model:

$$Q = \sqrt{\frac{1}{k \cdot t + \frac{1}{Q_0^2}}}$$

8. Third order model with lag time:

$$Q = \sqrt{\frac{1}{k \cdot (t - t_{\text{lag}}) + \frac{1}{Q_0^2}}}$$

9. Michaelis-Menten model:

$$Q = \frac{V_{\text{max}} \cdot t}{k + t}$$

10. Michaelis-Menten model with lag time:

$$Q = \frac{V_{\text{max}} \cdot (t - t_{\text{lag}})}{k + (t - t_{\text{lag}})}$$

11. Hill model:

$$Q = \frac{V_{\text{max}} \cdot t^\beta}{k^\beta + t^\beta}$$

12. Hill model with lag time:

$$Q = \frac{V_{\text{max}} \cdot (t - t_{\text{lag}})^\beta}{k^\beta + (t - t_{\text{lag}})^\beta}$$

13. Weibull model:

$$Q = 100 \cdot (1 - e^{-\frac{t^\beta}{\alpha}})$$

14. Weibull model with lag time:

$$Q = 100 \cdot \left(1 - e^{\frac{-(t-t_{\text{lag}})^\beta}{\alpha}}\right)$$

15. Higuchi model:

$$Q = k \cdot \sqrt{t}$$

16. Higuchi model with lag time:

$$Q = k \cdot \sqrt{(t - t_{\text{lag}})}$$

17. Hixson-Crowley model:

$$Q = 100 - (k \cdot t + \sqrt[3]{Q_0})^3$$

18. Hixson-Crowley model with lag time:

$$Q = 100 - [k \cdot (t - t_{\text{lag}}) + \sqrt[3]{Q_0}]^3$$

19. Korsmeyer-Peppas model:

$$Q = k \cdot t^n$$

20. Korsmeyer-Peppas model with lag time:

$$Q = k \cdot (t - t_{\text{lag}})^n$$

21. Hopfenberg model:

$$Q = 100 \cdot [1 - (1 - k \cdot t)^n]$$

22. Hopfenberg model with lag time:

$$Q = 100 \cdot [1 - (1 - k \cdot (t - t_{\text{lag}}))^n]$$

23. Peppas-Sahlin model:

$$Q = k_1 \cdot t^n + k_2 \cdot t^{2 \cdot n}$$

24. Peppas-Sahlin model with lag time:

$$Q = k_1 \cdot (t - t_{\text{lag}})^n + k_2 \cdot (t - t_{\text{lag}})^{2 \cdot n}$$

25. Quadratic model:

$$Q = 100 \cdot (k_1 \cdot t^2 + k_2 \cdot t)$$

26. Quadratic model with lag time:

$$Q = 100 \cdot [k_1 \cdot (t - t_{\text{lag}})^2 + k_2 \cdot (t - t_{\text{lag}})]$$

27. Logistic model:

$$Q = 100 \cdot \frac{e^{\alpha + \beta \cdot \log(t)}}{1 + e^{\alpha + \beta \cdot \log(t)}}$$

28. Logistic model with lag time:

$$Q = 100 \cdot \frac{e^{\alpha + \beta \cdot \log(t - t_{\text{lag}})}}{1 + e^{\alpha + \beta \cdot \log(t - t_{\text{lag}})}}$$

29. Gompertz model:

$$Q = 100 \cdot e^{-\alpha \cdot e^{\beta \cdot \log(t)}}$$

30. Gompertz model with lag time:

$$Q = 100 \cdot e^{-\alpha \cdot e^{\beta \cdot \log(t - t_{\text{lag}})}}$$

31. Probit model:

$$Q = 100 \cdot \Phi[\alpha + \beta \cdot \log(t)]$$

32. Probit model with lag time:

$$Q = 100 \cdot \Phi[\alpha + \beta \cdot \log(t) - t_{\text{lag}}]$$

33. Makoid-Banakar model:

$$Q = k \cdot t^n \cdot e^{-kt}$$

34. Makoid-Banakar model with lag time:

$$Q = k \cdot (t - t_{\text{lag}})^n \cdot e^{-k(t - t_{\text{lag}})}$$

## 4. Optimization methods and parameters

The software has implemented five optimization methods:

- 1) SANN
- 2) nloptr
- 3) Nelder Mead
- 4) genSA
- 5) rgenoud

For each optimization method, the maximum number of iterations can be specified by the user. Moreover, maximum number of iterations in Broyden–Fletcher–Goldfarb–Shanno (BFGS) method can be specified. BFGS is the basis for performing calculations for each of the five optimization methods.

The user can specify the value of stop criterion for optimizing the likelihood function. It is also possible to choose whether to trace optimization function evaluations, or not. If yes, it improves the efficiency of function evaluations.

## 5. Best model criterion

Software uses root-mean-square error (RMSE, also called root-mean-square deviation – RMSD) to evaluate differences between observed and predicted model data. The formula of RMSE is presented below:

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (x - x_i)^2}{N}}$$

where:

i – variable

N – number of data points

x – observation data

$x_i$  – estimated observation data

## 6. Input file

The input file is a tab delimited text file format (\*.txt). The first column contains time-points and can be expressed in selected by the user format (minutes, hours etc.). The second column is for dissolved amount of drug substance, and it is expressed in percentages. Users can choose in a software if the provided data file contains headers, or not. Default settings include headers.

Time	Dissolved amount
0	0
1	2.44

**Figure 1** Example input data

## 7. Config files

The software has two config files (.yaml) by default. The first one is called factory\_config and stores the application's factory settings. The second one is called user\_config and saves the current app settings specified by the user. Both files should not be edited by the user, otherwise the application error may occur. Any changes to these files should only be made by the users with appropriate knowledge and on their own responsibility.

Config files store information about:

- models' equations,
- selected models,
- optimization methods,
- optimization parameters,
- input data format.

## 8. GUI elements

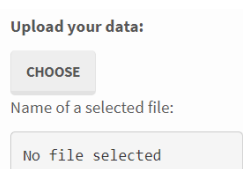
Graphical User Interface (GUI) consists of four different tabs: “Main panel”, “Settings”, “Results”, and “More”. Detailed description of each section is described in the next sections.



## 8.1. Main panel

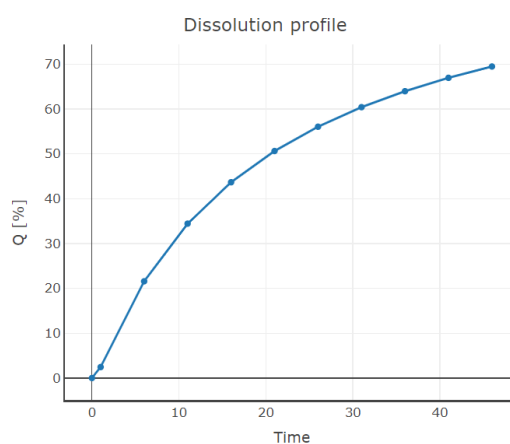
After opening the application, the “Main panel” displays automatically. The “Main panel” allows the user to:

1) Upload a data file and display the name of a file. The data file can be loaded by clicking on the button called “CHOOSE” on the left side of the app.



