

Building and evaluation of a PBPK model for Rifampicin in healthy adults

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1 Introduction

Rifampicin is an antibiotic used for the treatment of mycobacterium infections, including tuberculosis and leprosy. For the investigation of drug-drug interactions (DDIs), rifampicin is an established potent inducer of multiple drug metabolizing enzymes (CYP3A4, CYP2B6, CYP2C8, CYP2C9, CYP2C19) and transporters (P-gp, MRP2, MRP3, MRP4, OATP1A2). In addition to its inducing capabilities, rifampicin also competitively inhibits enzymes and transporters like CYP3A4, P-gp, OATP1B1 and OATP1B3.

The herein presented model represents the rifampicin model originally published by Hanke *et al.* ([Hanke 2018](#)), and extended in later publications ([Britz 2019](#), [Türk 2019](#), [Hanke 2021](#)). The model was originally established using various clinical studies, covering a dosing range of 300 to 600 mg after intravenous and oral administration of rifampicin. The original model focused specifically on the integration of effects on **CYP3A4** and **P-gp** by rifampicin. Britz *et al.* ([Britz 2019](#)) integrated rifampicin-mediated induction of **CYP1A2** (and CYP2E1), Türk *et al.* ([Türk 2019](#)) extended the model with regard to effects on **CYP2C8** and **OATP1B1**. Later, Hanke [2021](#) updated **P-gp**, **OATP1B1** and **OATP1B3** interaction and added **CYP2C9**, **BCRP** and **OATP2B1** interaction.

It is known that for both CYP3A4 and P-gp, rifampicin shows inductive and inhibitory effects. While induction by rifampicin involves gene expression and therefore takes several days to fully develop, competitive inhibition has an instantaneous effect and is strongest at the time of highest exposure to the inhibitor. As a consequence, the effects of rifampicin caused via competitive inhibition are most prominent 1-2 h after its oral administration and of relatively short duration. These opposing effects of rifampicin can be reasonably considered in PBPK models.

Integrating and testing processes that were described as vital to the pharmacokinetics of rifampicin itself resulted in a final model that applies transport by OATP1B1, metabolism by arylacetamide deacetylase (AADAC), transport by P-gp and glomerular filtration. Furthermore, auto-induction of OATP1B1, AADAC and P-gp expression has been incorporated.

2 Methods

2.1 Modeling Strategy

The general concept of building a PBPK model has previously been described by Kuepfer et al. ([Kuepfer 2016](#)). Relevant information on anthropometric (height, weight) and physiological parameters (e.g. blood flows, organ volumes, binding protein concentrations, hematocrit, cardiac output) in adults was gathered from the literature and has been previously published ([Willmann 2007](#)). The information was incorporated into PK-Sim® and was used as default values for the simulations in adults.

The applied activity and variability of plasma proteins and active processes that are integrated into PK-Sim® are described in the publicly available PK-Sim® Ontogeny Database Version 7.3 ([PK-Sim Ontogeny Database Version 7.3](#)) or otherwise referenced for the specific process.

The model was built combining bottom-up and top-down techniques. An extensive literature search yielded (1) physicochemical parameter values (2) information on active ADME and DDI-related (i.e. induction and inhibition) processes and (3) clinical studies of intravenous and oral administration in single and multiple dosing regimens, covering a broad dosing range with observed concentrations.

A mean PBPK model was developed using a typical European individual. Enterohepatic recycling for transport processes into the bile was enabled in a continuous fashion (continuous flow from the liver to the lumen of duodenum). One study was performed in female patients after cholecystectomy ([Acocella 1972a](#)). The bile of these patients was collected via a T tube. In the simulations of these patients, enterohepatic recycling was switched off and a virtual gallbladder collected the excreted rifampicin over time. Relevant ADME processes reported to influence the PK of rifampicin were implemented into the model and tested. For parameters that could not be (reliably) informed from literature, parameter identification was performed using a representative set of available clinical studies (see below). Model evaluation was based on the ability of the model to describe observed plasma concentration-time profiles and fraction excreted of unchanged drug to urine and bile.

Details about input data (physicochemical, *in vitro* and clinical) can be found in [Section 2.2](#).

Details about the structural model and its parameters can be found in [Section 2.3](#).

2.2 Data

2.2.1 In vitro and physicochemical data

A literature search was performed to collect available information on physicochemical properties of rifampicin. The obtained information from literature is summarized in the table below, and is used for model building.

Parameter	Unit	Value	Source	Description
MW	g/mol	822.940	DrugBank DB01045	Molecular weight
pK _{a,base}		7.9	The Merck Index	Basic dissociation constant
pK _{a,acid}		1.7	The Merck Index	Acid dissociation constant
Solubility (pH)	mg/L	1100 (6.5)	Baneyx 2014	Solubility
		1400 (6.8)	Panchagnula 2006	Solubility
		990 (4)	Agrawal 2005	Solubility
		1650 (6)	Agrawal 2005	Solubility
		2540 (6.8)	Agrawal 2005	Solubility
		3350 (7.4)	Agrawal 2005	Solubility
		2800 (7.5)	Boman 1974	Aqueous solubility
logP		1.3	Baneyx 2014	Partition coefficient between octanol and water @ pH 7.4
		2.7	DrugBank DB01045	Partition coefficient between octanol and water
fu	%	11.1	Boman 1974	Fraction unbound in plasma
	%	16.0	Baneyx 2014	Fraction unbound in plasma in tuberculosis patients
	%	17	Templeton 2011	Fraction unbound in plasma
	%	17.5	Shou 2008	Fraction unbound in plasma
B/P ratio		0.9	Loos 1985	Blood to plasma concentration ratio
V _{max} , K _m OATP1B1	pmol/min/mg, μmol/L	9.3 1.5	Tirona 2003	OATP1B1 uptake in transfected HeLa cells
V _{max} , K _m P-gp	nmol/h/cm ² , μmol/L	4.3 55	Collett 2004	P-gp net secretion across Caco-2 monolayers
V _{max} , K _m AADAC	pmol/min/mg, μmol/L	162.6 195.1	Nakajima 2011	Kinetic parameters of the deacetylase activity in HLM

Parameter	Unit	Value	Source	Description
E _{max} , EC ₅₀ CYP3A4	dimensionless µmol/L	9 0.34	Templeton 2011	CYP3A4 induction parameters in primary human hepatocytes, EC ₅₀ corrected for fraction unbound in human hepatocytes of 0.419 as reported by Shou 2008
K _i CYP3A4	µmol/L	18.5	Kajosaari 2005	CYP3A4 inhibition constant
E _{max} P-gp	dimensionless	2.5	Greiner 1999	P-gp induction parameter based on an increased intestinal P-gp content in duodenal biopsies of 3.5 after rifampicin treatment
K _i P-gp	µmol/L	9.1 (169.0)	Hanke 2021 (Reitman 2011)	P-gp inhibition constant
K _i BCRP	µmol/L	14	Hanke 2021, Pruksaritanont 2014	BCRP inhibition constant
K _i OATP1B1	µmol/L	0.29 (0.477)	Hanke 2021 (Hirano 2006)	OATP1B1 inhibition constant (based on OATP1B1-mediated pitavastatin uptake)
K _i OATP1B3	µmol/L	0.5 (0.9)	Hanke 2021 (Annaert 2010)	OATP1B3 inhibition constant
K _i OATP2B1	µmol/L	78.2	Hanke 2021, Zhang 2019	OATP2B1 inhibition constant
E _{max} CYP2C8	dimensionless	3.2	Buckley 2014	CYP2C8 E _{max} in primary human hepatocytes (based on activity)
K _i CYP2C8	µmol/L	30.2	Kajosaari 2005	CYP2C8 inhibition constant
K _i CYP2C9	µmol/L	150	Hanke 2021, Yoshida 2012	CYP2C9 inhibition constant
E _{max} CYP1A2	dimensionless	0.65	Chen 2010	CYP1A2 E _{max} in cultured human hepatocytes (based on activity)
E _{max} CYP2E1	dimensionless	0.8	Rae 2001	CYP2E1 fold induction of 1.8 calculated as the normalized ratio of expression in rifampin-treated versus vehicle control-treated cells

AADAC arylacetamide deacetylase

2.2.2 Clinical data

A literature search was performed to collect available clinical data (plasma concentrations, fraction excreted into urine, fraction excreted into bile) on rifampicin in adults. The rifampicin model was built and verified using various clinical studies, covering a dosing range of 300 to 600 mg, administered intravenously or orally.

The following dosing scenarios were simulated and compared to respective data:

Route	Dose [mg]	Dosing	PK Data	Used for Optimization	Reference
iv	300	SD, 30 min infusion	Plasma	x	Sanofi-Aventis U.S. LLC. 2013
		SD, 3 h infusion	Plasma, excretion into urine	x	Nitti 1977
	450	SD, 3 h infusion	Plasma, excretion into urine	x	Nitti 1977
	600	SD, 30 min infusion	Plasma	x	Sanofi-Aventis U.S. LLC. 2013
		SD, 3 h infusion	Plasma, excretion into urine	x	Nitti 1977
		SD, 3 h infusion	Plasma, excretion into urine	x	Acocella 1977
		OD (7 days), 3 h infusion	Plasma	x	Acocella 1977
po	300	SD	Plasma	x	Chouchane 1995
		SD	Plasma		Furesz 1970
	450	SD	Plasma	x	Blume 1989
			Plasma		Furesz 1970
		MD	Plasma, excretion into urine and bile	x	Acocella 1972a
	600	SD	Plasma	x	Peloquin 1997
			Plasma		Blume 1989
			Plasma		Acocella 1972b
			Plasma		Furesz 1970
			Plasma, excretion into urine	x	Eon Labs Manufacturing, Inc. 1997
	OD (7 days)	Plasma		x	Baneyx 2014

2.3 Model Parameters and Assumptions

2.3.1 Absorption

Herein, the model parameter `Specific intestinal permeability` was optimized to best match clinical data (see [Section 2.3.5](#)). The results of the optimization can be found in [Section 2.3.5](#).

Measured aqueous solubility ([Boman 1974](#), see [Section 2.2.1](#)) was set as default solubility.

As observed data do not show substantial differences between different formulations for oral rifampicin administration, all oral administrations were modelled as an oral solution.

2.3.2 Distribution

Recent measurements of fraction unbound in plasma yielded values of approximately 17% ([Templeton 2011](#), [Shou 2008](#), see [Section 2.2.1](#)). This value was implemented in this model.

Lipophilicity was optimized within the range of measured values to find a best match of simulated to observed rifampicin PK profile data.

After testing the available organ-plasma partition coefficient and cell permeability calculation methods built in PK-Sim®, observed clinical data was best described by choosing the partition coefficient calculation by [Rodgers and Rowland](#) and cellular permeability calculation by [PK-Sim Standard](#) for rifampicin. The PK-Sim® calculated [Blood/plasma concentration ratio](#) is well in line with the observed value of 0.9 ([Loos 1985](#)).

2.3.3 Metabolism and Elimination

Integrating and testing active processes that were considered vital to the PK of rifampicin after literature review resulted in a final model that applies transport by OATP1B1 ([Tirona 2003](#)), metabolism by arylacetamide deacetylase (AADAC) ([Nakajima 2011](#)), transport by P-gp ([Collett 2004](#)) and glomerular filtration. No study clearly demonstrated that rifampicin is substrate of CYP3A4; hence, in this PBPK model rifampicin only acts as a perpetrator on CYP3A4 without being metabolized by it.

The implemented expression profile of AADAC, P-gp and OATP1B1 were based on high-sensitive real-time RT-PCR ([Nishimura 2003](#)) of the PK-Sim® expression database. The relative expression in the mucosa of the gut wall was modified based on an optimized value as reported by Hanke *et al.* ([Hanke 2018](#)). Herein, this value was increased by a factor of 3.57 based on digoxin PK data in combination with PBPK modeling.

It was assumed that the mRNA concentration is proportional to the respective protein concentration. Thus, the expression of a protein in a specific organ relates to the expression in the organ with the highest expression which is termed reference concentration of the protein ([Meyer 2012](#)). OATP1B1 was configured as influx transporter and P-gp as efflux transporter. Reference concentrations of the implemented active processes (enzymes and transporters) are summarized below:

Protein	Reference concentration [$\mu\text{mol/L}$]	Reference Organ
AADAC	1.0 (assumed)	Liver
P-gp	1.41 (Hanke 2018)	Mucosa Small Intestine
OATP1B1	1.0 (assumed)	Liver

The kinetic parameters describing the rifampicin metabolism by AADAC and transport by P-gp and OATP1B1 were imputed in the model as follows: while Michaelis-Menten constants (K_m values) of AADAC-catalyzed metabolism and the two transport processes were taken from reported in vitro experiments, enzymatic and transport turnover values (k_{cat}) were optimized based on *in vivo* PK data (see [Section 2.3.5](#)).

