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# Toxicokinetic Chemical Simulator (ToCS): A Graphical User Interface for High- Throughput Chemical Analysis

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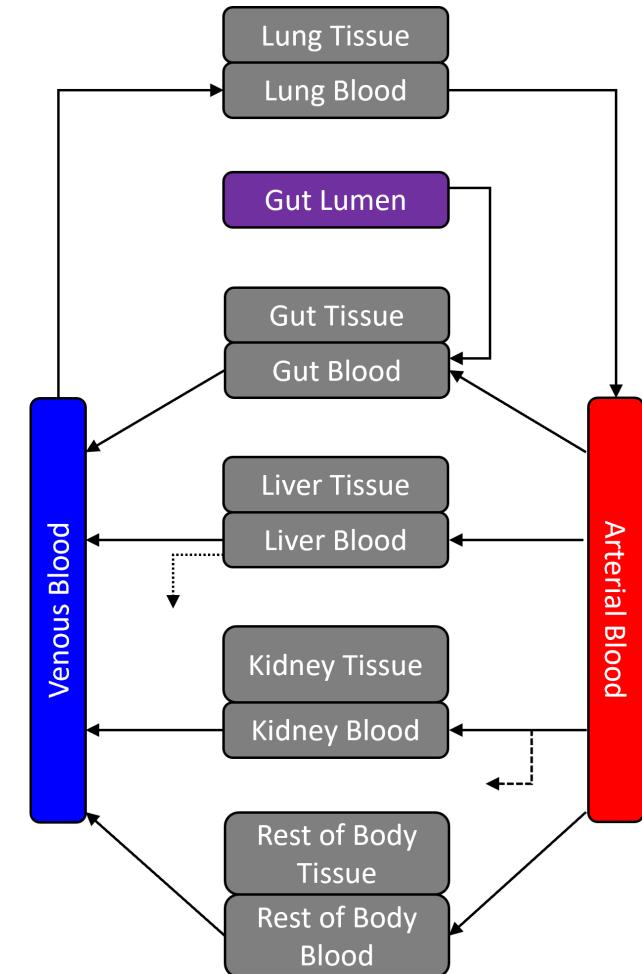
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# Session II: Concentration-Time Profiles Module

# PBTK Modeling Overview

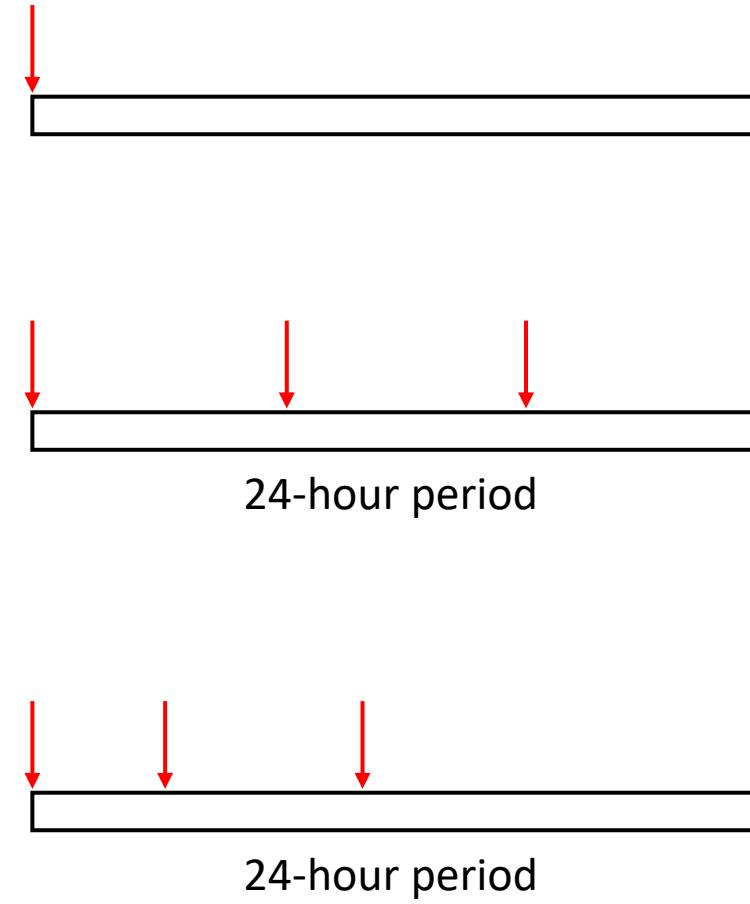
- Physiologically-based toxicokinetic (PBTK) or pharmacokinetic (PBPK) models predict how a chemical moves through the body
- Illustrates absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion (ADME) processes ('what the body does to the chemical')
- Models consist of a system of ordinary differential equations (ODEs), where each equation describes the rate of change of the chemical amount/concentration in a model compartment over time
  - Compartments typically represent specific organs or tissues (may include other anatomical elements)
  - May consist of lumped compartments