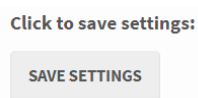
**Figure 2** Button for loading a data file

2) Display a graph. A graph is displayed on the right side of the app.



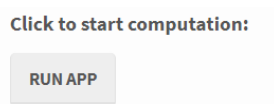
**Figure 3** Section displaying a graph

3) Save settings of the application. The selected settings are saved by clicking on the button called “SAVE SETTINGS” on the left side of the app.



**Figure 4** Button for saving settings within “Main panel” window

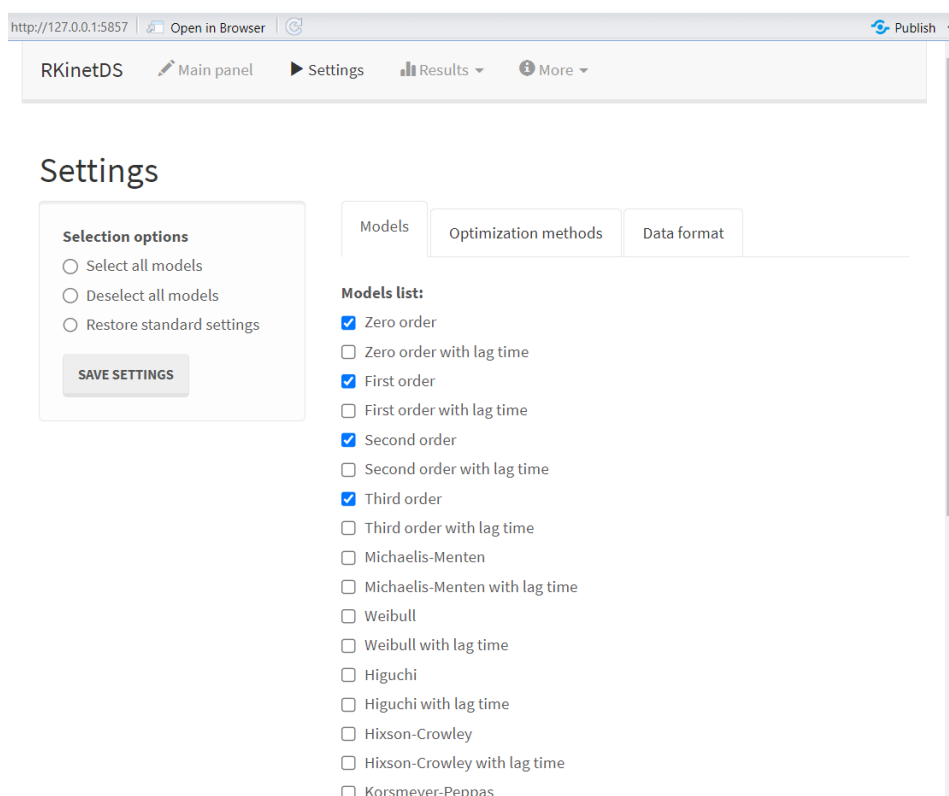
4) Run the application. The application is started by clicking on the button called “RUN APP”.



**Figure 5** Button for running the application

## 8.2. Settings

After clicking tabs “Settings”, the settings window will be shown. The user can do this by navigating within “Settings” window and clicking on tabs called: “Models”, “Optimization methods”, and “Data format”.



**Figure 6** “Settings” window

The “Settings” window allows the user to:

### 1) Choose models used for computation

The selection of models is done within the tab named “Models” by manually clicking on the appropriate checkbox (right side of the app). It is also a possibility to select or deselect all models at once by clicking bullet buttons (left side of the app).

### Settings

**Selection options**

- ☐ Select all models
- ☐ Deselect all models
- ☐ Restore standard settings

SAVE SETTINGS

Models

Optimization methods

Data format

**Models list:**

- ☒ Zero order
- ☐ Zero order with lag time
- ☒ First order
- ☐ First order with lag time
- ☒ Second order
- ☐ Second order with lag time
- ☒ Third order

**Figure 7** “Models” tab within “Settings” window

**Selection options**

- ☐ Select all models
- ☐ Deselect all models
- ☐ Restore standard settings

SAVE SETTINGS

**Models list:**

- ☒ Zero order
- ☐ Zero order with lag time
- ☒ First order
- ☐ First order with lag time
- ☒ Second order
- ☐ Second order with lag time
- ☒ Third order

**Figure 8** Checkbox and bullet buttons for selecting modes

## 2) Choose optimization methods used for computation

The selection of optimization methods is done within the tab named “Optimization methods” by manually clicking on the appropriate checkbox on the right side of the app.

### Settings

**Selection options**

- ☐ Select all models
- ☐ Deselect all models
- ☐ Restore standard settings

SAVE SETTINGS

Models

Optimization methods

Data format

**Optimization method:**

- ☐ SANN
- ☒ nloptr
- ☐ NelderMead
- ☐ genSA
- ☐ rgenoud

**Optimization parameters:**

Tracing of optimization function evaluations:

Yes

Maximum number of iterations in BFGS method:

5000

Value of stop criterion for optimizing:

1e-20

Maximum number of iterations in nloptr method:

10000

**Figure 9** “Optimization methods” tab within “Settings” window

**Optimization method:**

- ☐ SANN
- ☒ nloptr
- ☐ NelderMead
- ☐ genSA
- ☐ rgenoud

**Figure 10** Checkbox for selecting optimization methods

Below the list of optimization methods, there is section that allows to specify the optimization parameters. Options called “Tracing of optimization function evaluations”, “Maximum number of iterations in BFGS method”, and “Value of stop criterion for optimizing” always should be seen. The selection is made by entering the appropriate value or selecting from the drop-down list.

**Optimization parameters:**

Tracing of optimization function evaluations:

Maximum number of iterations in BFGS method:

Value of stop criterion for optimizing:

**Figure 11** Overall “Optimization parameters” section

In addition, after clicking on a selected model, options related to the given model are displayed, e.g., if “nloptr” method is selected, box named “Maximum number of iterations in nloptr method” should appear.