Multiple dose studies that measured PK profiles of rifampicin at different days of a 600 mg po once daily regimen indicate that rifampicin exposure decreases over time due to auto-induction processes ([Baneyx 2014](#), [Smythe 2012](#)). *In-vitro* studies in human hepatocytes suggest that rifampicin induces P-gp ([Collett 2004](#), [Dixit 2007](#), [Williamson 2013](#)) and OATP1B1 ([Dixit 2007](#), [Williamson 2013](#)). It has further been shown in DDI studies with prototypical substrates of these transporters (pravastatin and digoxin, respectively) that the induction of these transporters can also be observed *in vivo* ([Kyrklund 2000](#), [Greiner 1999](#)). As in the case of CYP3A4 induction, both induction processes are mediated via pregnane X receptor (PXR) ([Geick 2001](#)). Furthermore, it has been demonstrated that B-esterases are inducible by rifampicin via

PXR ([Smythe 2012](#), [Staudinger 2010](#)) and that AADAC, the enzyme catalyzing the main metabolic pathway of rifampicin, is regulated by PXR ([Zhang 2012](#)). Therefore, (auto-)induction of P-gp, OATP1B1 and AADAC expression was assumed and implemented in the rifampicin model. Modelling induction of an endogenously expressed protein requires three parameters, in particular **EC₅₀** (concentration at which induction is half maximum), **E_{max}** (maximum induction effect on endogenous synthesis rate) and the endogenous **protein turnover (half-life)**. Little is known about these values *in vivo* for AADAC, P-gp and OATP1B1 induction.

(Auto-) Induction Processes: AADAC, P-gp and OATP1B1

EC₅₀

As all induction processes are mediated by PXR, the same unbound EC₅₀ of 0.34 µmol/L (originally measured in primary human hepatocytes for CYP3A4 induction after correcting for the fraction unbound ([Baneyx 2014](#), [Shou 2008](#), [Templeton 2011](#))) was applied for all induction processes. This assumption is supported by the fact that Moore *et al.* ([Moore 2000](#) found a general EC₅₀ value for PXR-mediated rifampicin induction of 0.71 µmol/L (resulting in an unbound EC₅₀ of 0.30 µmol/L after correcting for the fraction unbound reported by [Shou 2008](#)).

E_{max}

E_{max} values for AADAC and OATP1B1 are unknown and fitted based on observed clinical PK data of rifampicin (see [Section 2.3.5](#)).

A study by Greiner *et al.* ([Greiner 1999](#)) found 3.5-fold elevated P-gp levels in human duodenal biopsies after multiple doses of rifampicin. This value was assumed to represent an *in vivo* maximum effect corresponding to an E_{max} value of 2.5. This E_{max} was included in the model for P-gp induction (see also [Section 2.2.1](#)).

Protein turnover (half-lives)

Endogenous half-lives of these proteins are not known. Therefore, the same values applicable for CYP3A4 turnover (as implemented in PK-Sim ([PK-Sim Ontogeny Database Version 7.3](#)) were assumed, i.e. 36 hours in the liver ([Obach 2007](#)) and 23 hours in the intestine ([Greenblatt 2003](#)).

2.3.4 DDI Parameters

The following sub-section describe the model input for DDI-related parameters, i.e. induction and inhibition of certain enzymes and transporters, for which rifampicin may act as a perpetrator. Verification of these model parameters and linked processes is not evaluated in this report. Applications are assessed in specific use cases and reported elsewhere.

CYP3A4 induction and inhibition

Induction of CYP3A4 was incorporated using the weighted mean **EC₅₀** of 0.8 µmol/L and **E_{max}** estimate of 9 based on CYP3A4 activity induction in primary human hepatocytes ([Templeton 2011](#), see also [Section 2.2.1](#)). Similar values for EC₅₀ (0.77, 0.80 µmol/L) and E_{max} (7, 9, 10) have been reported by other groups ([Kolars 1992](#), [Mills 2004](#), [Sahi 2000](#)). The *in vitro* value of EC₅₀ of 0.8 µmol/L was corrected by the unbound fraction of rifampicin in hepatocytes of 0.419 to obtain an **unbound EC₅₀** value of 0.34 µmol/L ([Baneyx 2014](#), [Shou 2008](#), [Templeton 2011](#)) which was used in the PBPK model.

Competitive inhibition of CYP3A4 by rifampicin was included using a dissociation (inhibition) constant (**K_i**) of 18.5 µmol/L determined in human liver microsomes via inhibition of midazolam 1-hydroxylation ([Kajosaari 2005](#)). No correction of this *in vitro* value was applied to account for potential binding in the assay, as only 0.1 mg/mL human liver microsomal protein was used and a negligible unbound fraction of 0.90 – 0.98 was predicted ([Austin 2002](#)).

Time to reach newly induced CYP3A4 levels and time for de-induction depends on the half-lives of the perpetrator drug but also of the endogenous natural turnover of the induced protein. CYP3A4 turnover featured zero-order synthesis rate

and first-order degradation rate. A distinct degradation rate constant (k_{deg}) was considered for the intestinal mucosa which rather reflects enterocytic turnover than protein turnover, while in all other CYP3A4 expressing organs CYP3A4 turnover was assumed to follow that of the liver. **CYP3A4 half-life** (= $\ln(2)/k_{deg}$) of 23 and 36 h in intestine and liver, respectively, were incorporated ([Obach 2007](#), [Greenblatt 2003](#), [PK-Sim Ontogeny Database Version 7.3](#)).

CYP2C8 induction and inhibition

For PXR-mediated induction, the same unbound EC₅₀ of 0.34 µmol/L (originally measured in primary human hepatocytes for CYP3A4 induction after correcting for the fraction unbound ([Baneyx 2014](#), [Shou 2008](#), [Templeton 2011](#))) was applied (see above).

An E_{max} value reported by Buckley *et al.* ([Buckley 2014](#)) served as model input (see [Section 2.2.1](#)).

CYP2C8 half-life of 23 h in the liver ([Renwick 2000](#), [PK-Sim Ontogeny Database Version 7.3](#)) and of 23 h in the intestine (assuming that the turnover here rather reflects enterocytic turnover than protein turnover) ([Greenblatt 2003](#), [PK-Sim Ontogeny Database Version 7.3](#)) were incorporated.

An *in vitro* determined K_i value for rifampicin ([Kajosaari 2005](#)) served directly as model input.

CYP2C9 inhibition

Competitive inhibition of CYP2C9 by rifampicin was included using a dissociation (inhibition) constant (K_i) of 150 µmol/L ([Yoshida 2012](#), [Hanke 2021](#)).

CYP1A2 induction

For PXR-mediated induction, the same unbound EC₅₀ of 0.34 µmol/L (originally measured in primary human hepatocytes for CYP3A4 induction after correcting for the fraction unbound ([Baneyx 2014](#), [Shou 2008](#), [Templeton 2011](#))) was applied (see above).

An E_{max} value reported by Chen *et al.* ([Chen 2010](#)) served as model input (see [Section 2.2.1](#)).

CYP1A2 half-life of 39 h in the liver ([Obach 2007](#), [PK-Sim Ontogeny Database Version 7.3](#)) and of 23 h in the intestine (assuming that the turnover here rather reflects enterocytic turnover than protein turnover) ([Greenblatt 2003](#), [PK-Sim Ontogeny Database Version 7.3](#)) were incorporated.

CYP2E1 induction

For PXR-mediated induction, the same unbound EC₅₀ of 0.34 µmol/L (originally measured in primary human hepatocytes for CYP3A4 induction after correcting for the fraction unbound ([Baneyx 2014](#), [Shou 2008](#), [Templeton 2011](#))) was applied (see above).

An E_{max} value reported by Rae *et al.* ([Rae 2001](#)) served as model input (see [Section 2.2.1](#)).

CYP2E1 half-life of 50 h in the liver ([Emery 1999](#), [PK-Sim Ontogeny Database Version 7.3](#)) and of 23 h in the intestine (assuming that the turnover here rather reflects enterocytic turnover than protein turnover) ([Greenblatt 2003](#), [PK-Sim Ontogeny Database Version 7.3](#)) were incorporated.

P-gp induction and inhibition

P-gp induction is described above.

An *in vitro* determined K_i value for rifampicin ([Reitman 2011](#)) was updated by [Hanke 2021](#) and served as model input (see [Section 2.2.1](#)).

BCRP inhibition

Competitive inhibition of CYP2C9 by rifampicin was included using a dissociation (inhibition) constant (K_i) of 14 $\mu\text{mol/L}$ ([Prueksaritanont 2014](#), [Hanke 2021](#)).

OATP1B1 induction and inhibition

OATP1B1 induction is described above.

An *in vitro* determined K_i value for rifampicin ([Hirano 2006](#)) was updated by [Hanke 2021](#) and served as model input (see [Section 2.2.1](#)).

OATP1B3 induction and inhibition

The same parameters as for OATP1B1 induction were assumed.

An *in vitro* determined K_i value for rifampicin ([Annaert 2010](#)) was updated by [Hanke 2021](#) and served as model input (see [Section 2.2.1](#)).

OATP2B1 inhibition

Competitive inhibition of CYP2C9 by rifampicin was included using a dissociation (inhibition) constant (K_i) of 78.2 $\mu\text{mol/L}$ ([Zhang 2019](#), [Hanke 2021](#)).

Summary DDI Parameters

Protein	K_i [$\mu\text{mol/L}$]	E_{\max}	$EC_{50,u}$ [$\mu\text{mol/L}$]	Half-life liver [h]	Half-life intestine [h]
CYP1A2	-	0.65	0.34	39	23 (assumed)
CYP2C8	30.2	3.2	0.34	23	23 (assumed)
CYP2C9	150	-	-	-	-
CYP2E1	-	0.8	0.34	50	23 (assumed)
CYP3A4	18.5	9	0.34	36	23
AADAC	-	optimized	0.34	36 (assumed)	23 (assumed)
P-gp	9.1	optimized	0.34	36 (assumed)	23 (assumed)
BCRP	14	-	-	-	-
OATP1B1	0.477	optimized	0.34	36 (assumed)	23 (assumed)
OATP1B3	0.9	assumed to be equal to OATP1B1	0.34	36 (assumed)	23 (assumed)
OATP2B1	78.2	-	-	-	-

2.3.5 Automated Parameter Identification

This is the result of the final parameter identification:

Model Parameter	Optimized Value	Unit
Lipophilicity	2.5	Log Units
Specific intestinal permeability	1.24E-05	cm/min
Fraction unbound (plasma, reference value)	17 FIXED (see Section 2.2.1)	%
Solubility at reference pH	2800 FIXED (see Section 2.2.1)	mg/L
kcat AADAC (with a reference concentration of 1 µmol/L)	9.865	1/min
kcat P-gp (with a reference concentration of 1.41 µmol/L)	0.6088	1/min
kcat OATP1B1 (with a reference concentration of 1 µmol/L)	7.796*	1/min
E _{max} AADAC	0.985	
E _{max} P-gp	2.5 FIXED (see Section 2.2.1)	
E _{max} OATP1B1	0.383	

* The value in the model was updated to 5.210 with the release of PK-Sim 10 to account for the updated calculation method of interstitial concentrations (please refer to the respective [release notes of version 10](#)).

3 Results and Discussion

The rifampicin model was built and verified using various clinical studies. Overall, the model shows good performance to describe plasma concentration-time profiles over a dose range of 300 to 600 mg after intravenous and oral administration.

The next sections show:

1. the final model input parameters for the building blocks: [Section 3.1](#).
2. the overall goodness of fit: [Section 3.2](#).
3. simulated vs. observed concentration-time profiles for the clinical studies used for model building and for model verification: [Section 3.3](#).

3.1 Final input parameters

The parameter values of the final PBPK model are illustrated below.