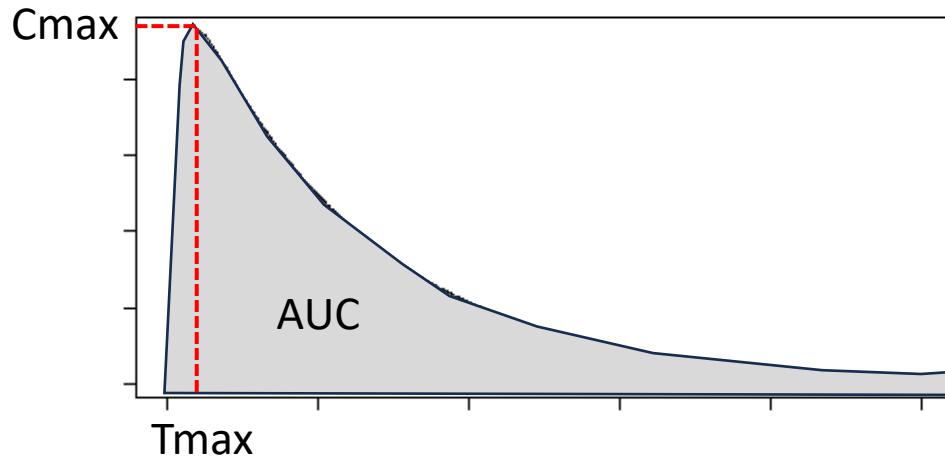
# Available Dosing Scenarios

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- Single Dose
  - One dose that does not repeat
  - Example: 1 dose at 8:00am
- Multiple Doses
  - Evenly distributed daily doses (ideal for pharmaceuticals)
    - Dose amounts and times must be the same daily during every administration
    - Example: 1 dose every 8 hours
  - Unevenly distributed doses (ideal for food)
    - Dose amounts may be different during every administration
    - Dose times do not need to be evenly spread across 24 hours
    - Doses do not need to occur every day
    - Example: 1 dose at 8:00am, 12:00pm, and 6:00pm daily



# Concentration-Time Profile Module Outputs



- Plots and tables of the concentrations or amounts of a chemical over time in each model compartment
- Summary statistics of the concentration-time profile curves within each model compartment
  - Cmax – maximal concentration or amount
  - Tmax – time to Cmax
  - AUC – area under the curve of each compartment

# Concentration-Time Profile Module Inputs



## Required:

- Species and species preferences (if applicable)
- Model selection
- Number of simulation days
- In silico parameter preference
- Dosing method, units, frequency, and amount
- Chemicals to simulate

## Optional:

- Initial compartment values
- Bioavailability settings
- Model solver settings
- Model calculation preferences involving the hepatic clearance, fraction unbound in plasma, ratio of chemical concentration in blood to plasma, and partition coefficients

# Example 1 Scenario

- Goal:

- Obtain the concentration-time profiles of five indirect food additives during all three trimesters of human pregnancy

Chemical Name	CASRN
Cyclohexylamine	108-91-8
Triethanolamine	102-71-6
4,4'-sulfonyldiphenol (Bisphenol S)	80-09-1
Ethanolamine	141-43-5
Dodecylguanidine acetate (Diodine)	2439-10-3

- Use the available in silico parameters
- Orally consumes 0.5 mg/kg BW of each chemical twice a day (every 12 hours), every day for the entire pregnancy

# Example 1: General Parameters Tab

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Toxicokinetic Chemical Simulator (ToCS)    General Parameters    Model Specifications    Compound Selection    Advanced (Optional) Parameters    Run Simulation

**INSTRUCTIONS**

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**OUTPUT**

Select the desired output.

Concentration-time profiles ▾

**SPECIES**

Select the species to analyze.