**Optimization parameters:**

Tracing of optimization function evaluations:

Maximum number of iterations in BFGS method:

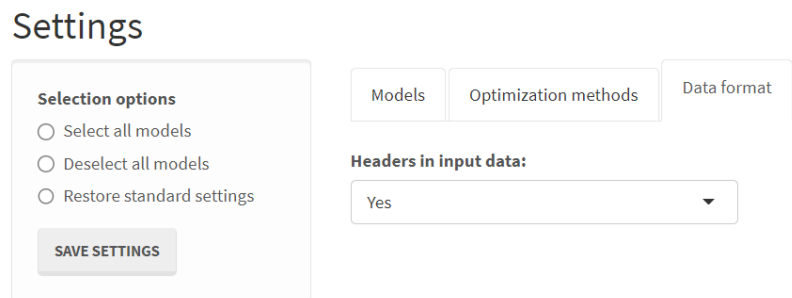
Value of stop criterion for optimizing:

Maximum number of iterations in nloptr method:

**Figure 12** Overall and specific “Optimization parameters” section

### 3) Modify data format used for computation

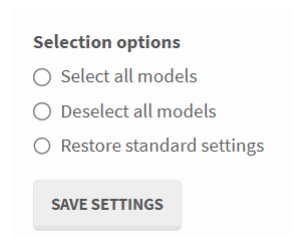
The selection of optimization methods is done within the tab named “Data format” from the drop-down list on the right side of the app. It allows to choose whether uploaded data contains headers, or not.



**Figure 13** “Data format” tab within “Settings” window

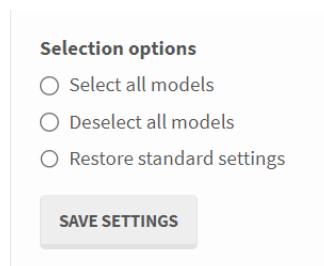
### 4) Restore standard settings

The possibility of restoring the initial settings is in the section called “Selection options” (left side of the app). It can be done by selecting an appropriate bullet button called “Restore standard settings”.



**Figure 14** Bullet buttons for selecting “Restore standard settings”

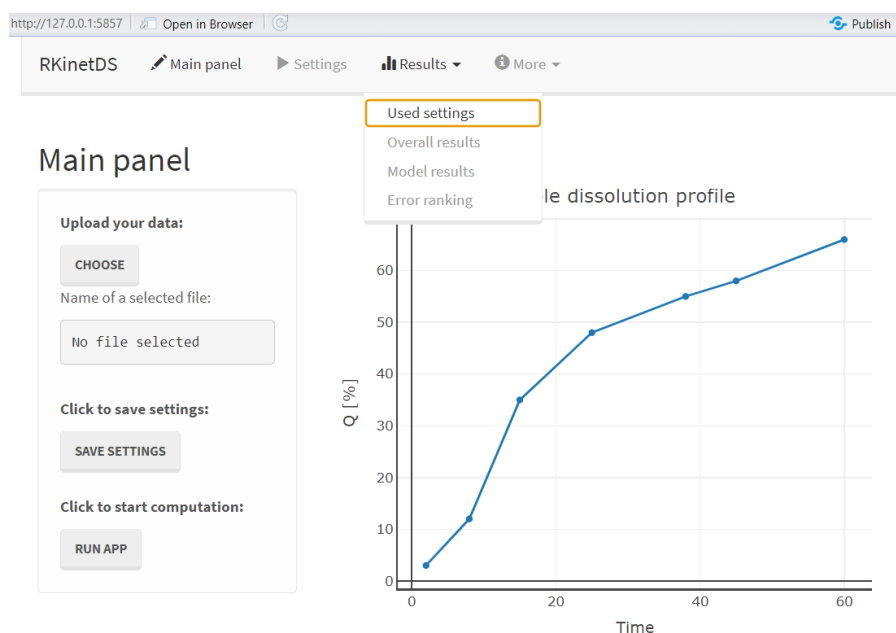
5) Save settings. The selected settings are saved by clicking on the button called “SAVE SETTINGS” on the left side of the app.



**Figure 15** Button for saving settings within “Settings” windows

### 8.3. Results

After clicking tab named “Results”, a drop-down list is shown. It consists of tabs named: “Used settings”, “Overall results”, “Model results”, and “Error ranking”.

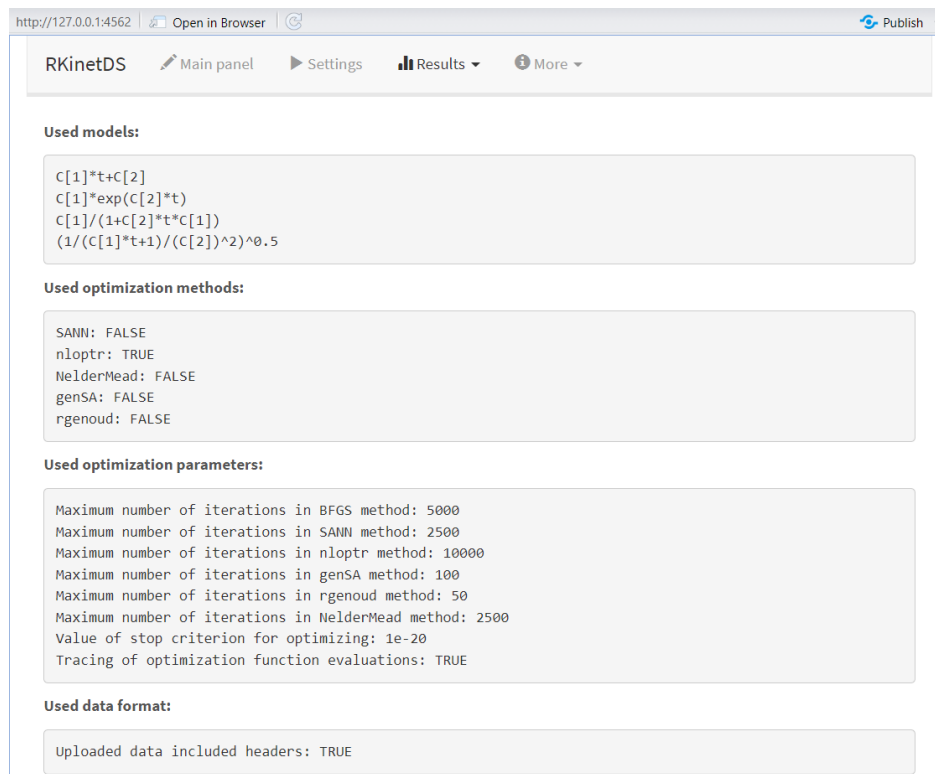


**Figure 16** “Results” drop-down list

#### 1) Used settings

After clicking “Used settings” a current, saved configuration settings are displayed. Used settings tab contains information about:

- used models – only selected models' equations are displayed,
- used optimization methods – all possible optimization methods with corresponding “TRUE” (meaning this optimization is used) or “FALSE” (meaning this optimization is not used) value are displayed,
- used optimization parameters – all possible optimization parameters with corresponding values are displayed, even if one or more values are not used during computation,
- used data format – it displays info whether uploaded data file contained headers, or not.