Compound: Rifampicin

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin	Alternative	Default
Solubility at reference pH	2800 mg/l	Publication-Boman 1974	Aqueous solubility	True
Reference pH	7.5	Publication-Boman 1974	Aqueous solubility	True
Lipophilicity	2.5 Log Units	Publication-Parameter Identification-Hanke et al. 2018	Optimized	True
Fraction unbound (plasma, reference value)	17 %	Publication-In Vitro-Templeton 2011 (equilibrium dialysis)	Templeton 2011	True
Specific intestinal permeability (transcellular)	1.24E-05 cm/min	Publication-Parameter Identification-Hanke et al. 2018	Optimized	True
Is small molecule	Yes			
Molecular weight	822.94 g/mol			
Plasma protein binding partner	Albumin			

Calculation methods

Name	Value
Partition coefficients	Rodgers and Rowland
Cellular permeabilities	PK-Sim Standard

Processes

Metabolizing Enzyme: AADAC-Nakajima 2011

Molecule: AADAC

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
Enzyme concentration	1 $\mu\text{mol/l}$	
Vmax	6.5 $\mu\text{mol/l/min}$	
Km	195.1 $\mu\text{mol/l}$	
kcat	9.865 1/min	Publication-Parameter Identification-Hanke et al. 2018

Transport Protein: P-gp-Collett 2004

Molecule: P-gp

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
Transporter concentration	60 nmol/l	
Vmax	2.87 $\mu\text{mol/l/min}$	
Km	55 $\mu\text{mol/l}$	
kcat	0.6088 1/min	Publication-Parameter Identification-Hanke et al. 2018

Transport Protein: OATP1B1-Tirona 2003

Molecule: OATP1B1

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
Transporter concentration	109.6 $\mu\text{mol/l}$	
Vmax	0.372 $\mu\text{mol/l/min}$	
Km	1.5 $\mu\text{mol/l}$	
kcat	5.21004653 1/min	Publication-Parameter Identification-Hanke et al. 2018

Systemic Process: Glomerular Filtration-GFR

Species: Human

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
GFR fraction	1	Publication-Assumption-Hanke et al. 2018

Inhibition: CYP2C8-Kajosaari 2005

Molecule: CYP2C8

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
Ki	30.2 µmol/l	Publication-Kajosaari et al. 2005

Inhibition: CYP2C9-Hanke 2021

Molecule: CYP2C9

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
Ki	150 µmol/l	Publication-Yoshida 2012

Inhibition: CYP3A4-Kajosaari 2005

Molecule: CYP3A4

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
Ki	18.5 µmol/l	Publication-Kajosaari et al. 2005

Inhibition: BCRP-Hanke 2021

Molecule: BCRP

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
Ki	14 µmol/l	Publication-Prueksaritanont 2014

Inhibition: OATP1B1-Hanke 2021

Molecule: OATP1B1

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
Ki	0.29 µmol/l	Publication-In Vitro-Bi 2019

Inhibition: OATP1B3-Hanke 2021

Molecule: OATP1B3

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
Ki	0.5 µmol/l	Publication-In Vitro-Bi 2019

Inhibition: OATP2B1-Hanke 2021

Molecule: OATP2B1

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
Ki	78.2 µmol/l	Publication-In Vitro-Zhang 2019

Inhibition: P-gp-Hanke 2021

Molecule: P-gp

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
Ki	9.1 µmol/l	Other-In Vitro-NBI

Induction: CYP1A2-Chen 2010

Molecule: CYP1A2

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
EC50	0.34 µmol/l	
Emax	0.65	

Induction: CYP2C8-Buckley 2014

Molecule: CYP2C8

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
EC50	0.34 μmol/l	Publication-Templeton IE, Houston JB, Galetin A. Predictive utility of in vitro rifampin induction data generated in fresh and cryopreserved human hepatocytes, Fa2N-4, and HepaRG cells. Drug Metab Dispos. 2011;39:1921–9; Shou M, Hayashi M, Pan Y, Xu Y, Morrissey K, Xu L, et al. Modeling, prediction, and in vitro in vivo correlation of CYP3A4 induction. Drug Metab Dispos. 2008;36:2355–70.
Emax	3.2	Publication-Buckley DB, Wiegand CM, Prentiss PL, Fahmi OA. Time-course of cytochrome P450 (CYP450) induction in cultured human hepatocytes: Evaluation of activity and mRNA expression profiles for six inducible CYP450 enzymes. ISSX. 2013

Induction: CYP2E1-Rae 2001

Molecule: CYP2E1

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
EC50	0.34 μmol/l	
Emax	0.8	

Induction: CYP3A4-Templeton 2011

Molecule: CYP3A4

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
EC50	0.34 μmol/l	Publication-Templeton 2011 (weighted mean for FHH)
Emax	9	Publication-Templeton 2011 (weighted mean for FHH)

Induction: AADAC-Assumed

Molecule: AADAC

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
EC50	0.34 μmol/l	Publication-Assumption-Hanke et al. 2018
Emax	0.985	Publication-Parameter Identification-Hanke et al. 2018

Induction: OATP1B1-Dixit 2007

Molecule: OATP1B1

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
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Emax	0.383	Publication-Parameter Identification-Hanke et al. 2018

Induction: P-gp-Greiner 1999

Molecule: P-gp

Parameters

Name	Value	Value Origin
EC50	0.34 µmol/l	Publication-Assumption-Hanke et al. 2018
Emax	2.5	Publication-Assumption-Greiner et al. 1999

3.2 Diagnostics Plots

Below you find the goodness-of-fit visual diagnostic plots for the PBPK model performance of all data used presented in [Section 2.2.2](#).

The first plot shows observed versus simulated plasma concentration and the second weighted residuals versus time for itraconazole, hydroxyitraconazole, ketoitraconazole and N-desalkylitraconazole.

Table 3-1: GMFE for Rifampicin concentration in plasma/serum

Group	GMFE
Rifampicin iv	1.47
Rifampicin po	1.32
All	1.37

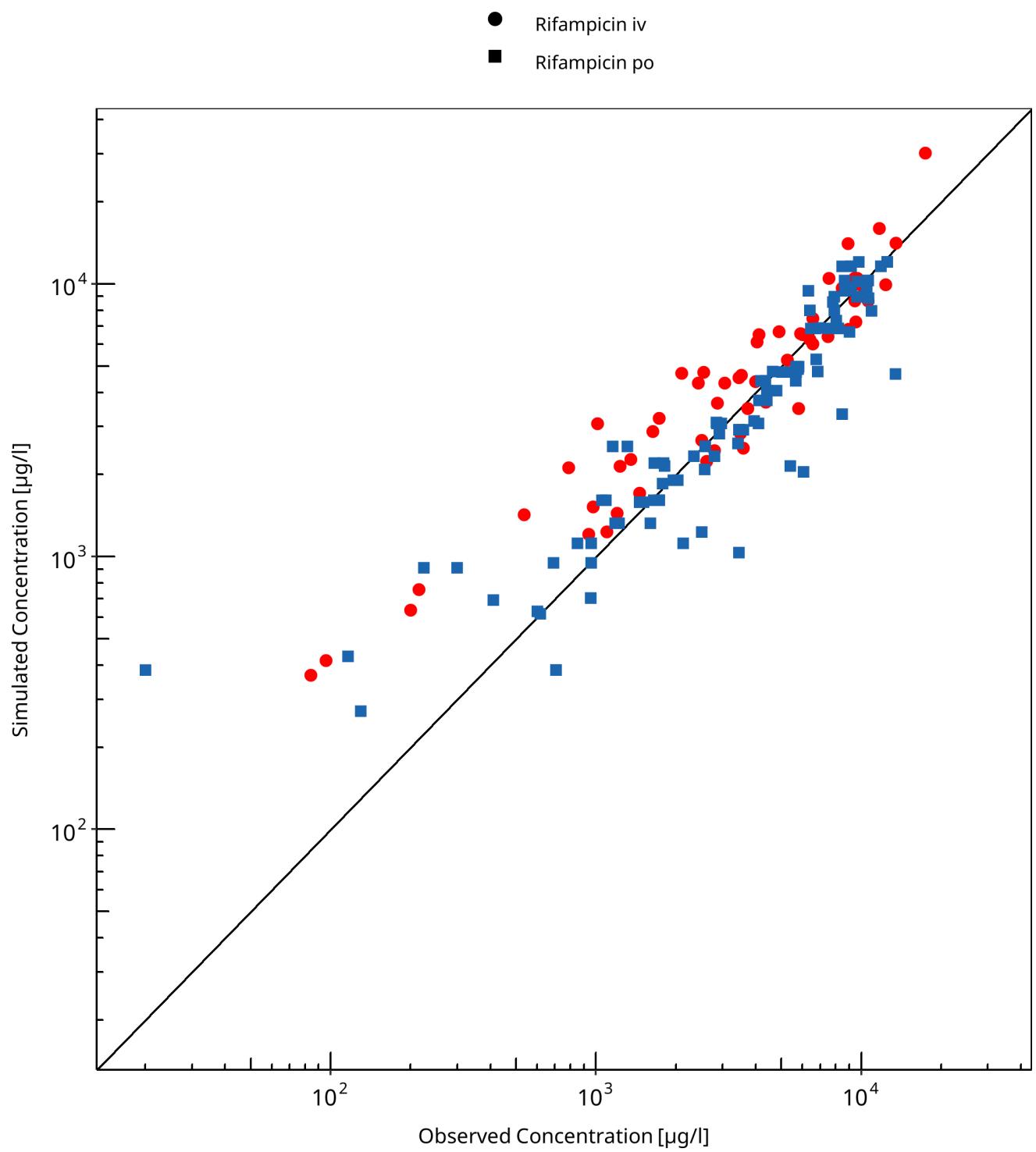


Figure 3-1: Rifampicin concentration in plasma/serum

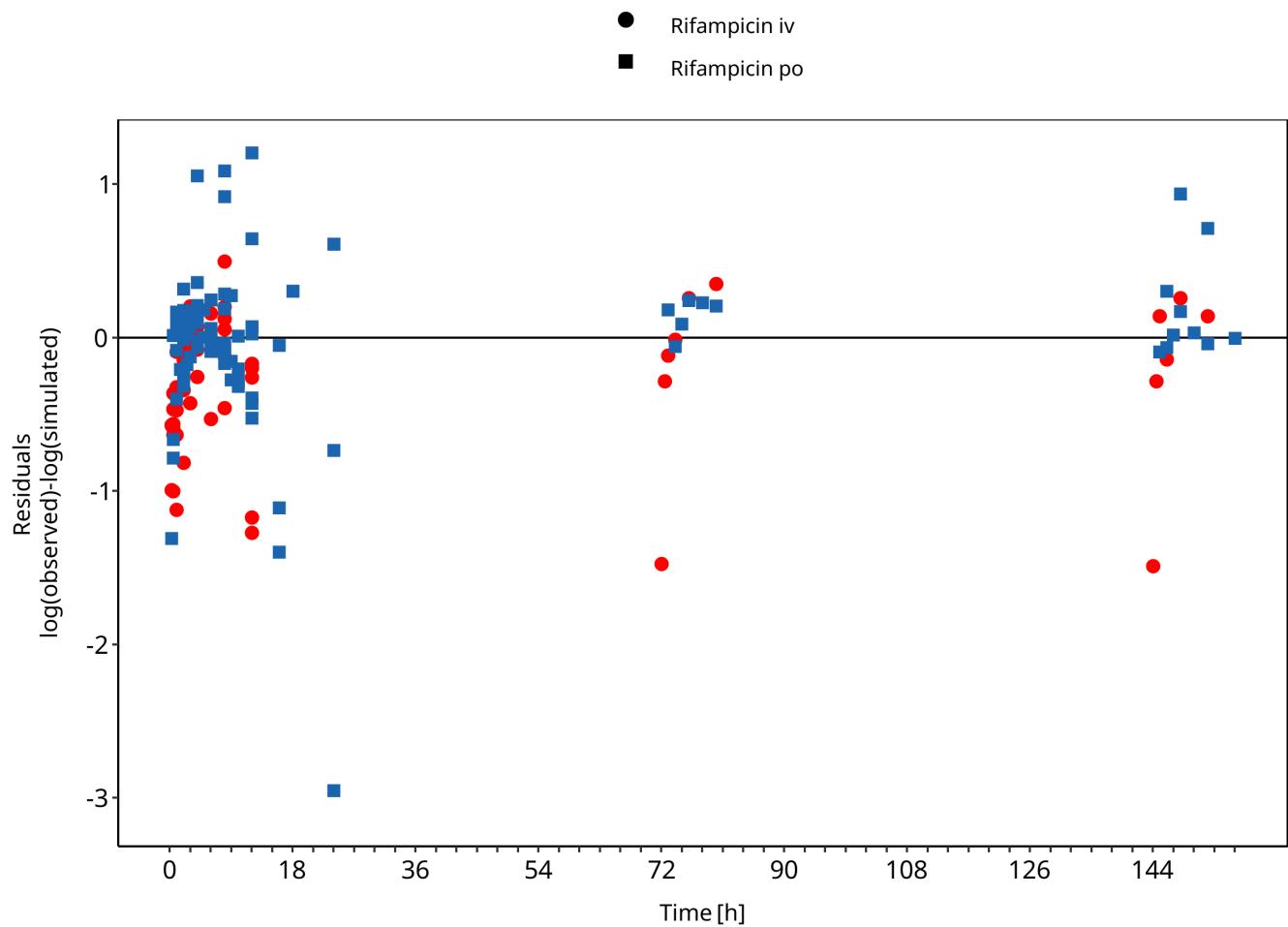


Figure 3-2: Rifampicin concentration in plasma/serum

3.3 Concentration-Time Profiles

Simulated versus observed concentration-time profiles of all data listed in [Section 2.2.2](#) are presented below.