Human ▾

# Example 1: Model Specifications Tab

Toxicokinetic Chemical Simulator (ToCS) General Parameters **Model Specifications** Compound Selection Advanced (Optional) Parameters Run Simulation

**MODEL**

Select a model to simulate.

full\_pregnancy

Select whether to use in silico generated parameters for compounds with missing in vitro data. These parameters will not overwrite existing in vitro data, and it will expand the number of compounds available.

Yes, load in silico parameters

**DOSING**

Select the administration method of the compound(s).

oral

Select the units of the administered dose(s).

mg/kg

Select the dosing frequency.

Multiple Doses

Are equal doses given evenly across a 24 hour period (i.e. 1 mg/kg BW every 8 hours)?

Yes

Enter the amount administered during every dose (in the specified units).

0.5

Select how often the above dose is administered (every \_\_\_\_ hours).

0 2.5 4 5 7.5 10 12.5 15 17.5 20 22.5 24

# Example 1: Compound Selection Tab

Toxicokinetic Chemical Simulator (ToCS) General Parameters Model Specifications **Compound Selection** Advanced (Optional) Parameters Run Simulation

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Click on the appropriate link(s) below to download guidance on how to upload data under the 'Uploaded Data' card. Follow the 'Instructions' document in the downloaded folder to correctly format the file you want to upload.

[Uploaded Physical-Chemical Data File Folder](#)

**PRELOADED COMPOUNDS**

Select the types of compounds you want to simulate.

Choose from all available chemicals ▾

Select any preloaded compounds. Search through the list by clicking on the box and scrolling or typing in a name. The list may not show all available compounds. Click on a compound to select it. You may select multiple.

108-91-8, Cyclohexylamine 102-71-6, Triethanolamine  
141-43-5, Ethanolamine 80-09-1, 4,4'-sulfonyldiphenol  
2439-10-3, Dtxsid3020548

**UPLOADED DATA**

Upload a CSV file of physical and chemical data for compounds not in the preloaded list (if desired). Download the 'Uploaded Physical-Chemical Data File Folder' under the 'Instructions' card for file formatting instructions.

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# Example 1: Advanced Parameters Tab

Toxicokinetic Chemical Simulator (ToCS) General Parameters Model Specifications Compound Selection **Advanced (Optional) Parameters** Run Simulation