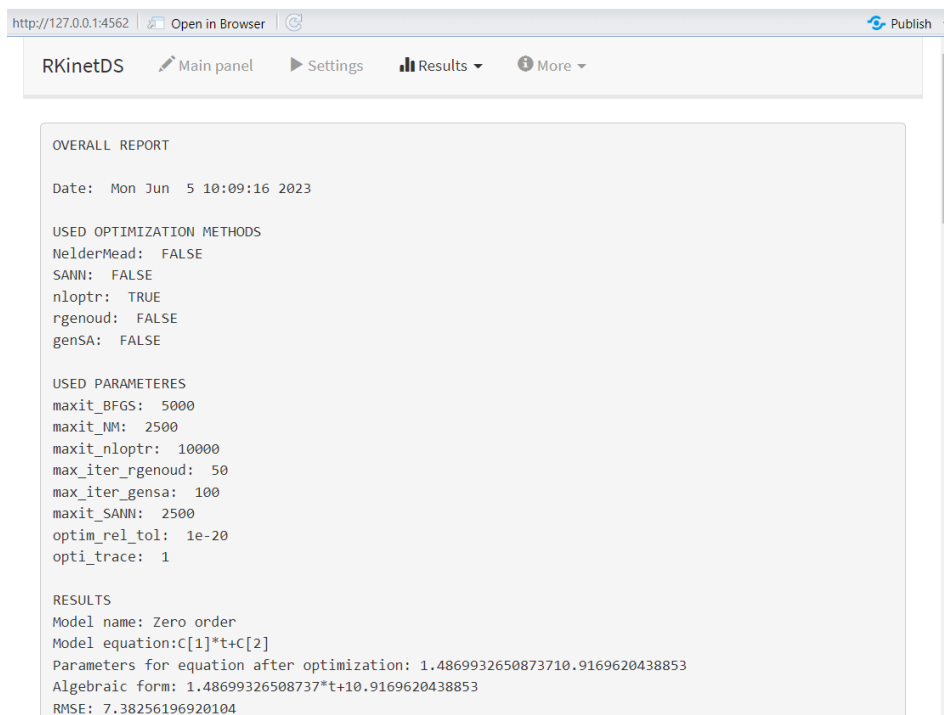
**Figure 17** “Used settings” window

## 2) Overall results

When the application has not yet been started, this tab should display information “Results not found”.

After the running of the app, it should display overall results. They contain information about:

- date of report,
- used optimization methods,
- used optimization parameters,
- detailed results for each model (model name, model equation, parameters for equation after optimization, algebraic form of equation, RMSE),
- information about computer system,
- installed by the user packages and their versions.



**Figure 18** Fragment of a window of tab called “Overall results” within “Results” panel

### 3) Model results

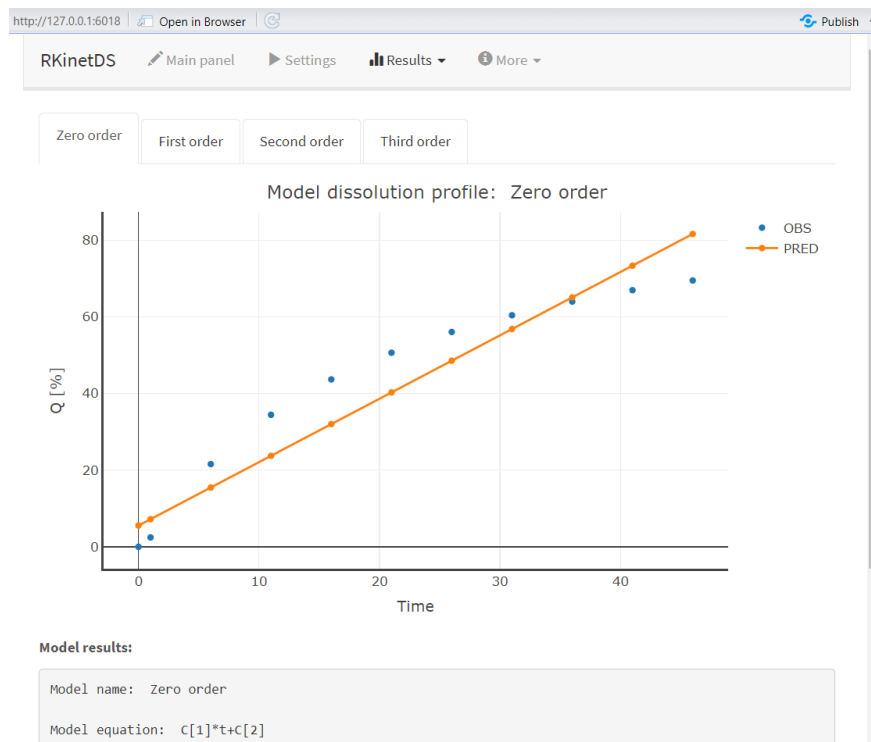
When the application has not yet been started, this tab should be empty.

After the running of the app, it should display detailed results for each model. All model results are presented in a separate tab, where the tab name is the model's name. Each tab contains:

- graph with results for this model (predicted and observed data is shown)
- model name,
- model equation.
- parameters for equation after optimization,
- algebraic form of equation, which is equation with included calculated parameters,
- RMSE value,
- file data path when the user can find the results.

The graph is displayed at the top and the results for the model below it.





**Figure 19** Zero order model graph after calculations

**Model results:**

Model name: Zero order

Model equation:  $C[1] \cdot t + C[2]$

Parameters for equation after optimization: 1.653571    5.540408

Algebraic form:  $1.65357073473773 \cdot t + 5.54040841076023$

RMSE: 7.382562

**Results file path:**

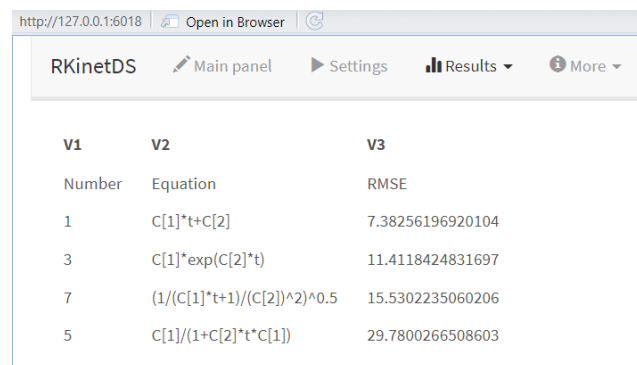
C:\Users\frane\Desktop\RKinetDS\Results\_eq\_1\optimizedEquation\_1.txt

**Figure 20** Zero order model results and results file path after calculations

#### 4) Error ranking

When the application has not yet been started, this tab should be empty.

After the running of the app, it should display error ranking. The ranking is in the form of a table with 3 columns called "Number", "Equation" and "RMSE" and rows which number depends on the number of selected models. Models are ranked from lowest to highest value of RMSE.