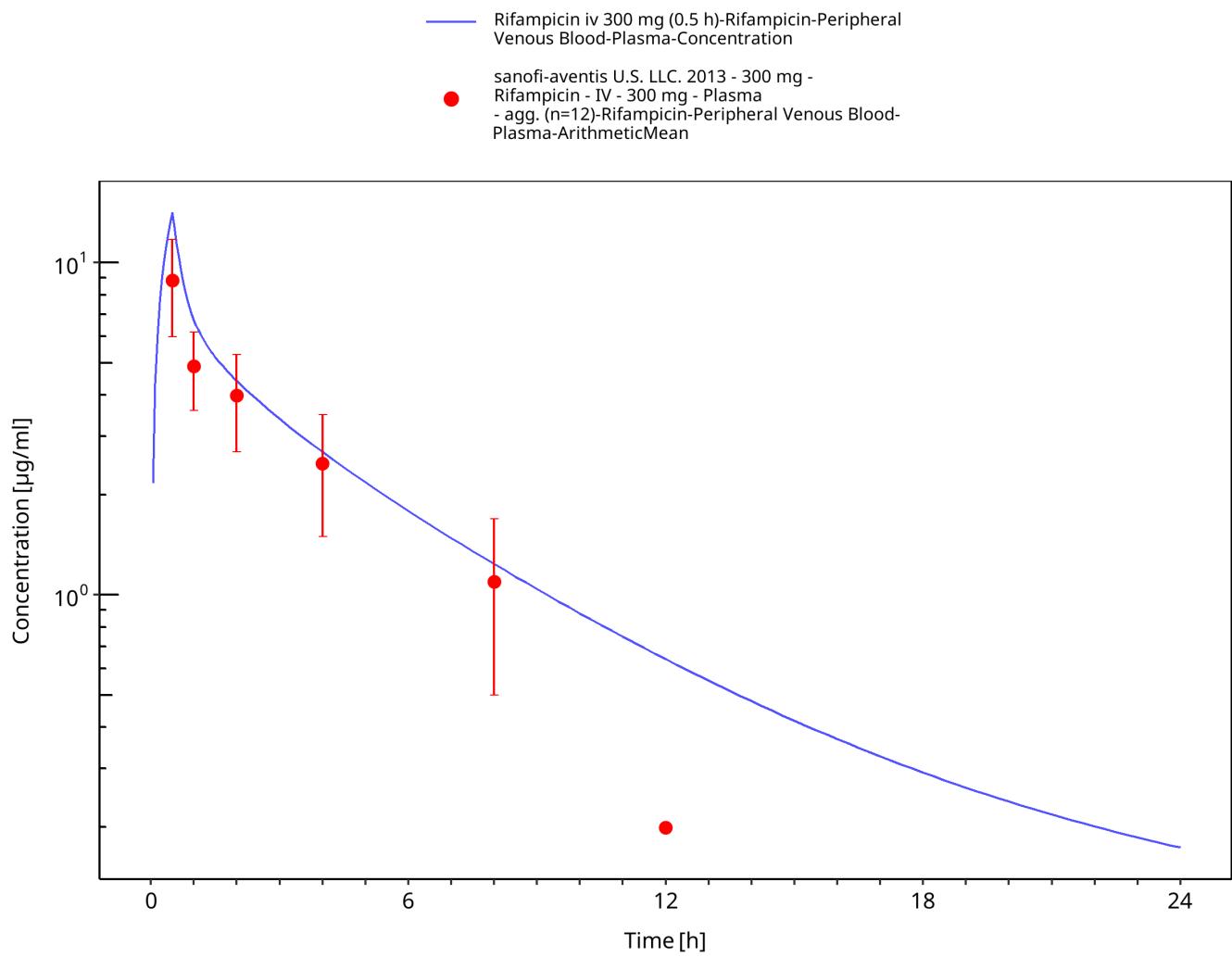


Figure 3-3: Rifampicin iv 300 mg (0.5 h)

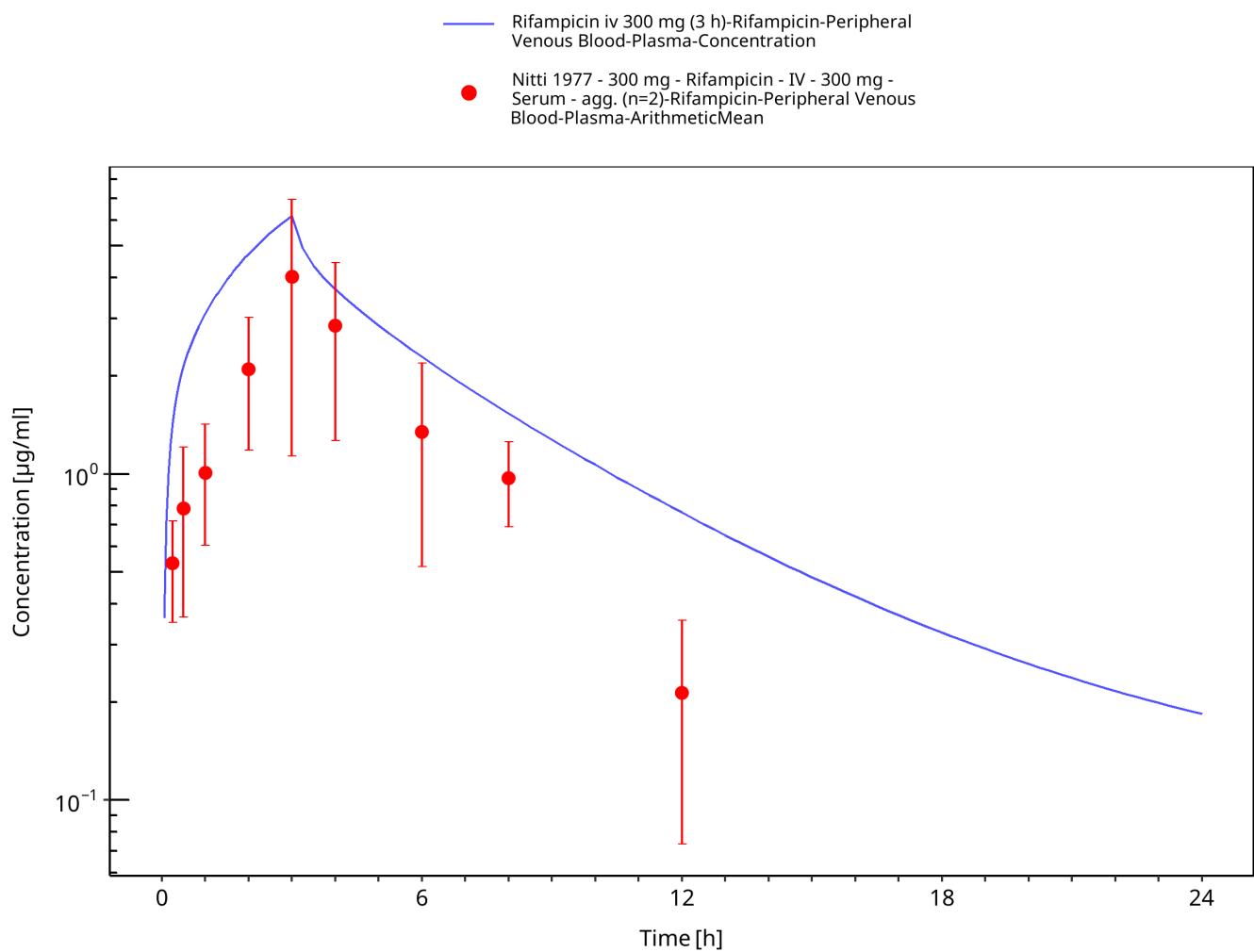


Figure 3-4: Rifampicin iv 300 mg (3 h)

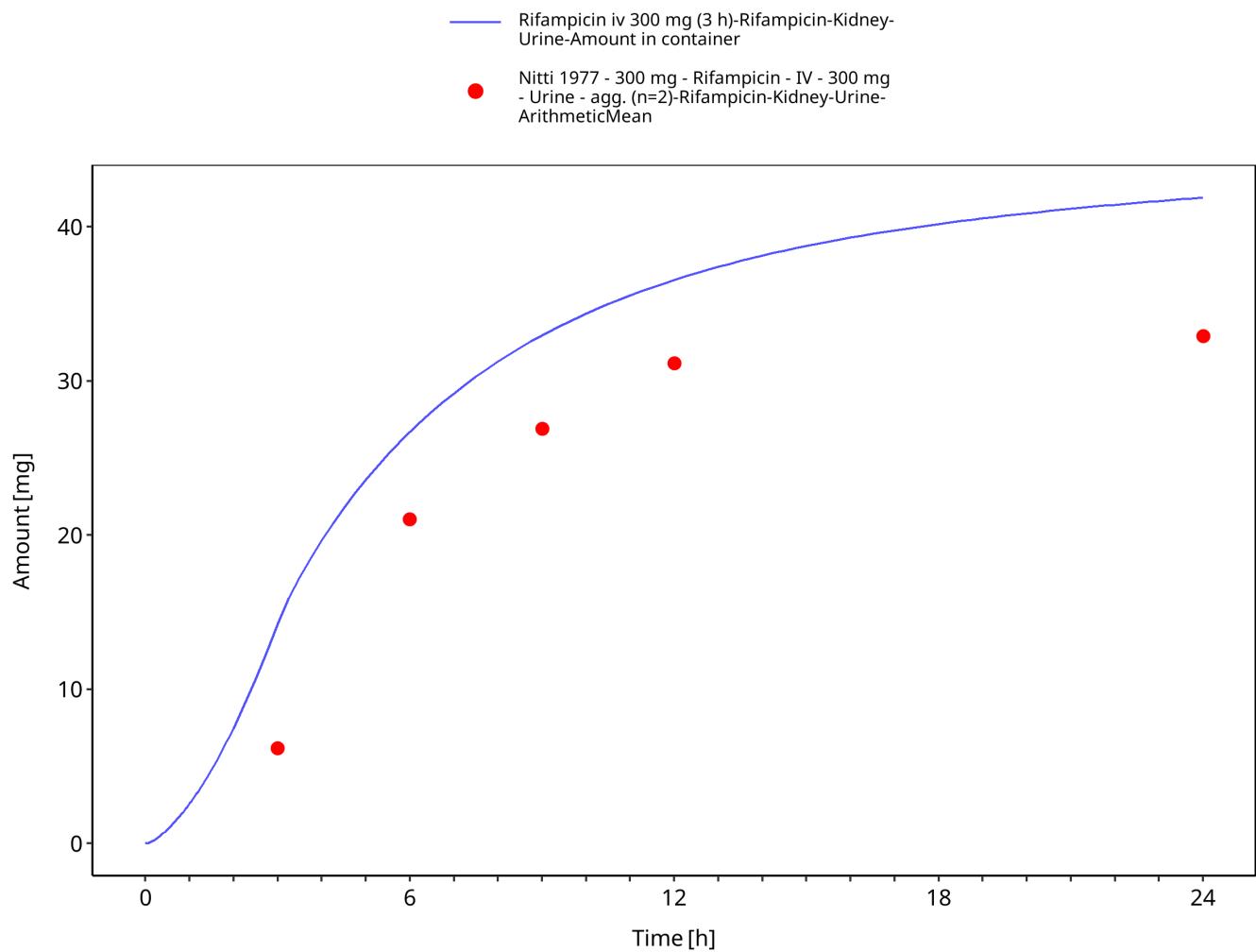


Figure 3-5: Rifampicin iv 300 mg (3 h) - Urine

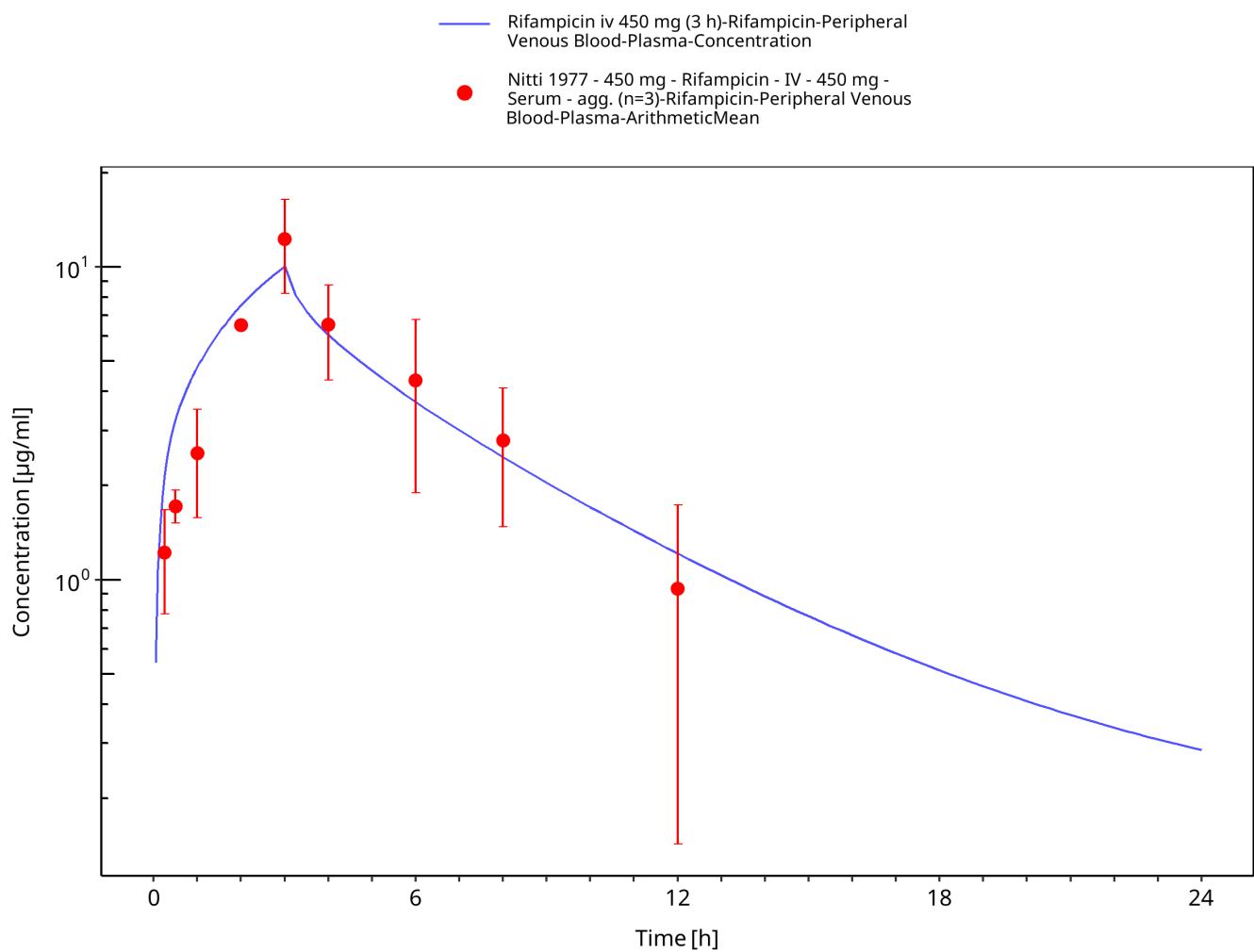


Figure 3-6: Rifampicin iv 450 mg (3 h)