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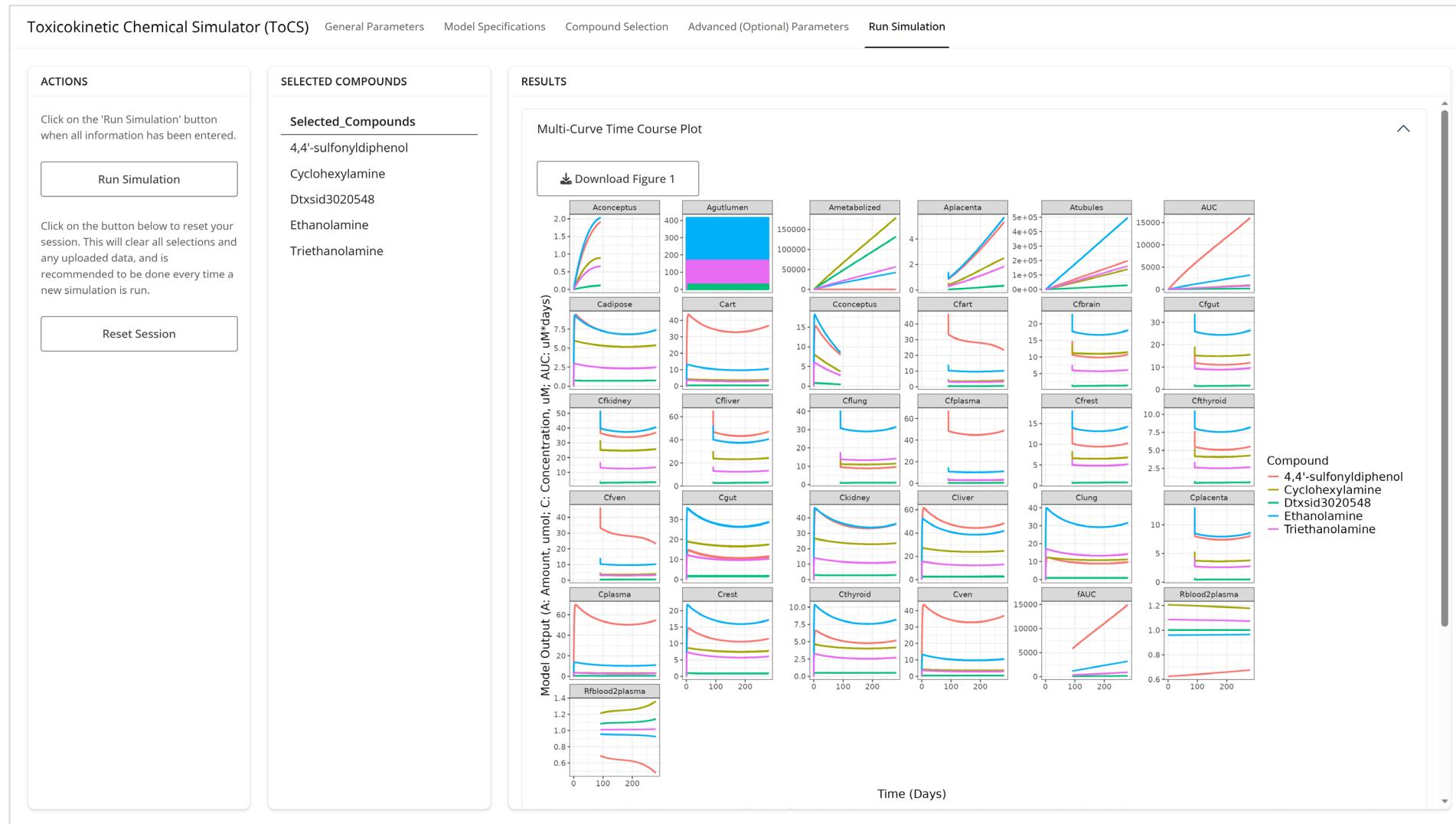
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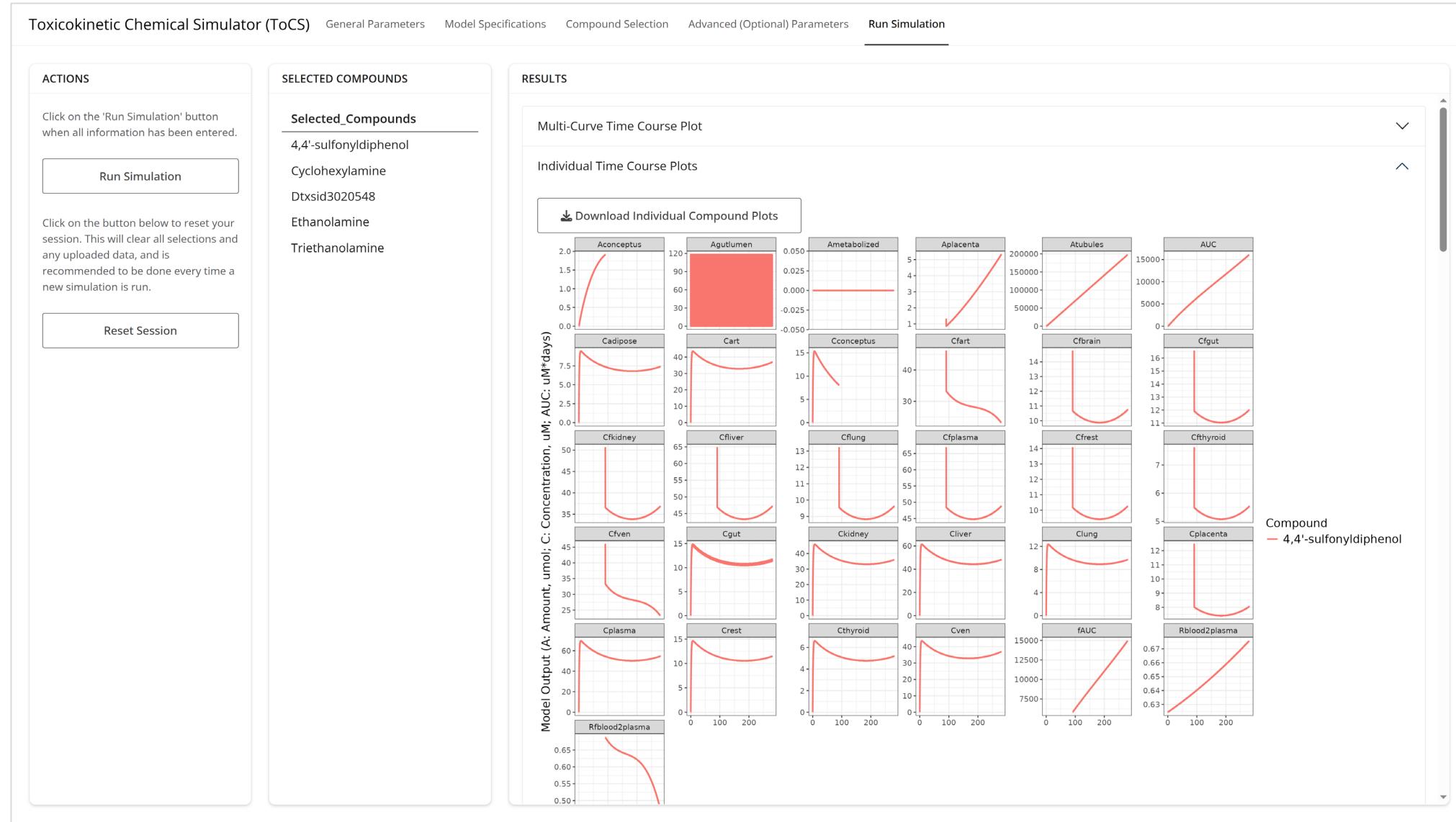
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# Example 1: Run Simulation Results Curves