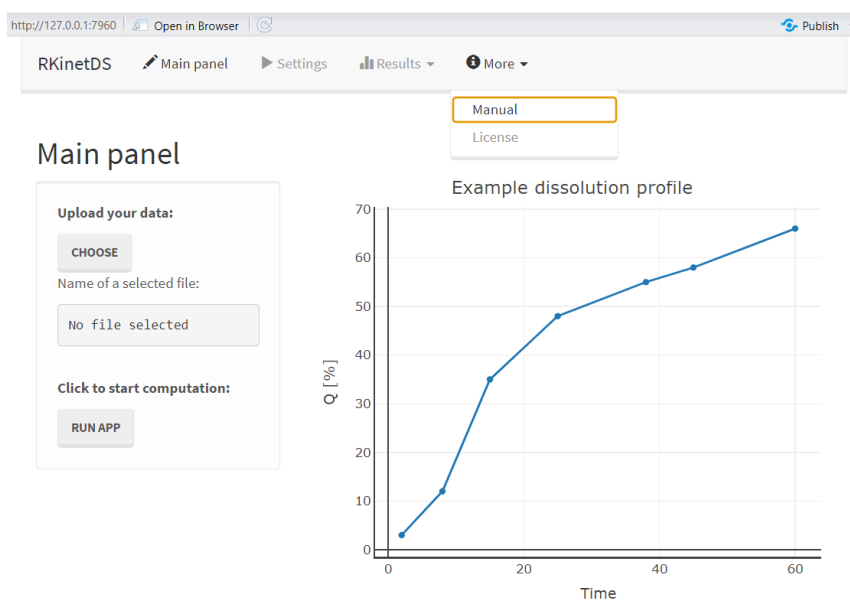
The screenshot shows the RKinetDS web application interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the title 'RKinetDS' and several tabs: 'Main panel', 'Settings', 'Results', and 'More'. The 'Results' tab is currently selected, displaying a table of error rankings. The table has three columns: 'V1' (Number), 'V2' (Equation), and 'V3' (RMSE). The data is as follows:

V1	V2	V3
Number	Equation	RMSE
1	$C[1]*t+C[2]$	7.38256196920104
3	$C[1]*\exp(C[2]*t)$	11.4118424831697
7	$(1/(C[1]*t+1))/(C[2])^{0.5}$	15.5302235060206
5	$C[1]/(1+C[2]*t*C[1])$	29.7800266508603

**Figure 21** Error ranking displayed after running the app

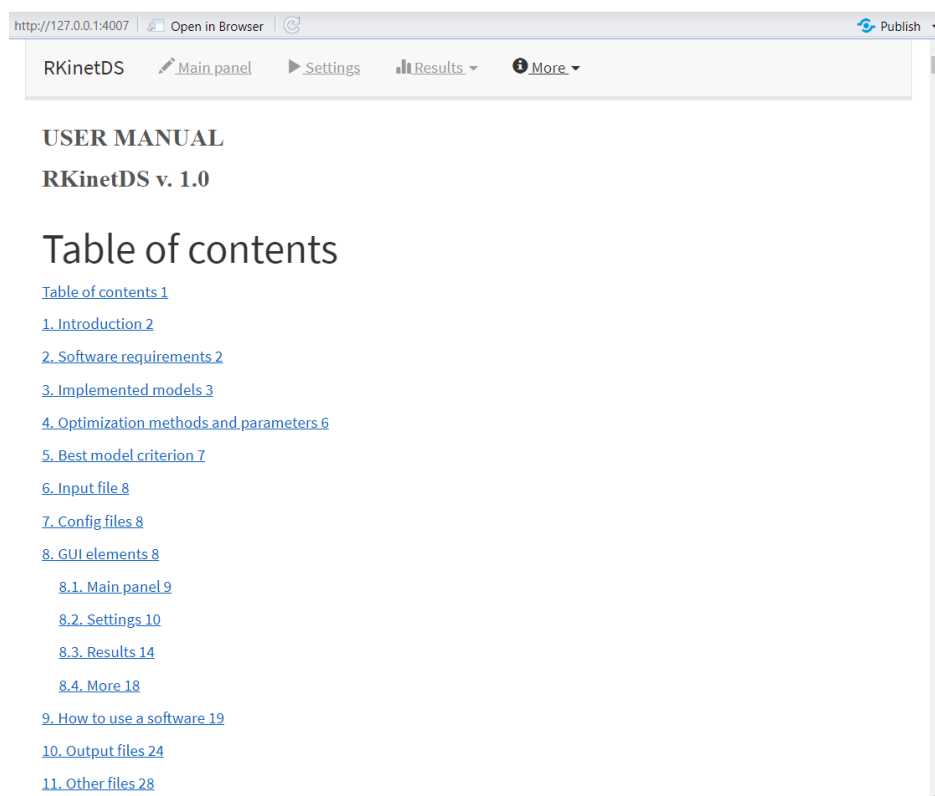
## 8.4. More

After clicking tab named “More”, a drop-down list is shown. It consists of tabs named: “Manual”, and “License”.



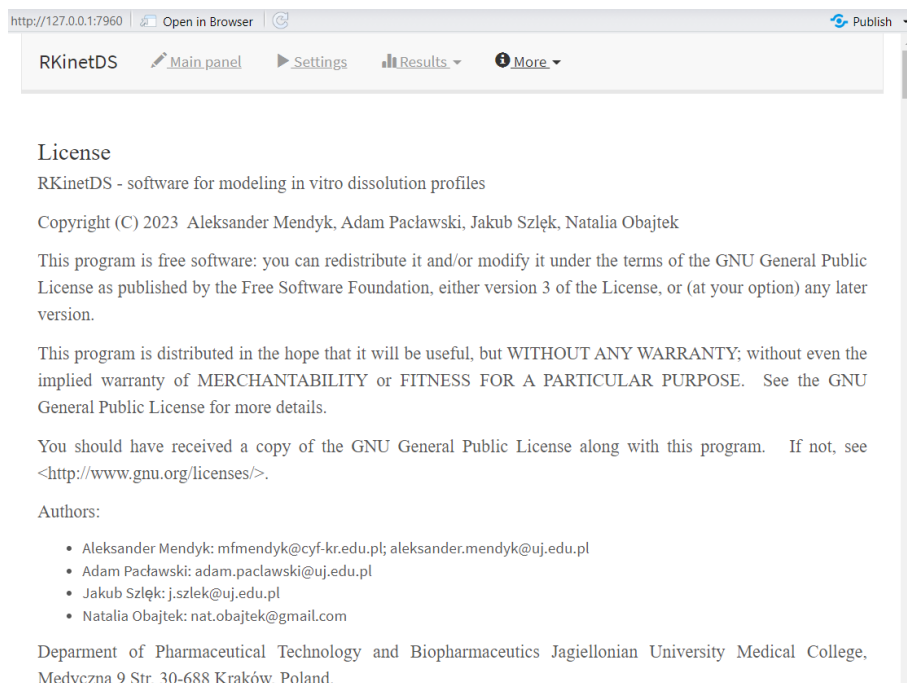
**Figure 22** “More” drop-down list

After clicking “Manual” a short version of documentation is displayed.



