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1. New directions in risk science
2. Exposomics
 - Biomarkers of exposure
 - Biomonitoring equivalents
 - High throughput techniques
3. Metals-specific exposure assessment
 - Aluminum
 - Manganese
 - Copper
4. Conclusions



Next generation risk assessment



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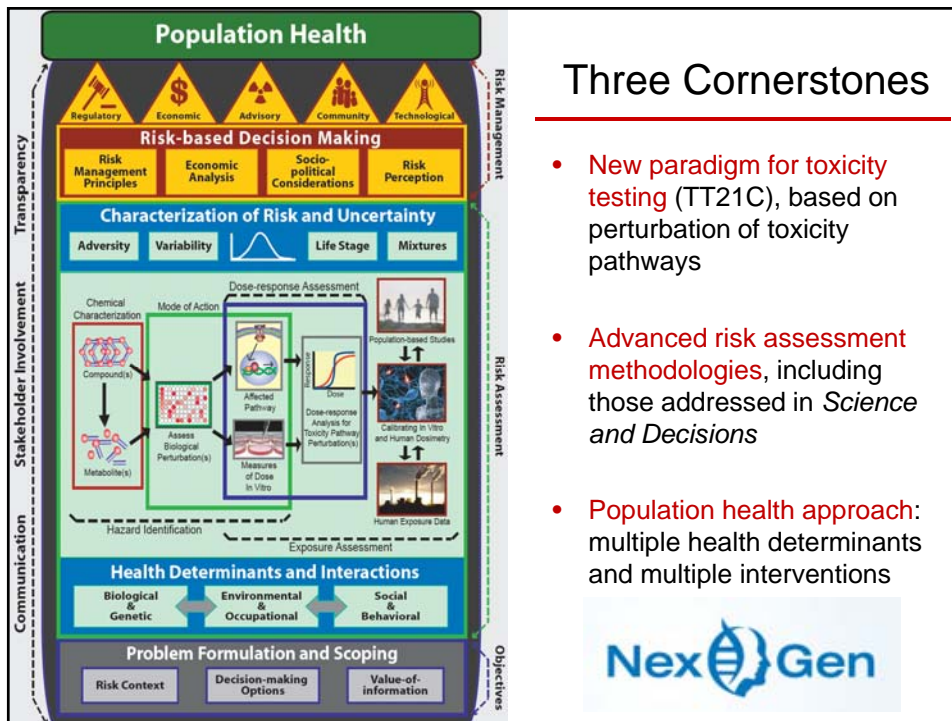
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A Framework for the Next Generation of Risk Science

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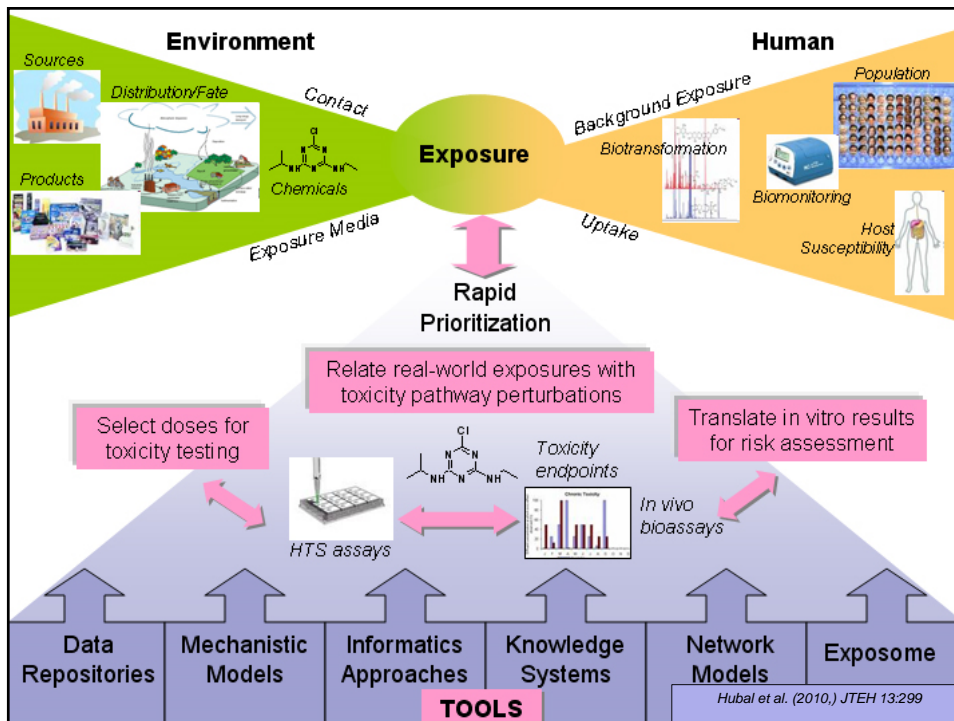
Three Cornerstones

