



## **Homework 7**

**Bio pharmaceuticals & Pharmacokinetics/PHAR434**

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7. Park and associates (1983) studied the pharmacokinetics of amrinone after a single IV bolus injection (75 mg) in 14 healthy adult male volunteers. The pharmacokinetics of this drug followed a two-compartment open model and fit the following equation:

$$C_p = Ae^{-\alpha t} + Be^{-\beta t}$$

where

$$A = 4.62 \pm 12.0 \mu\text{g/mL}$$

$$B = 0.64 \pm 0.17 \mu\text{g/mL}$$

$$\alpha = 8.94 \pm 13 \text{ h}^{-1}$$

$$\beta = 0.19 \pm 0.06 \text{ h}^{-1}$$

From these data, calculate:

- a. The volume of the central compartment
- b. The volume of the tissue compartment
- c. The transfer constants  $k_{12}$  and  $k_{21}$
- d. The elimination rate constant from the central compartment
- e. The elimination half-life of amrinone after the drug has equilibrated with the tissue compartment

Answers (H.W. 7)

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$$C_p = Ae^{-\alpha t} + Be^{-\beta t}$$

$$C_p = 4.62e^{-8.94t} + 0.64e^{-0.14t}$$

$$\textcircled{a} V_p = D_0 / A + B$$

$$1 \text{ mg} = 1000 \text{ ng}$$

$$= \frac{75 \text{ ng} \times 1000 \text{ (ng)}}{4.62 + 0.64}$$

$$V_p = 14258.5 \text{ mL} \approx 14.26 \text{ L}$$

$$\textcircled{b} V_t = V_p k_{12} / k_{21} \quad (\text{Need to get the value of } k_{12} + k_{21})$$

$$= \frac{14258.5 \times 6.5215}{1.255}$$

$$V_t = 74093.1 \text{ mL} \approx 74.09 \text{ L}$$

$$\textcircled{c} k_{12} = \frac{AB(b-a)^2}{(A+B)(Ab + B\alpha)}$$

$$= \frac{(4.62 \times 0.64) (0.14 - 8.94)^2}{(4.62 + 0.64) [(4.62 \times 0.14) + (0.64 \times 8.94)]}$$

$$= \frac{226.38}{34.712844}$$

$$k_{12} = 6.5215 \text{ h}^{-1}$$

$$K_{21} = \frac{Ab + B\alpha}{A + B}$$

$$= \frac{(4.62 \times 0.19) + (0.64 \times 8.94)}{(4.62 + 0.64)}$$

$$K_{21} = 1.255 \text{ h}^{-1}$$

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$$\textcircled{a} K = \frac{ab(A+B)}{Ab + Ba}$$

$$= \frac{8.94 \times 0.19 (4.62 + 0.64)}{(4.62 \times 0.19) + (0.64 \times 8.94)}$$

$$= \frac{8.934636}{6.5994}$$

$$K = 1.3538 \text{ hr}^{-1} = k_d$$

$$\textcircled{c} t_{1/2b} = \frac{0.693}{b}$$

$$= \frac{0.693}{0.19}$$

$$t_{1/2b} = 3.65 \text{ hr}$$

two