**Figure 23** “Manual” window

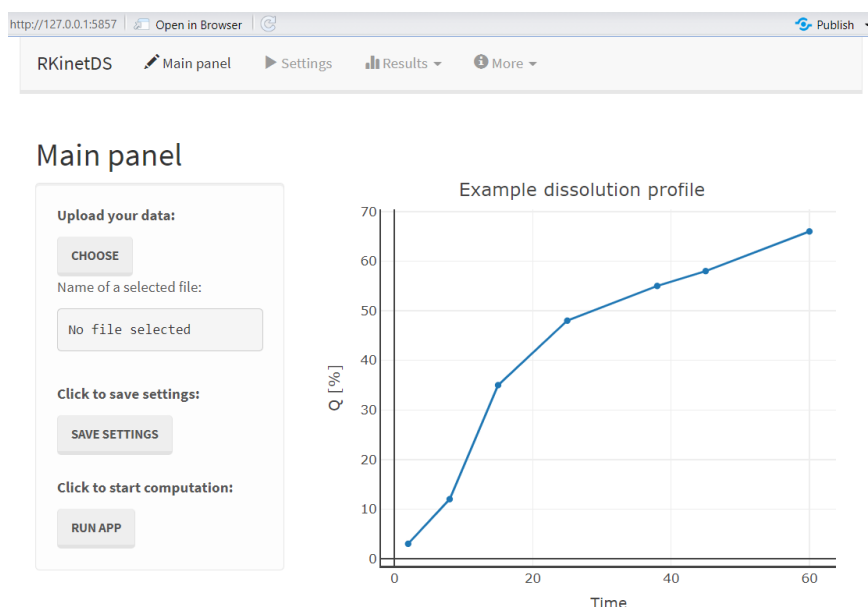
After clicking “License” a license text is displayed.



**Figure 24** “License” window

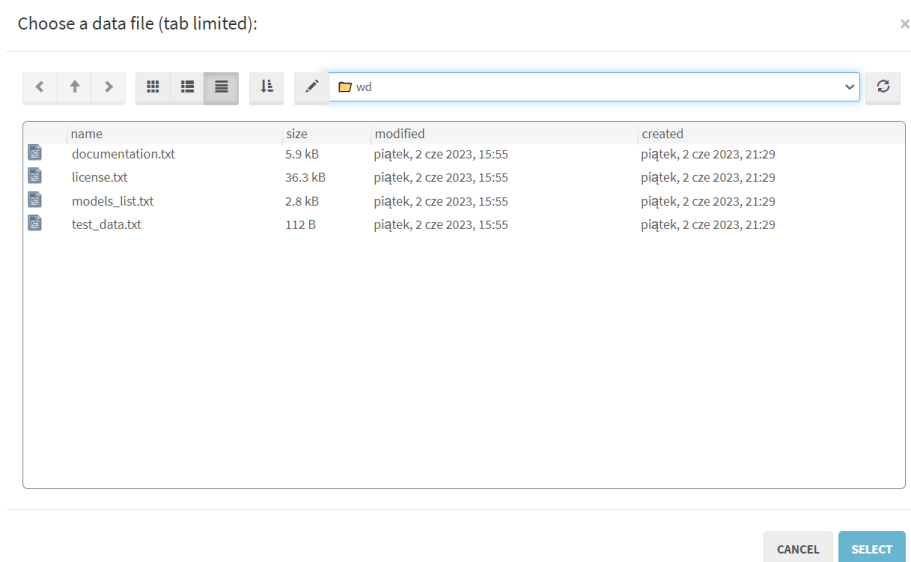
## 9. How to use a software

After opening the application, the “Main panel” displays automatically.



**Figure 25** “Main panel” window

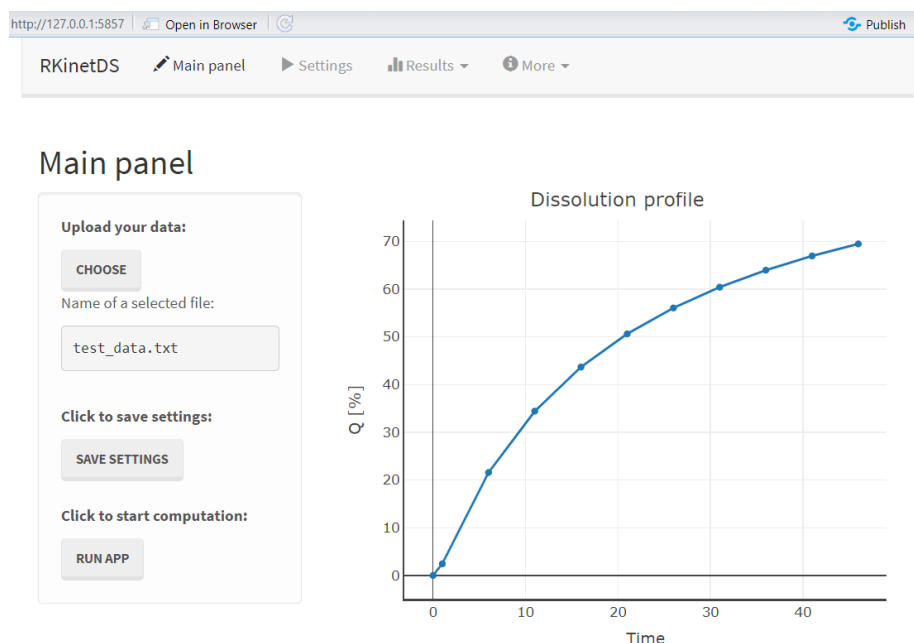
The data file can be uploaded to the application by clicking the "CHOOSE" button. It is not possible to upload more than one file at a time. After clicking the button, a new window should appear to browse files.



**Figure 26** Window that appears after clicking "Choose" button

Select the desired file and click "Select". The windows should close, and you should see the main panel with two main changes: chosen file name in the section “Name of a selected file”

and a graph representing the loaded data. Uploading data is a necessary step in order to run the app.