- **New paradigm for toxicity testing (TT21C)**, based on perturbation of toxicity pathways
- **Advanced risk assessment methodologies**, including those addressed in *Science and Decisions*
- **Population health approach**: multiple health determinants and multiple interventions



Exposure Assessment

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Exposomics

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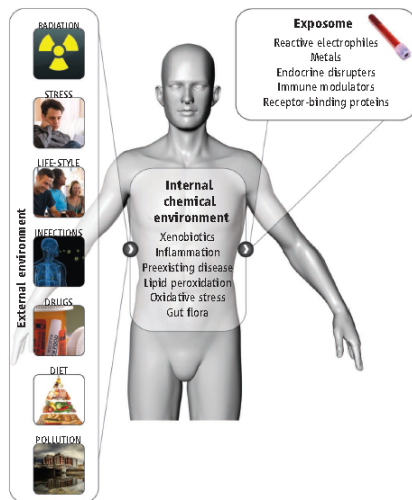


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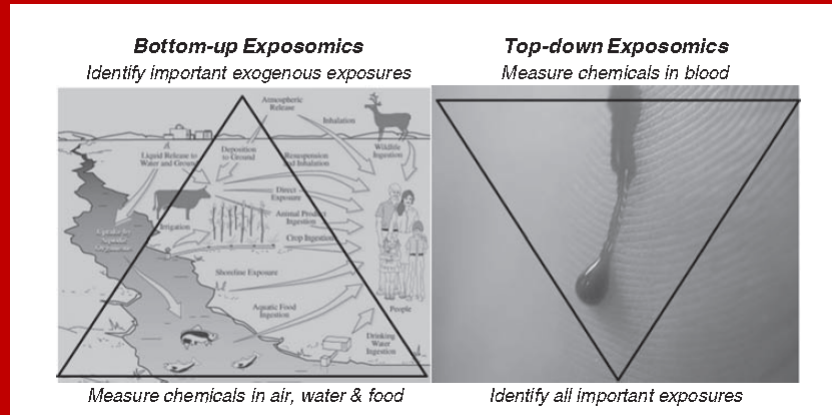
Environment and Disease Risks

Stephen M. Rappaport, *et al.*
Science **330**, 460 (2010);
DOI: 10.1126/science.1192603



“The exposome represents the combined exposures from all sources that reach the internal chemical environment. Toxicologically important classes of exposome chemicals are shown. Signatures and biomarkers can detect these agents in blood or serum.”

Two Approaches to Exposomics



Rappaport et al. (2011)
J. Exp. Sci. Env. Epi. 21:5

Biomarkers of Exposure



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National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey

Human Biomonitoring Programs

Canadian Health Measures Survey (CHMS)



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Report on Human Biomonitoring of Environmental Chemicals in Canada

Results of the Canadian Health Measures Survey Cycle 1 (2007-2009)



Table 8.15a
Lead – Arithmetic and geometric means, and selected percentiles of blood concentrations (µg/dL) for the Canadian population aged 6-79 years, Canadian Health Measures Survey Cycle 1, 2007-2009.

	n	%<LOD ^a	A.M. S95KCI	G.M. S95KCI	10 th S95KCI	25 th S95KCI	50 th S95KCI	75 th S95KCI	90 th S95KCI	95 th S95KCI
Total, age 6-79	5310	0.02	1.05 1.02-1.19	1.04 1.04-1.14	0.62 0.56-0.68	0.66 0.79-0.83	1.00 1.21-1.39	2.02 1.81-2.22	3.07 2.77-3.37	3.70 3.32-4.26
0-11	910	0.00	1.02 0.91-1.10	0.90 0.91-0.99	0.53 0.49-0.57	0.65 0.59-0.70	0.87 0.77-0.97	1.10 1.00-1.34	1.81 1.47-1.76	1.95 1.65-2.26
12-19	945	0.00	0.89 0.81-0.97	0.90 0.74-0.95	0.47 0.44-0.51	0.57 0.53-0.62	0.76 0.70-0.83	1.05 0.99-1.11	1.24 1.11-1.56	1.84 1.47-1.92
20-39	1165	0.00	1.37 1.27-1.46	1.12 1.04-1.21	0.57 0.51-0.60	0.76 0.69-0.82	1.05 0.99-1.11	1.58 1.31-1.77	2.35 2.02-2.69	3.12 2.76-3.49
40-59	1220	0.00	1.57 1.67-2.07	1.60 1.48-1.75	0.82 0.70-0.86	1.15 1.06-1.24	1.55 1.43-1.67	2.22 1.96-2.50	3.17 2.71-3.63	3.87 3.16-4.57
60-79	1070	0.00	2.49 2.22-2.77	2.08 1.90-2.29	1.04 0.91-1.14	1.44 1.33-1.58	2.07 1.90-2.24	3.02 2.61-3.37	4.17 3.53-4.91	5.19 4.28-6.18
Males										
Total, age 6-79	2570	0.00	1.88 1.69-2.03	1.51 1.40-1.63	0.71 0.66-0.76	1.01 0.95-1.08	1.44 1.34-1.54	2.21 2.01-2.42	3.28 2.87-3.66	4.22 3.71-4.72
0-11	450	0.00	1.04 0.94-1.14	0.92 0.85-0.99	0.54 0.50-0.58	0.69 0.61-0.72	0.99 0.79-1.00	1.21 1.10-1.31	1.64 1.44-1.83	1.90 1.76-2.13
12-19	469	0.00	0.99 0.88-1.11	0.88 0.80-0.96	0.51 0.46-0.55	0.65 0.60-0.69	0.87 0.79-0.95	1.16 1.00-1.27	1.53 1.29-1.77	1.79 1.26-2.29
20-39	514	0.00	1.70 1.56-1.85	1.41 1.28-1.55	0.75 0.65-0.85	0.97 0.97-1.07	1.30 1.15-1.46	2.00 1.68-2.33	2.94 2.59-3.30	3.95 2.88-4.42
40-59	577	0.00	2.01 1.76-2.07	1.74 1.57-1.92	0.90 0.89-1.08	1.25 1.16-1.35	1.81 1.65-1.77	2.35 1.92-2.77	3.31 2.77-3.65	3.95 3.02-4.88
60-79	537	0.00	2.78 2.46-3.10	2.31 2.08-2.57	1.20 1.07-1.34	1.65 1.37-1.73	2.34 1.98-2.49	3.27 2.86-3.68	4.69 3.96-5.75	6.17 4.95-7.39
Females										
Total, age 6-79	2743	0.04	1.45 1.30-1.60	1.18 1.08-1.30	0.55 0.50-0.60	0.74 0.68-0.81	1.14 1.04-1.25	1.74 1.61-1.87	2.75 2.35-3.12	3.50 3.03-3.97
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^a If >40% of samples were below the LOD, the percentile distribution is reported but means were not calculated.