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# Example 1: Run Simulation Tab TK Summary Table

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**RESULTS**

Multi-Curve Time Course Plot

Individual Time Course Plots

Time Course Data

[Download ADME Time Course Data](#) [Download ADME Simulation Parameters](#)

TK Summary Data

[Download Table 1](#)

Show 10 entries Search: \_\_\_\_\_

	Tmax.4,4'-sulfonyldiphenol	MaxValue.4,4'-sulfonyldiphenol	AUC.4,4'-sulfonyldiphenol	Tmax.Cyclohexylamine	MaxValue.Cyclohexylamine	AUC.Cycl
Agutlumen	0.1668	118	16530	0.8334	245.1	
Cgut	6.667	14.86	3225	3.333	19.1	
Cliver	6.833	61.46	13460	3.167	27.19	
Ckidney	7	45.94	10060	3.333	26.51	
Clung	6.5	12.37	2710	3.333	12.44	
Cven	7	43.57	9876	3.333	4.171	
Cart	6.833	43.57	9877	3.333	4.174	
Cadipose	7	9.424	2065	3.333	5.968	
Cthyroid	6.833	6.62	1450	3.333	4.624	
Crest	7	14.66	3209	3.5	8.654	

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## Example 2 Scenario

- Obtain the human concentration-time profiles of three food color additives using the pbtk model over 30 days

Chemical Name	CASRN
FD&C Yellow 6	2783-94-0
FD&C Green 1	2353-45-9
C.I. Acid Red 18	2611-82-7

- Do not use the available in silico parameters
- Orally consume 1 mg/kg BW of each chemical at the start of every other day
- Use the default caco-2 apical-to-basal membrane permeability value

# Example 2: General Parameters Tab

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**OUTPUT**

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Concentration-time profiles

**SPECIES**

Select the species to analyze.

Human

## Example 2: Model Specifications Tab



# Example 2: Compound Selection

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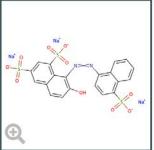
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# Example 2: Uploading Data for Ponceau 4R

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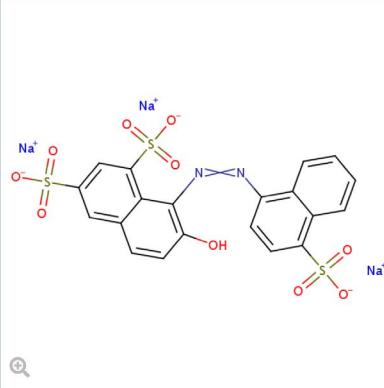


**C.I. Acid Red 18, trisodium salt**  
**2611-82-7 | DTXSID9021213**  
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**Chemical Details**