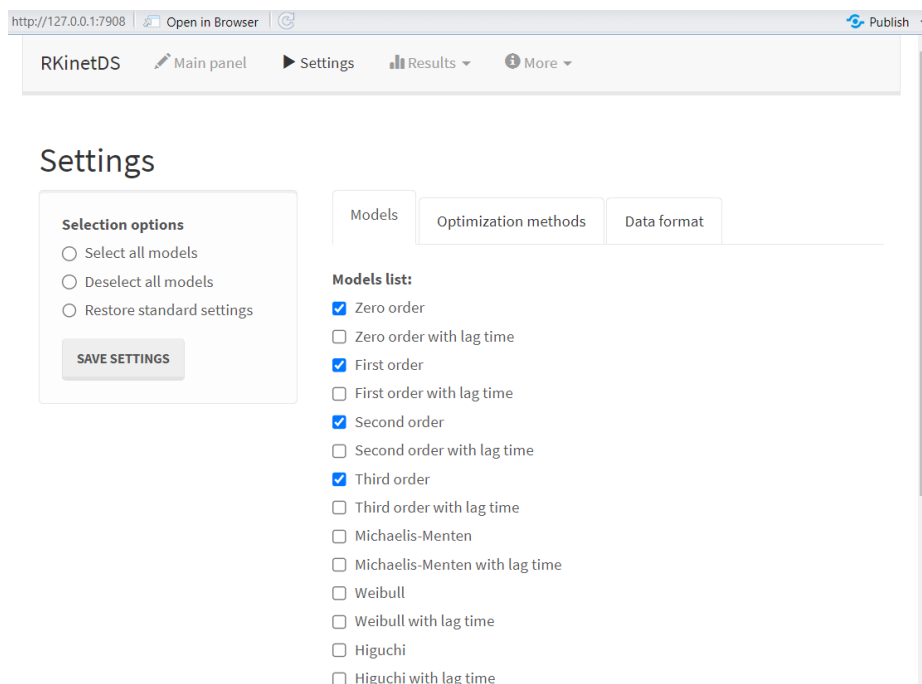


**Figure 27** Window that appears after uploading a data file

In the next step, the "Settings" panel should be selected when the user can choose desired models and specify optimization parameters and information about the input file. One or more models can be used at the same time, as well as one or more optimization methods. Specific value for the maximum iterations and value of stop criterion for optimizing must be provided, otherwise the computation will not complete, and no results will be produced.

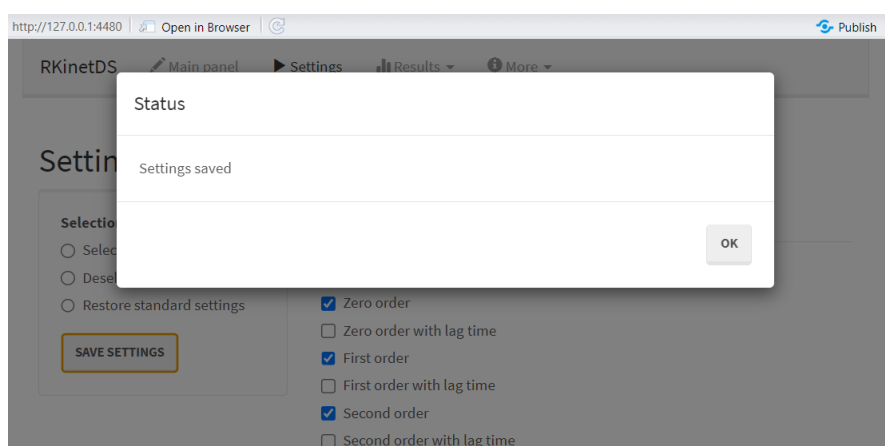
If the user's data does not contain headers, it is necessary to select it in the settings. Otherwise, the application will stop working. Default settings include headers.

By default, when opening the application, the factory configuration or the last saved configuration is displayed in the "Settings" panel.



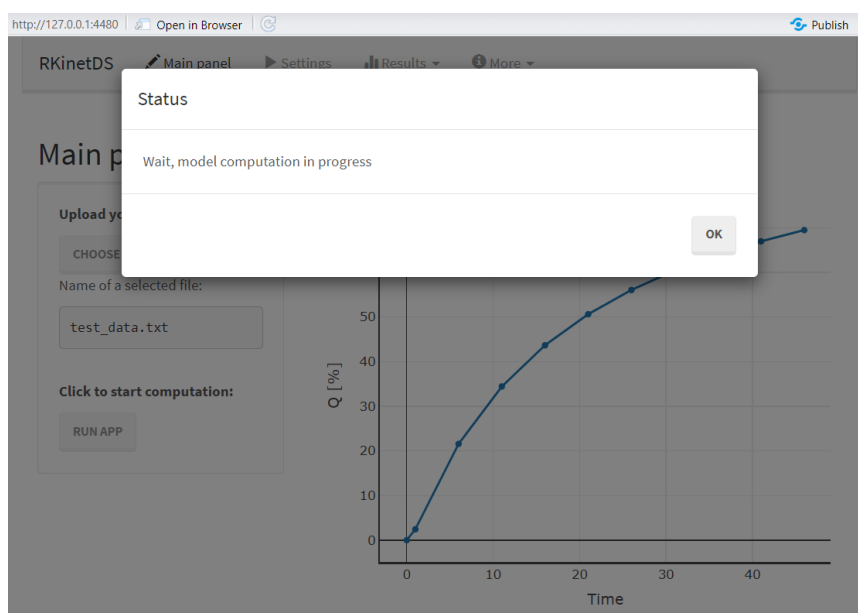
**Figure 28** Window that allows user to select desired settings

Clicking button "SAVE SETTINGS" before "RUN APP" is not necessary in order to run app. Settings are automatically captured as the user starts computation by clicking "RUN APP" and they are saved to a config file "user\_config.yml". However, if the user only wants to save data to a user\_config file and not run the calculations, the button "SAVE SETTINGS" should be clicked. In this case, when the app is open again, the last saved settings will be displayed. When done correctly, after saving options a message "Settings saved" appears. The user can close this message.



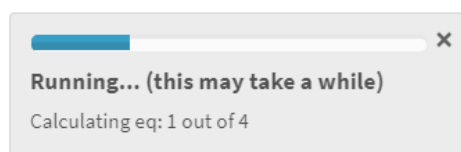
**Figure 29** The message shown after saving the settings

After selecting the desired options, the user can go back to “Main panel” and start app by clicking button called “RUN APP”. The message “Wait, model computation in progress” should appear.



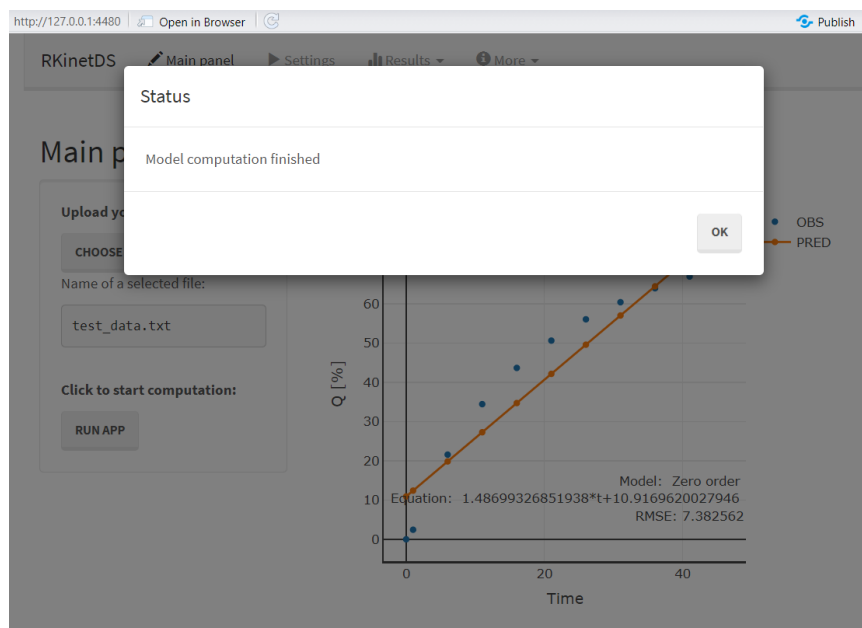
**Figure 30** The message shown after running the app

The user can close this message, but it doesn't mean calculations ended. During calculations the user cannot select any options in the application, and this is a sign that the application is still working. Nevertheless, it is possible to navigate through the tabs without clicking any options. The user also has the calculation progress displayed in the lower right corner of the application, showing how many models have been already calculated.