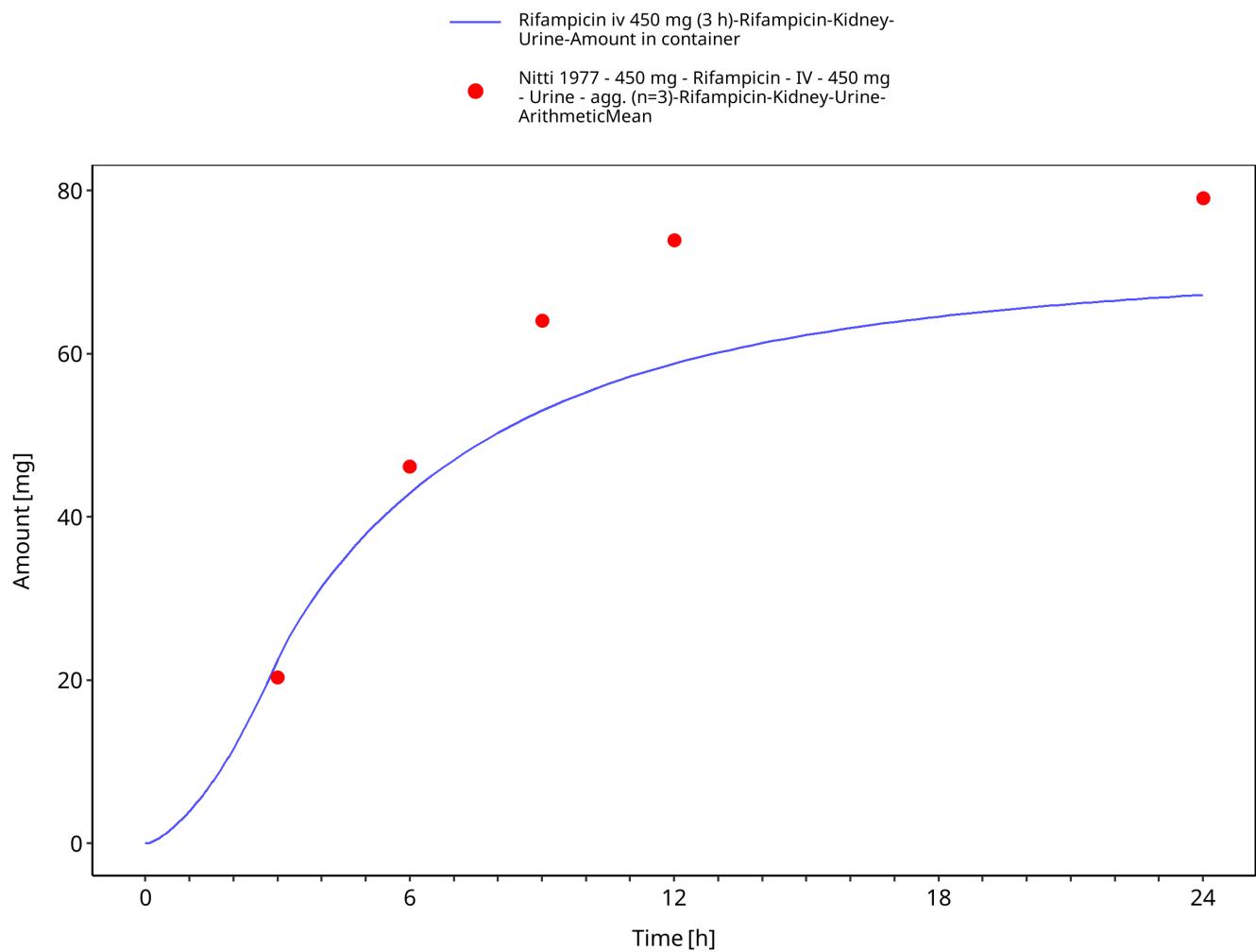


Figure 3-7: Rifampicin iv 450 mg (3 h) - Urine

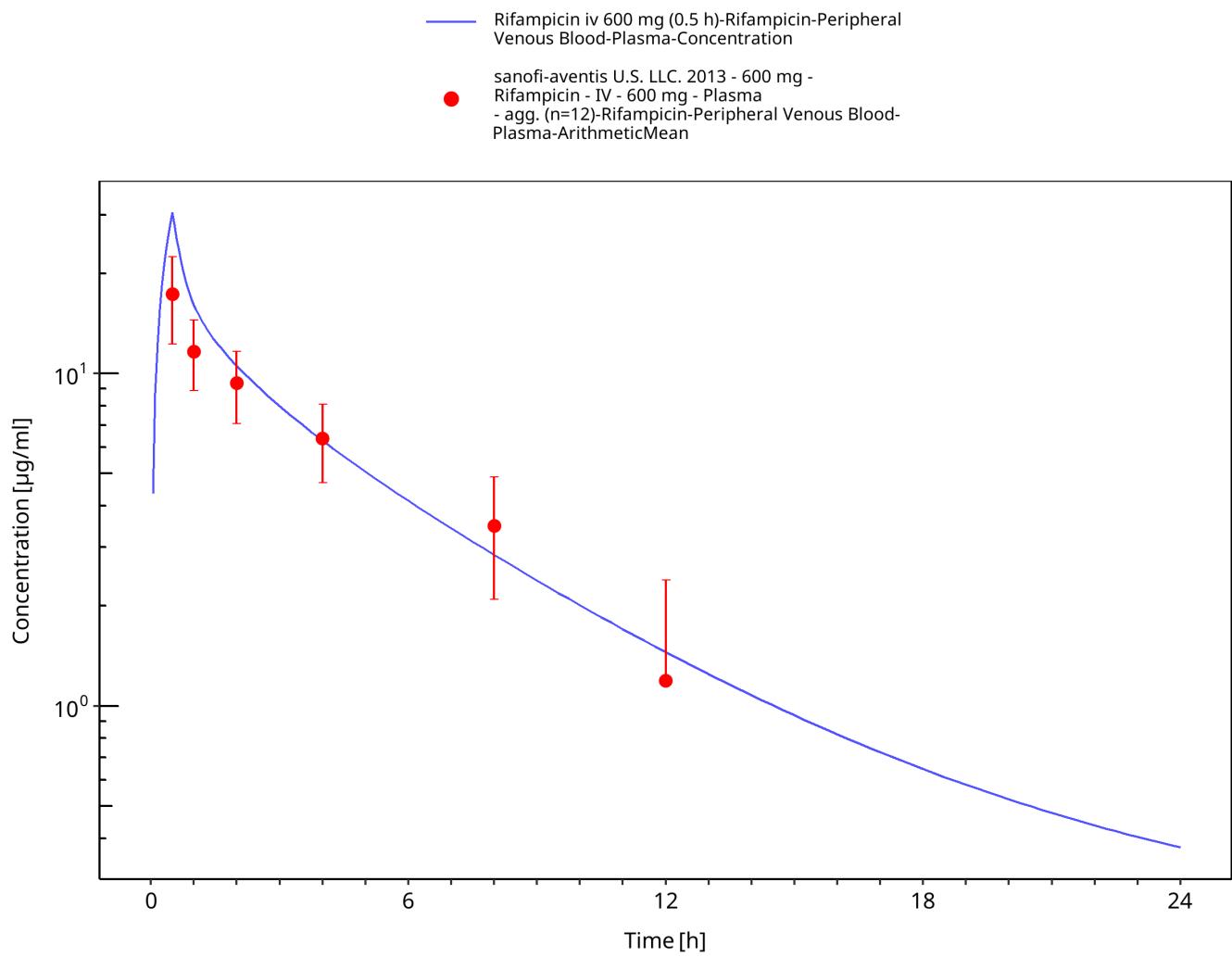


Figure 3-8: Rifampicin iv 600 mg (0.5 h)

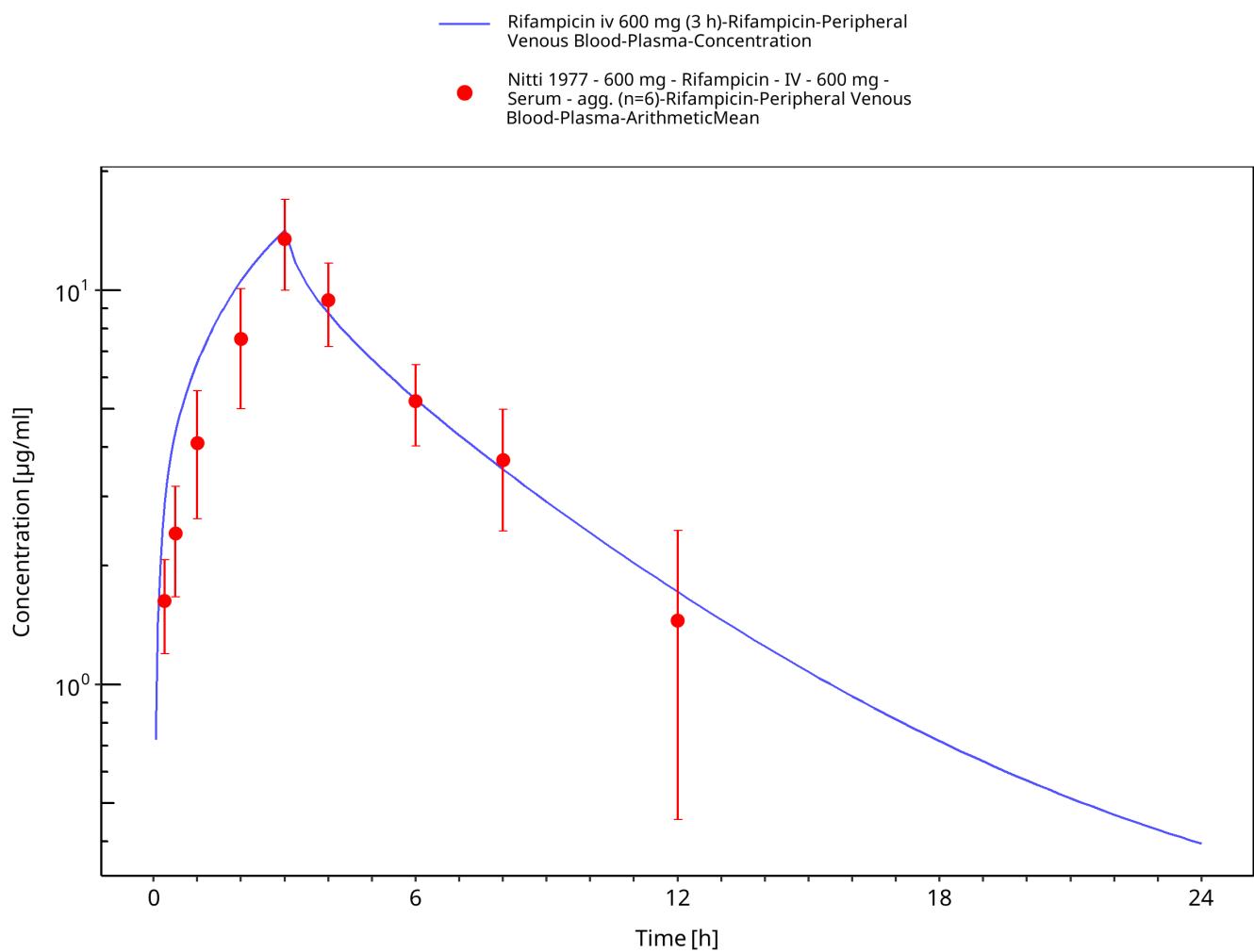


Figure 3-9: Rifampicin iv 600 mg (3 h)

