

1 Envy-You Version 1.0

This most recent version 1.0 of the envy-you code is based on the previous versions envy-you 0.1 and 0.2, the main changes being:

1.1 Parameters

The most important parameters that can be used to adjust the model are listed as global variables in the main script 'NVC_main.m', namely

t_start - start time of simulation (s)

t_end - end time of simulation (s)

startpulse - start of neuronal pulse (s)

lengthpulse - length of neuronal pulse (s)

CASE - set of coupling coefficients

J_PLC - EC agonist concentration ($\mu\text{M s}^{-1}$)

C_Hillmann - scaling factor for the Hai&Murphy rate constants based on ?

stretch_ch - to activate/deactivate stretch-activated channels in EC and SMC

only_Koenig - to simulate only the Koenigsberger model (other sub-models will still be considered, but the KIR channel is set to 0)

At the end of each simulation *save_all()* is called and will give the option to save all parameters and figures in a separate folder with a time stamp.

1.2 Radius and wall thickness equation

The previous equations of the radius, R , and the arterial wall thickness, h , seemed to have led to an instability of the system at very low J_{plc} values. Due to that h is now set to a fixed ratio of the radius (see 'all_fluxes.m'):

$$h = 0.1R$$

1.3 Hillmann coefficients

The reaction rate constants used by (?) are based on experiments with swine carotid arteries and there is no evidence that they can be used for human brain arteries. Within her paper (?) E. Hillman's could show that the hemodynamic response in rats takes place within a couple seconds, whereas with the (?) model we obtain maximal dilation within approximately a minute. Based on (?) we introduce a scaling coefficient '*C_Hillmann*', that allows us to scale all rate constants simultaneously.

1.4 Figures position

All figures are now automatically placed in the main screen.

1.5 Coupling coefficients

The three coupling coefficients (v_{cpl} , Ca_{cpl} , $P3_{cpl}$) are chosen the following:

Table 1: All CASE's.			
	$v_{cpl} \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$	$Ca_{cpl} \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$	$P3_{cpl} \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$
CASE 0	0	0	0
CASE 1	0.5	0	0.05
CASE 2	0.5	0.05	0.05
CASE 3	0	0	0.05
CASE 4	0.5	0.05	0
CASE 5	0.5	0	0
CASE 6	0	0.05	0
CASE 7	0	0.05	0.05

1.6 Corrected mistakes

- plotting of stretch-activated channels in EC (figure 3 - EC fluxes)
- K_7 corrected to be K_4 in the differential equation for AMP (didn't change any results because $K_4 = K_7 = 0.1 \text{ s}^{-1}$)
- v_{Ca2} changed back to -24 mV (original value from ?)

- maximal voltage coupling v_{cpl} set to 0.5 s^{-1} (any stronger coupling leads to EC clinging to SMC and a too low membrane potential in SMC for VOCC to open during neuronal pulse)

References