**Figure 31** Progress bar

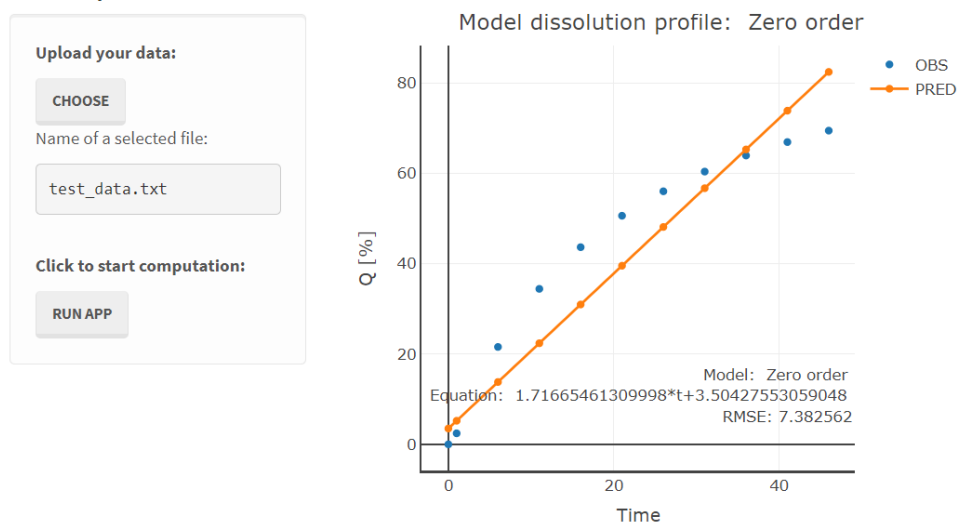
When the calculation is complete, a message “Model computation finished” appears. The user can close this message.



**Figure 32** The message shown after the end of calculations

After performing the calculations, the graph, model name, equation and RMSE of the best model is displayed in the “Main panel” on the right side of the app. “PRED” plot shows predicted data and “OBS” plots shows observed data.

### Main panel



**Figure 33** “Main panel” displaying information about the best model

Detailed results for every model can be found in the panel called “Results”. The user can see what settings were used, an overall report for all selected models, detailed results for each model with a graph, and the ranking of the models ranked by the value of RMSE.



After the calculations are completed and the results are seen by the user, the application can be closed. The computer holds all the results as files. Until the user restarts the application from the same path, the results remain saved. Note that, if the user restarts the apps with the same path, the old files are deleted and replaced with new ones after clicking "RUN APP".

## 10. Output files

The results are stored in the form of text files. After the calculation is completed, for every used model a separate folder is created called "Results\_eq\_no" (e.g., 3 selected models mean 3 created folders). Their number (no) corresponds to the model number that can be found in the file called "models\_list" (.txt). For example, a folder called "Results\_eq\_3" stores results for the first order model.

In every folder there are two text files called "optimizedEquation\_no" (.txt) and "results\_no" (.txt).

Model name: First order

Model equation:  $C[1] \cdot \exp(C[2] \cdot t)$

Parameters for equation after optimization: 9.017387      0.04979399

Algebraic form:  $9.01738720450236 \cdot \exp(0.0497939876897261 \cdot t)$

RMSE: 16.81548

**Figure 34** Example "optimizedEquation\_no" file results

"Time"	"Observed"	"Predicted"
0	0	9.01738720450236
1	2.44	9.47776579535951
6	21.57	12.1571630966228
11	34.43	15.5940353189832
16	43.66	20.0025232529164
21	50.62	25.6573060339555

26	56.04	32.9107155430537
31	60.4	42.214689107359
36	63.96	54.1489283057265
41	66.94	69.4570183663291
46	69.47	89.0927586433947

**Figure 35** Example " results\_no" file results

Outside of these folders are two output files: “overall\_report” (.txt) and “error\_ranking” (.txt).

## OVERALL REPORT

Date: Sat Jun 3 17:27:10 2023

## USED OPTIMIZATION METHODS

NelderMead: FALSE

SANN: FALSE

nloptr: TRUE

rgenoud: FALSE

genSA: FALSE

## USED PARAMETERES

maxit\_BFGS: 5000

maxit\_NM: 2500

maxit\_nloptr: 10000

max\_iter\_rgenoud: 50

max\_iter\_gensa: 100

maxit\_SANN: 2500

optim\_rel\_tol: 1e-20

opti\_trace: 1

## RESULTS

Model name: Zero order

Model equation:  $C[1]*t+C[2]$

Parameters for equation after optimization: 1.653570734737735.54040841076023

Algebraic form:  $1.65357073473773*t+5.54040841076023$

RMSE: 7.38256196920104

Model name: First order

Model equation:  $C[1]*\exp(C[2]*t)$

Parameters for equation after optimization: 9.017387204502360.0497939876897261

Algebraic form:  $9.01738720450236*\exp(0.0497939876897261*t)$

RMSE: 16.815483243847

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Windows 10 x64      build 19045    DESKTOP-0UVV1HO    x86-64 Sylwia Sylwia Sylwia

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crayon 1.5.2

digest 0.6.31

GenSA1.1.8

ggplot2      3.4.2

nloptr 2.0.3

pkgconfig    2.0.3

pkgload      1.3.2

plotly 4.10.1

rappdirs      0.3.3

RColorBrewer1.1-3

Rcpp 1.0.10

rematch2 2.1.2

rgenoud 5.9-0.3

shiny 1.7.4

shinycssloaders 1.0.0

shinydashboard 0.7.2

shinyFiles 0.9.3

shinyjs 2.1.0

shinythemes 1.2.0

shinyWidgets 0.7.6

**Figure 36** Example "overall\_report" file results

Number	Equation	RMSE
1	$C[1]*t+C[2]$	7.38256196920104
7	$(1/(C[1]*t+1)/(C[2])^2)^{0.5}$	15.5302235060206
3	$C[1]*\exp(C[2]*t)$	16.815483243847
5	$C[1]/(1+C[2]*t*C[1])$	26.3846399125029

**Figure 37** Example "error\_ranking" file results

## 11. Other files

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