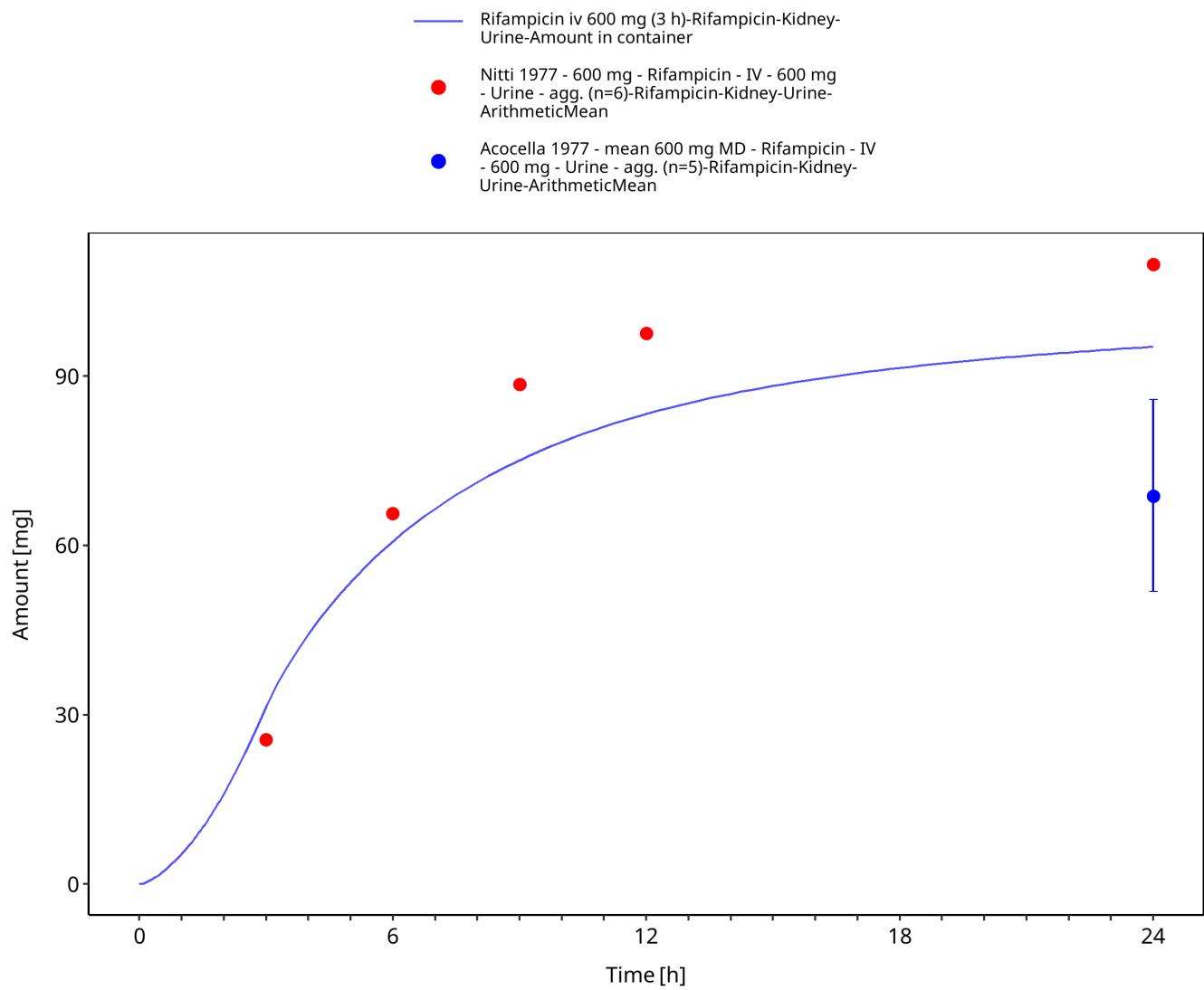


Figure 3-10: Rifampicin iv 600 mg (3 h) - Urine

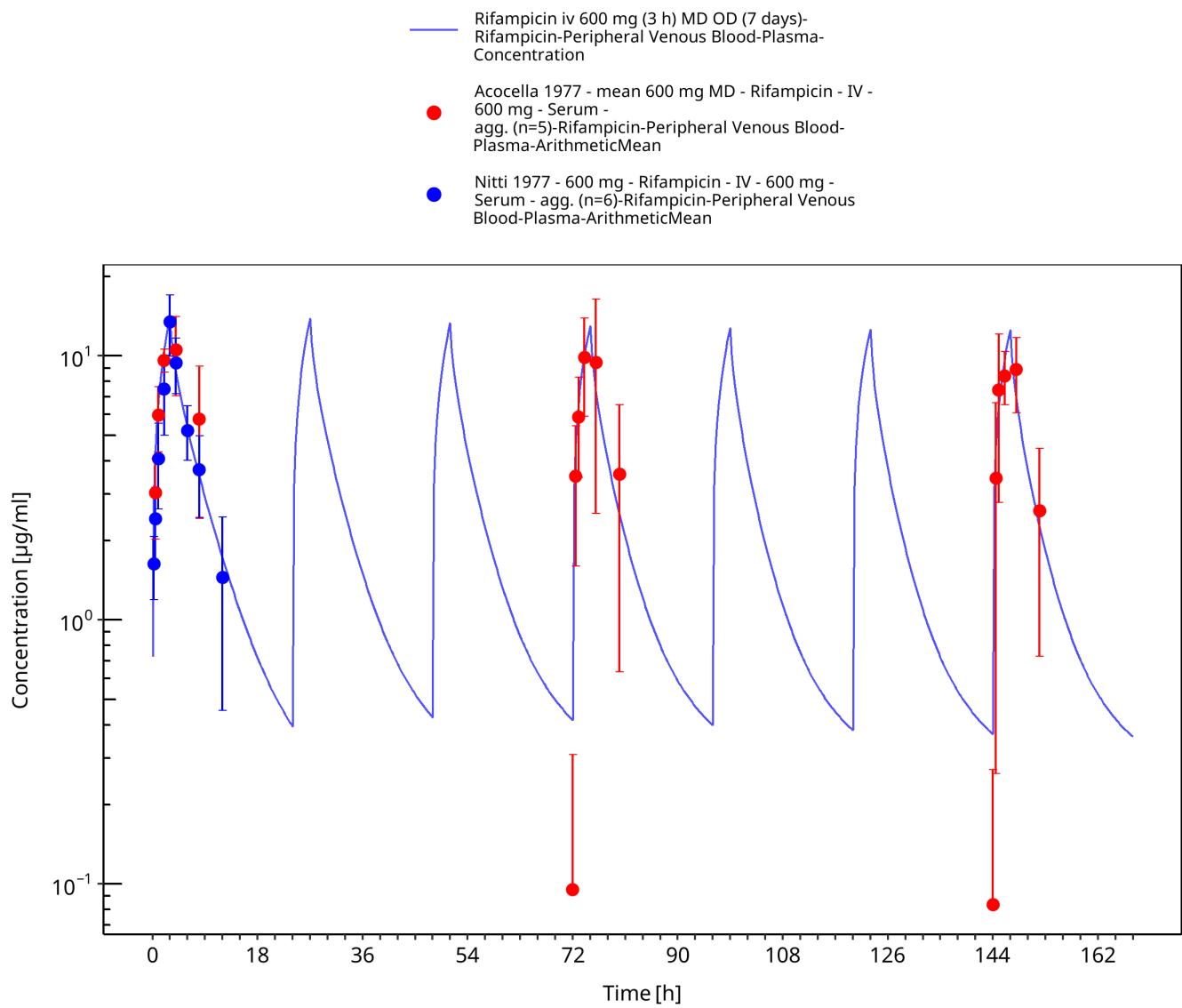


Figure 3-11: Rifampicin iv 600 mg (3 h) MD OD (7 days)