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**Chemical Details**



**Wikipedia**

Ponceau 4R (known by more than 100 synonyms, including as C.I. 16255, cochineal red A, C.I. acid red 18, brilliant scarlet 3R, brilliant scarlet 4R, new coccine,) is a synthetic colourant that may be used as a food colouring. It is denoted by E Number E124. Its chemical name is 1-(4-sulfo-1-naphthylazo)-2-naphthol-6,8-disulfonic acid, trisodium salt. Ponceau (17th century French for "poppy-coloured") is the generic name for a family

[Read more](#)

**Quality Control Notes**

**Intrinsic Properties**

Molecular Formula:  $C_{20}H_{11}N_2Na_3O_{10}S_3$

Average Mass: 604.46 g/mol

Monoisotopic Mass: 603.926891 g/mol

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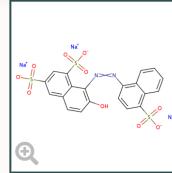
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**Properties: Summary**

**EXPORT**

**Summary**

Property ↓↑	≡ Experimental average	↓↑ ≡ Predicted average	↓↑ ≡ Experimental median	↓↑ ≡ Predicted median	↓↑ ≡ Experimental range	↓↑ ≡ Predicted range ↓↑ ≡	Unit ↓↑
Henry's Law	-	2.09e-11 (1)	-	2.09e-11	-	2.09e-11	atm·m <sup>3</sup> /mole
Boiling Point	-	326 (1)	-	326	-	326	°C
Melting Point	-	227 (1)	-	227	-	227	°C
LogD5.5	-	1.98 (1)	-	1.98	-	1.98	Log10 unitless
LogD7.4	-	0.780 (1)	-	0.780	-	0.780	Log10 unitless
Vapor Pressure	-	2.95e-10 (1)	-	2.95e-10	-	2.95e-10	mmHg
Water Solubility	0.132 (1)	0.132 (1)	0.132	0.132	0.132	0.132	mol/L
LogK <sub>oa</sub> : Octanol-Air	-	9.48 (1)	-	9.48	-	9.48	Log10 unitless
LogK <sub>ow</sub> : Octanol-Water	-	2.07 (1)	-	2.07	-	2.07	Log10 unitless
pKa Acidic Apparent	-	6.13 (1)	-	6.13	-	6.13	Log10 unitless

# Example 2: Advanced Parameters Tab

Toxicokinetic Chemical Simulator (ToCS) General Parameters Model Specifications Compound Selection Advanced (Optional) Parameters Run Simulation

**MODEL CONDITIONS**

Would you like to change the initial compound amount in each compartment from its default value of 0 (no compound in the compartment when the simulation begins)?

No, keep the default amounts (default)

Select whether to recalculate the chemical concentration blood to plasma ratio from its in vitro or estimated value using the hematocrit, fraction unbound in presence of plasma proteins, and red blood cell partition coefficient.

Do not recalculate (default)

Select whether protein binding is taken into account in liver clearance.

Yes, include protein binding (default)

Select whether to adjust the chemical fraction unbound in presence of plasma proteins for lipid binding.

Yes, adjust the fraction of unbound plasma (default)

Select whether to use regressions when calculating partition coefficients.

Use regressions (default)

Enter the p-value threshold for the in vitro intrinsic hepatic clearance rate where clearance assay results with p-values above this threshold are set to zero.

0.05

Enter the minimum acceptable chemical fraction unbound in presence of plasma proteins. All values

**MODEL SOLVER**

Select the ODE solver method. See R documentation on the 'deSolve' function for method details.

lsoda

Enter the number of time steps per hour for the solver to take.

4

Select the exponent (power of 10) of the relative tolerance for the ODE solver.

Select the exponent (power of 10) of the desired absolute tolerance for the ODE solver.

**BIOAVAILABILITY**

Enter a default value for the Caco-2 apical-to-basal membrane permeability (denoted Caco2.Pab, 10^-6 cm/s).

1.5

Select whether to use the Caco2.Pab value set above to estimate F\_abs (the in vivo measured fraction of an oral dose absorbed from the gut lumen into the gut) if bioavailability data is unavailable.

Use the Caco2.Pab value selected above (default)

Select whether to use the Caco2.Pab value set above to calculate F\_gut (the in vivo measured fraction of an oral dose that passes gut metabolism and clearance) if bioavailability data is unavailable.

Use the Caco2.Pab value selected above (default)

Select whether to overwrite in vivo F\_abs and F\_gut data (if available).