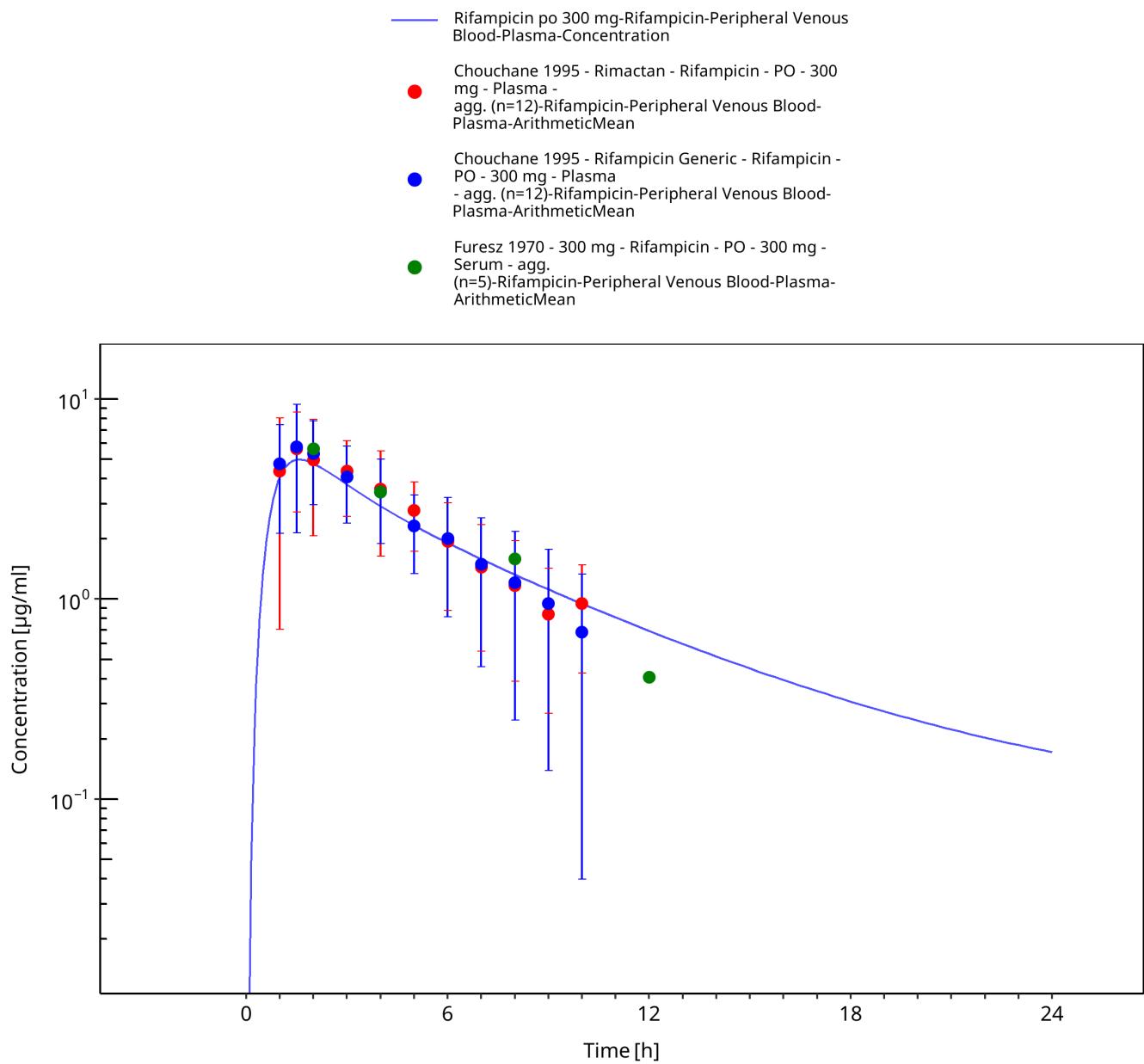


Figure 3-12: Rifampicin po 300 mg

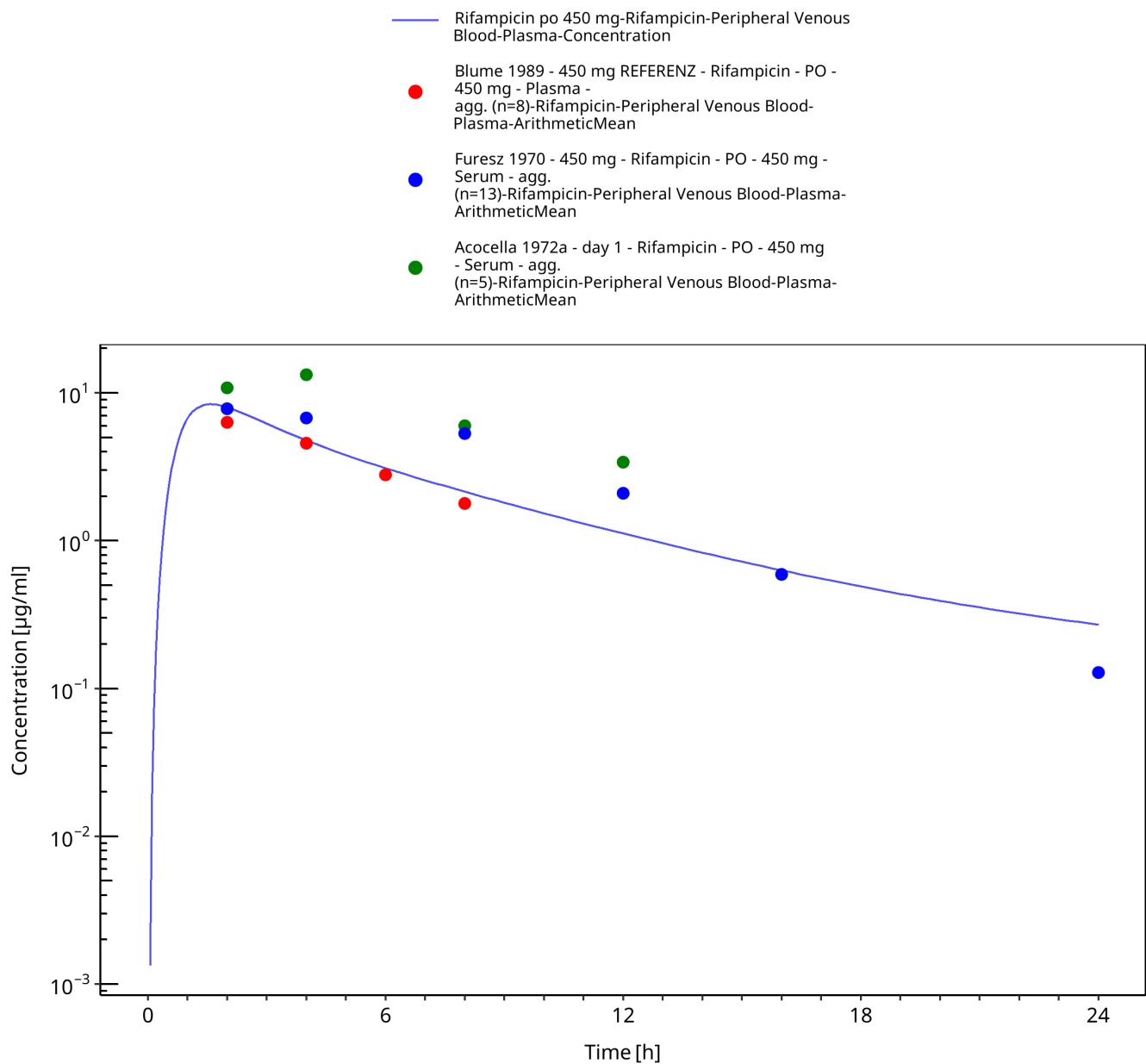


Figure 3-13: Rifampicin po 450 mg

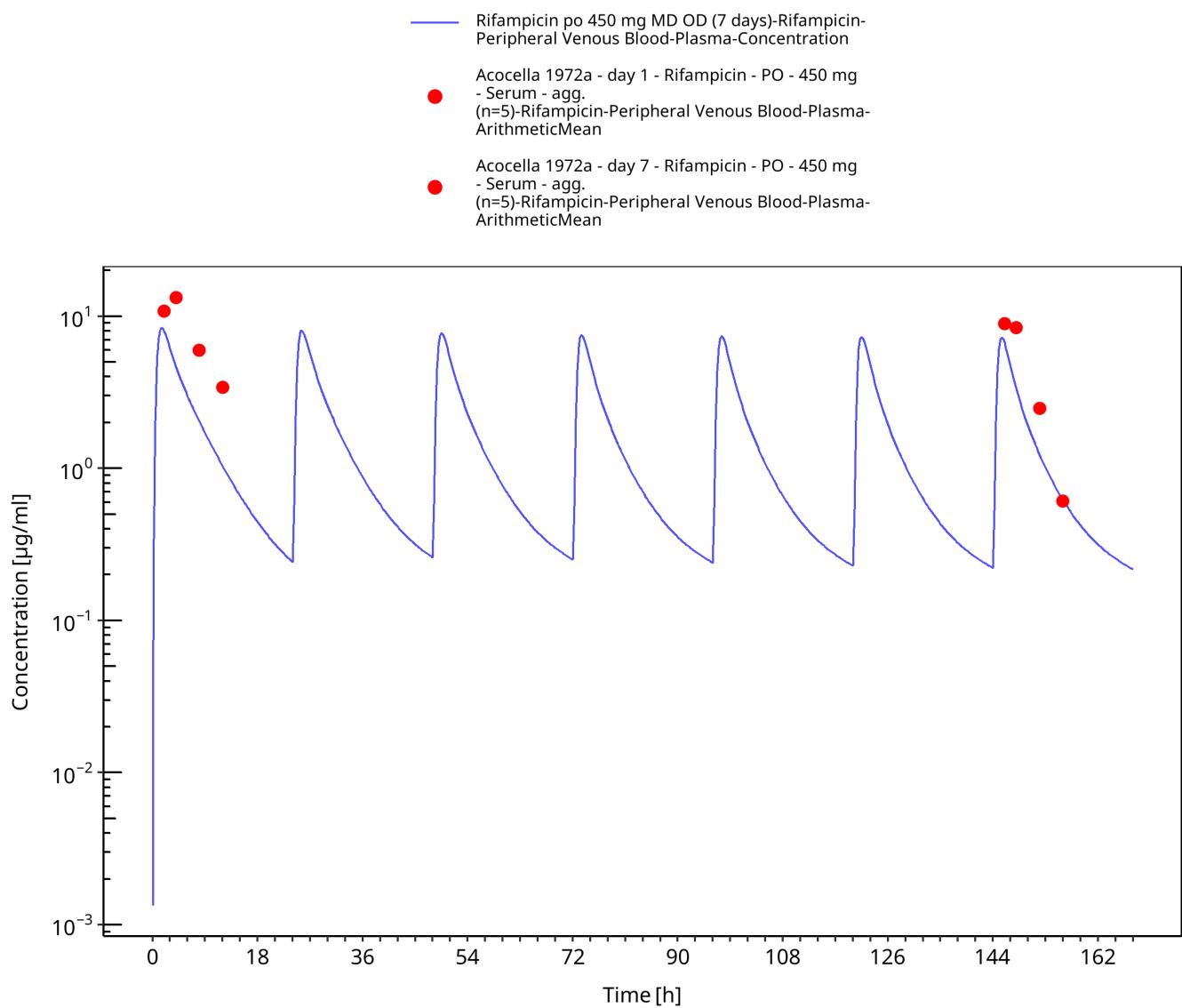


Figure 3-14: Rifampicin po 450 mg MD OD (7 days)