Do not overwrite in vivo values (default)

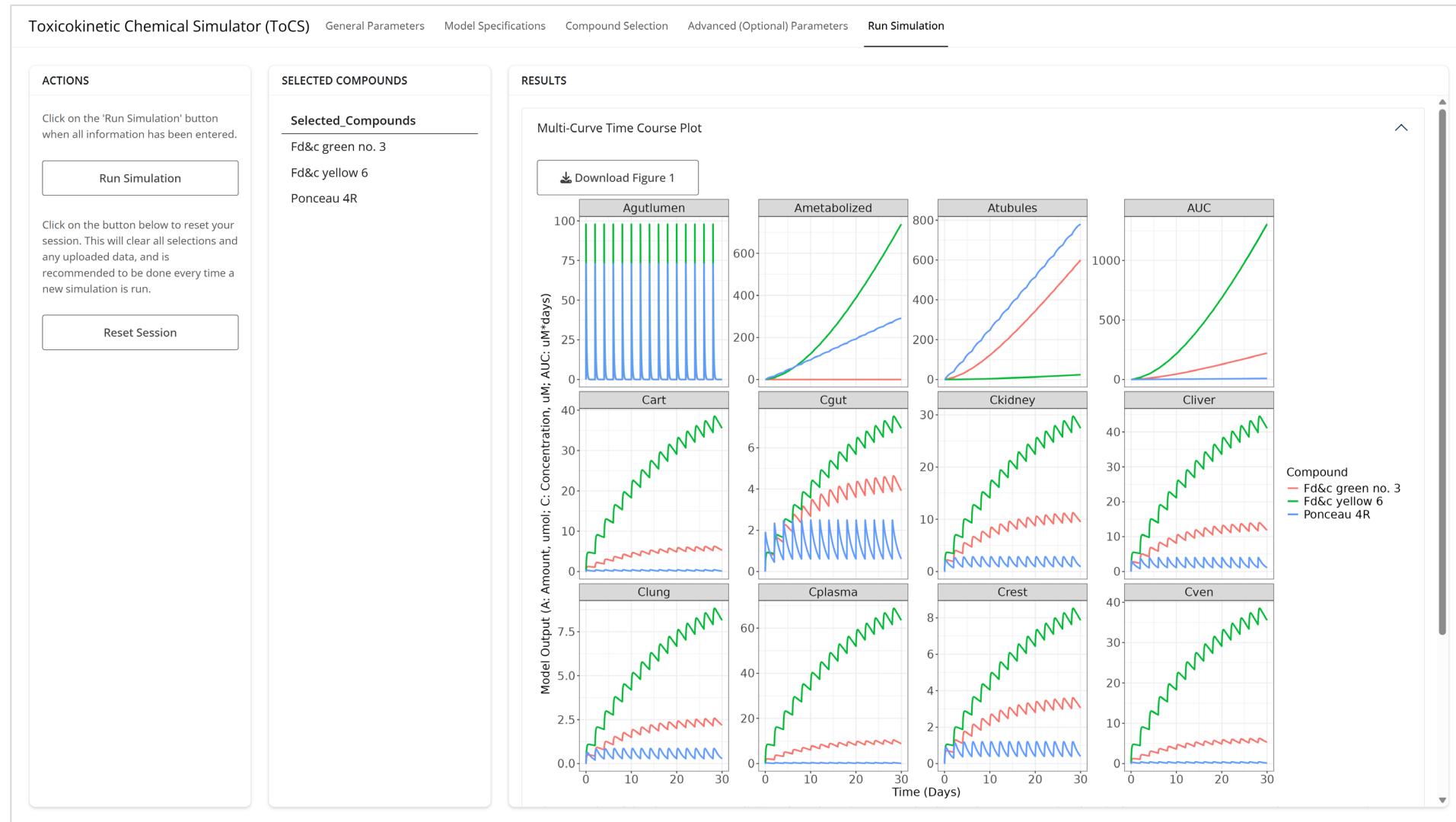
Select whether to keep F\_abs and F\_gut at 100% availability (which overwrites all other bioavailability parameter settings above).