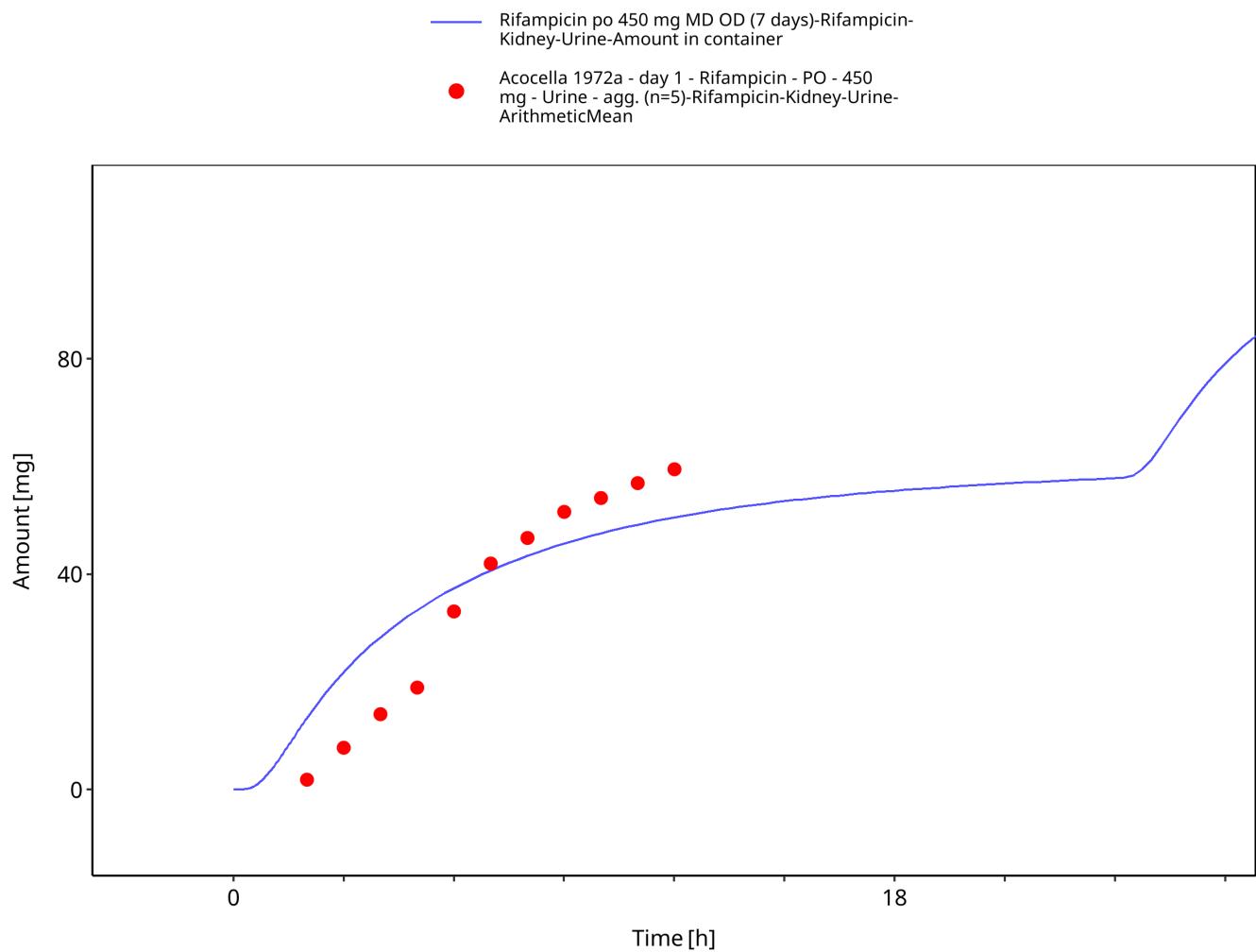


Figure 3-15: Rifampicin po 450 mg MD OD (7 days) - Urine

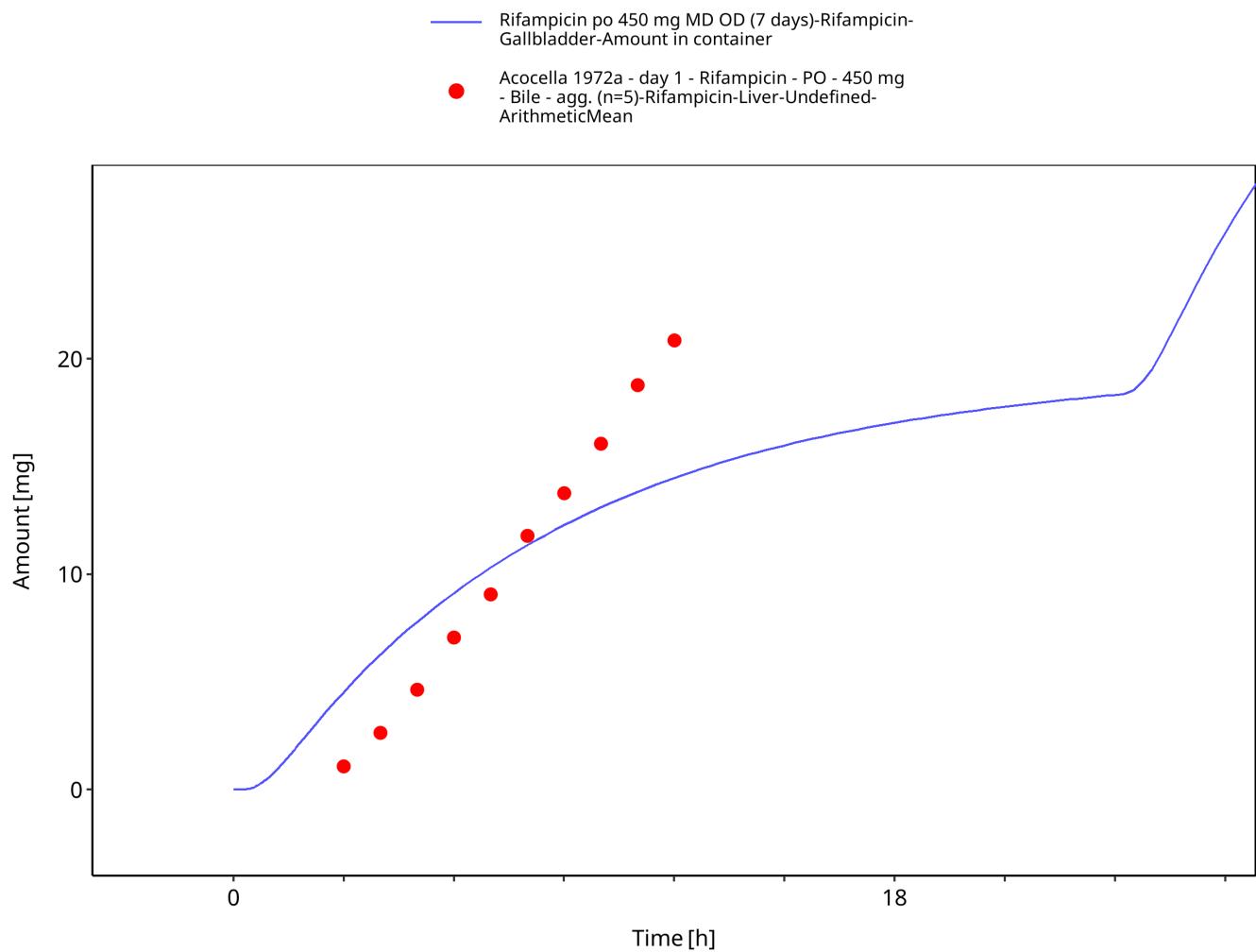


Figure 3-16: Rifampicin po 450 mg MD OD (7 days) - Bile

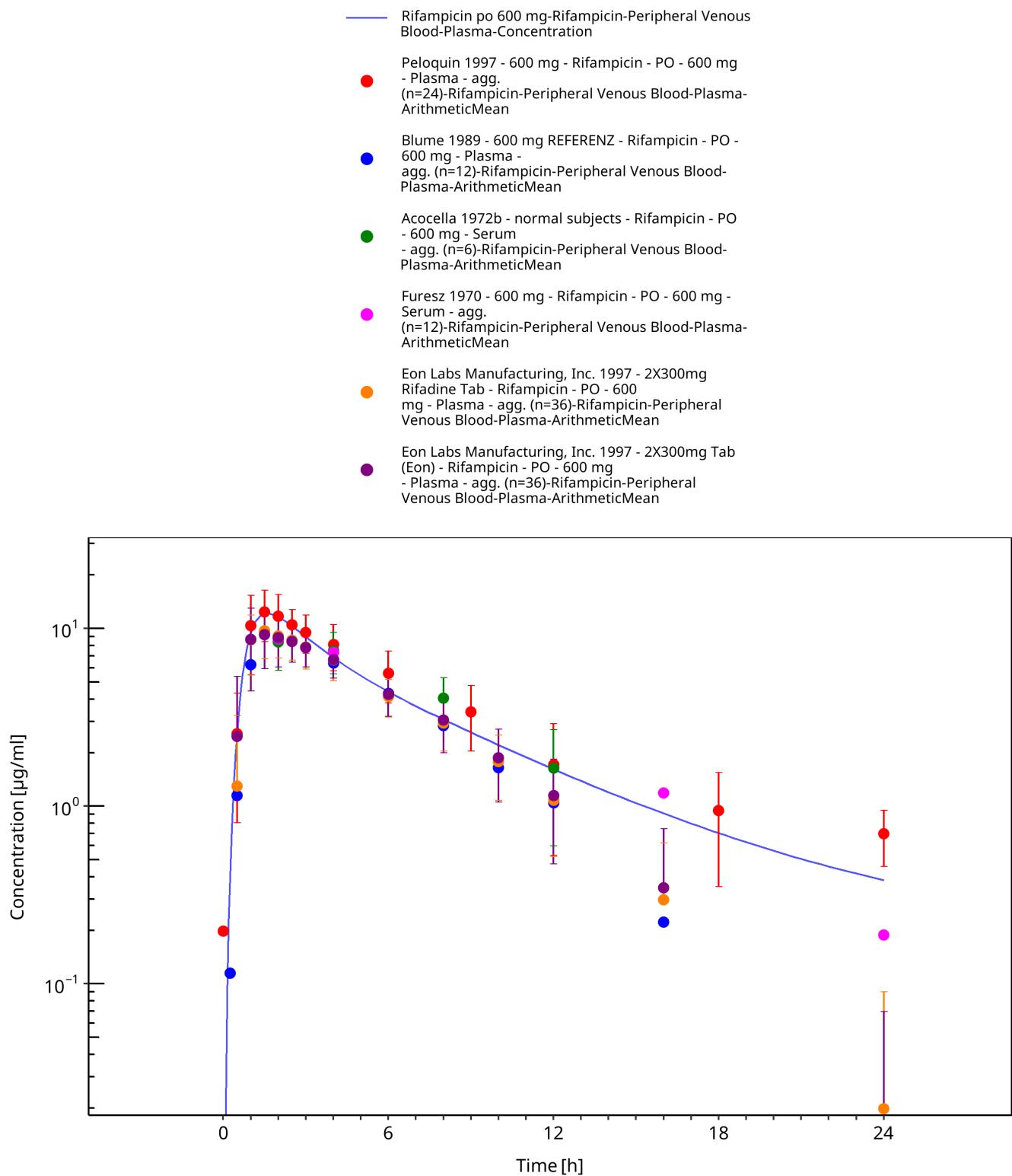


Figure 3-17: Rifampicin po 600 mg

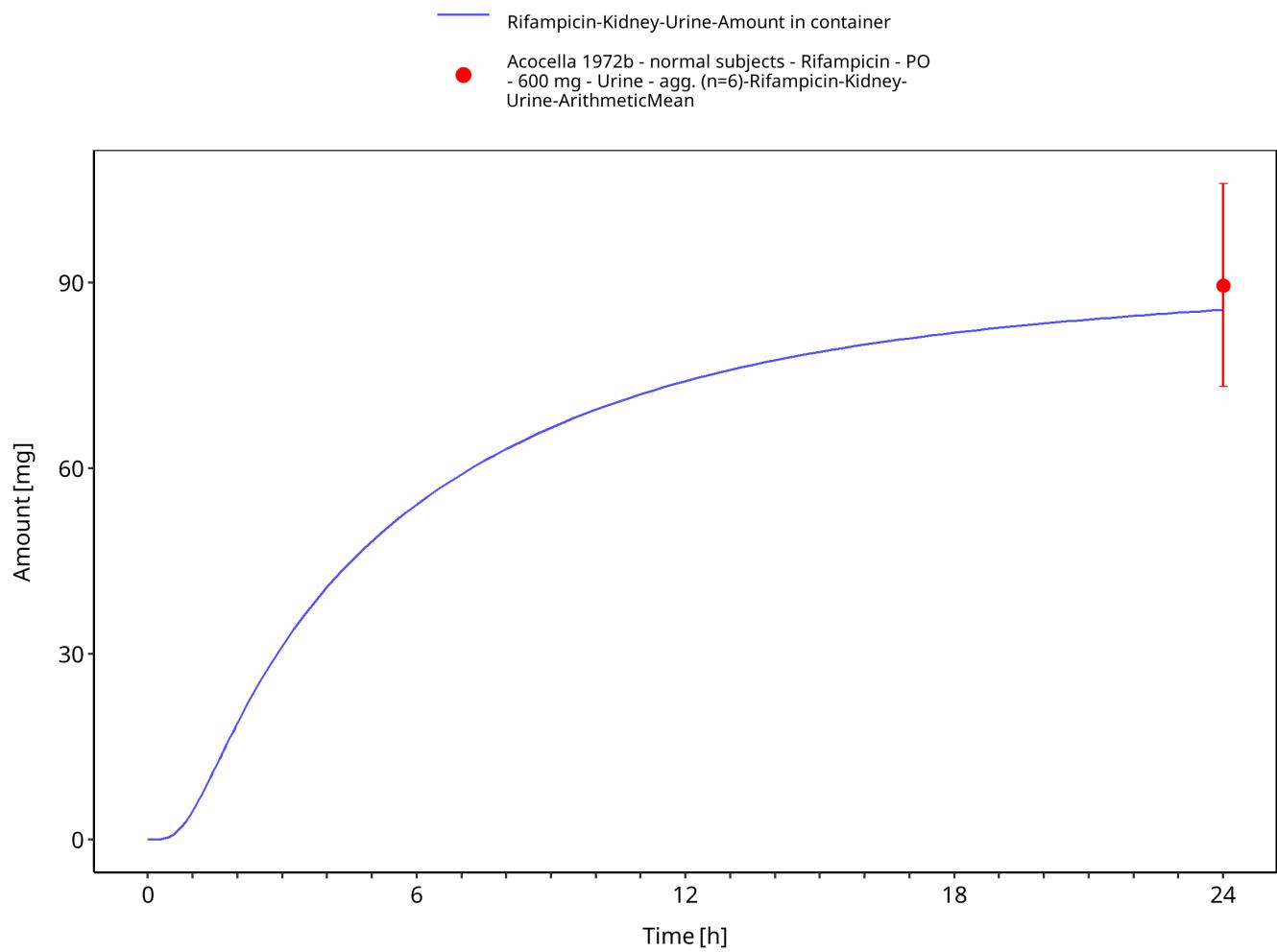


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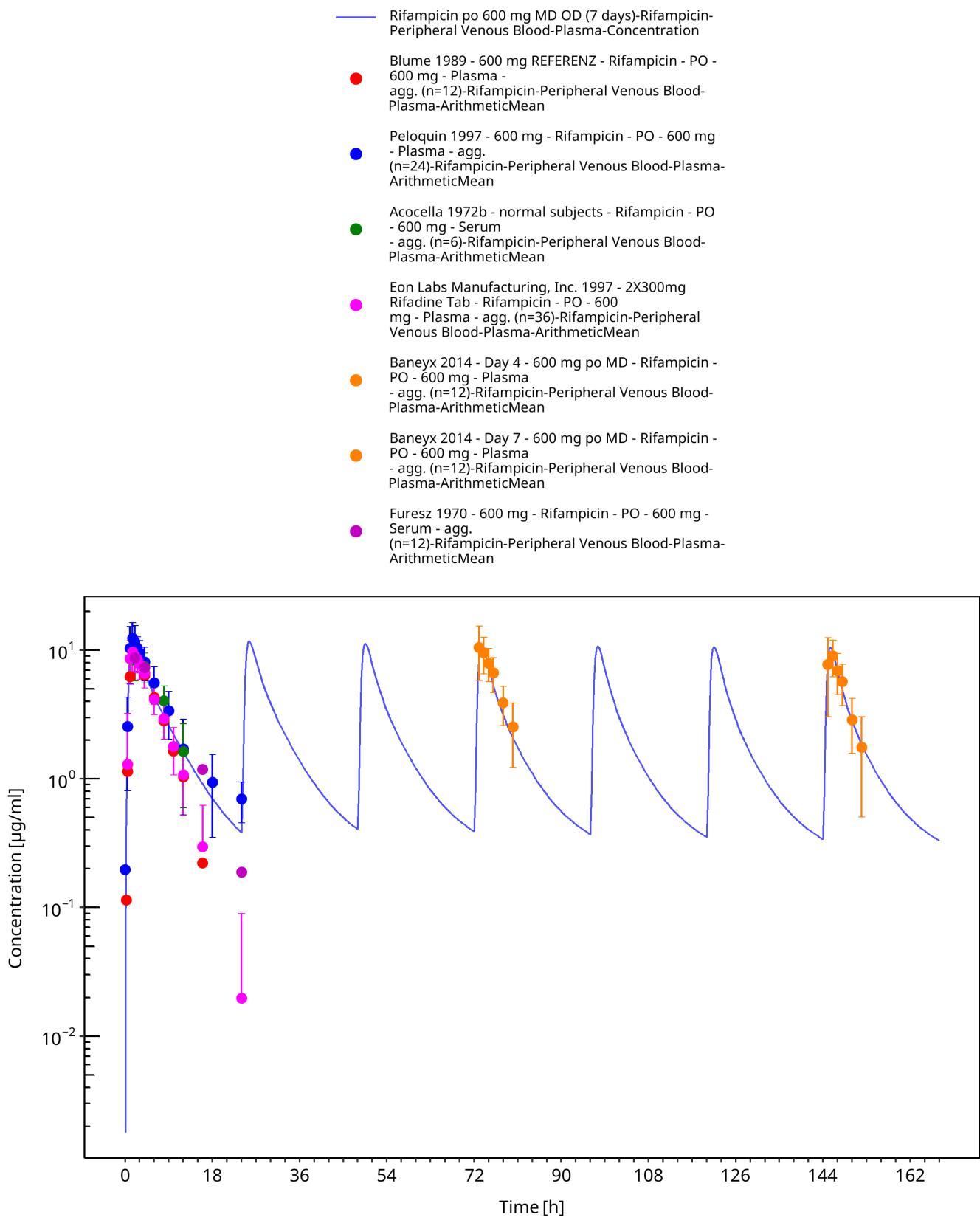


Figure 3-19: Rifampicin po 600 mg MD OD (7 days)

4 Conclusion

The herein presented PBPK model adequately describes the pharmacokinetics of rifampicin in adults. Little is known on the exact mass balance and the full metabolic profile of rifampicin. In this PBPK model, the implemented processes are those that were considered most vital to describe the pharmacokinetics of rifampicin and that could be informed either via *in vitro* data or via parameter optimization based on clinical PK data.

The herein presented quantification of induction processes of OATP1B1 and AADAC are purely based on parameter optimization to describe auto-induction phenomena of rifampicin. The herein presented induction process of P-gp is based on *in vivo* observed P-gp induction measured in duodenal biopsies ([Greiner 1999](#)). The derived E_{max} value was assumed to be applicable for P-gp induction in all tissues expressing P-gp. This needs to be considered when coupling the herein presented rifampicin model to PBPK models of potential victim drugs that are also subject to P-gp-mediated transport.

Endogenous protein half-lives of OATP1B1, AADAC, and P-gp are not known. Thus, values reported for CYP3A4 were assumed in this PBPK model. These values were needed to implement induction of the three proteins. However, sensitivity of these parameters on simulated rifampicin plasma concentration is very low.

The model features in particular induction of CYP3A4 based on aggregated *in vitro* CYP3A4 activity data in primary human hepatocytes ([Templeton 2011](#)). The model also accounts for competitive inhibition of CYP3A4.

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