Do not keep Fabs and Fgut at 100% availability (default)

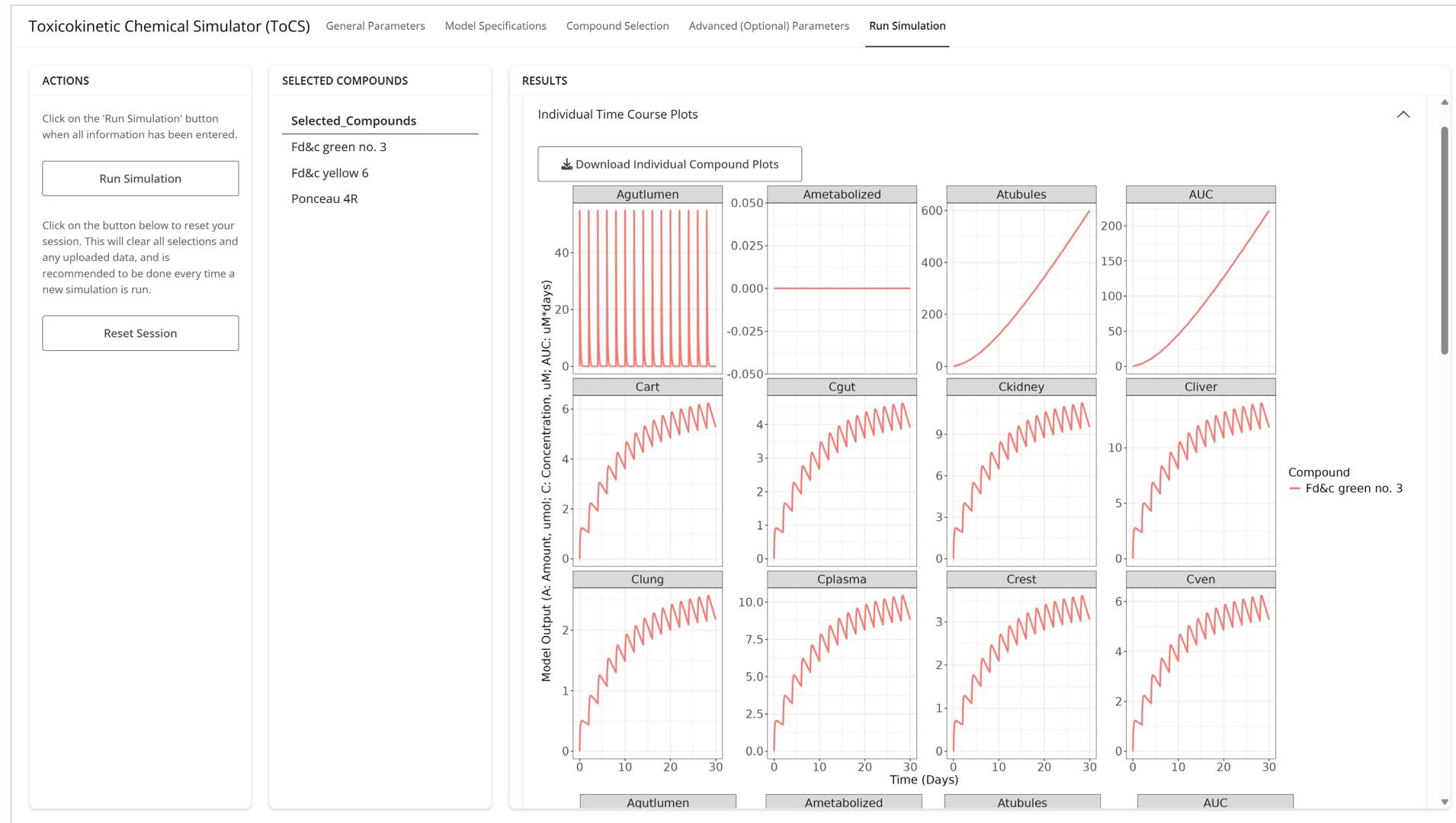
**OUTPUT SPECIFICATION**

Enter the times (in days) to output concentrations. Leave blank if no specific times are needed. Enter a comma-separated list, such as 0, 1, 2, ... signifying output 0, 1, and 2 days after dosing begins.

# Example 2: Run Simulation Tab



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# Try It On Your Own!

FDA

Try your own simulation in the Concentration-Time Profiles module

OR

Obtain the rat concentration-time profiles of three chemicals of your choosing across 8 days and use the following inputs:

- Use rat parameter data only
- Use the 3-compartment model
- Give a 2 mg/kg dose of each chemical at the start of day 0, 2, 4, and 6
- Do not allow the use of in silico parameters
- Use 100% bioavailability
- Begin with 1 umol of each chemical in the gut

# Questions?

# 10-Minute Break