Biomonitoring Equivalents

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Establishing Biomonitoring Equivalents

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Biomonitoring Equivalents



- 2,4-D
- Acrylamide
- Cadmium
- Cyfluthrin
- Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate
- Phthalate Esters:
 - Diethyl phthalate
 - Di-n-butyl phthalate
 - Benzylbutyl phthalate
- Polychlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxins and dibenzofurans
- Toluene
- Trihalomethanes:
 - Chloroform
 - Dibromochloromethane
 - Bromodichloromethane
 - Bromoform

http://www.biomonitoringequivalents.net/html/chemical_specific_bes.html

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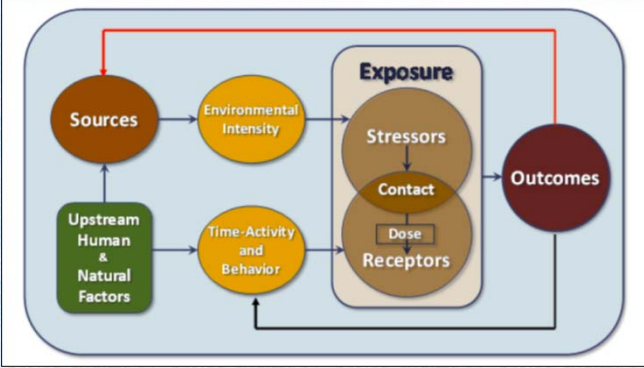


Exposure Assessment Guidance

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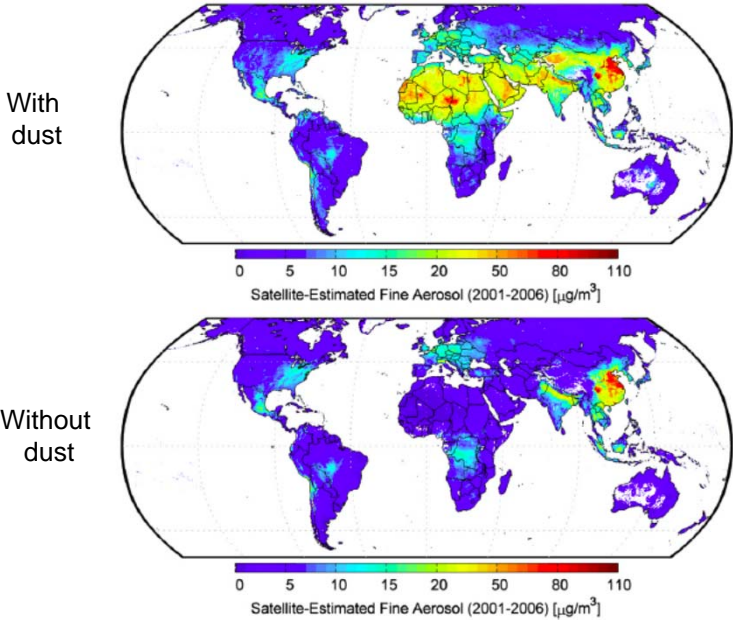
Exposure Science in the 21st Century



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Remote Sensing Techniques: Global PM2.5 Levels



Evans et al. (2013)
Env. Res. 120:33



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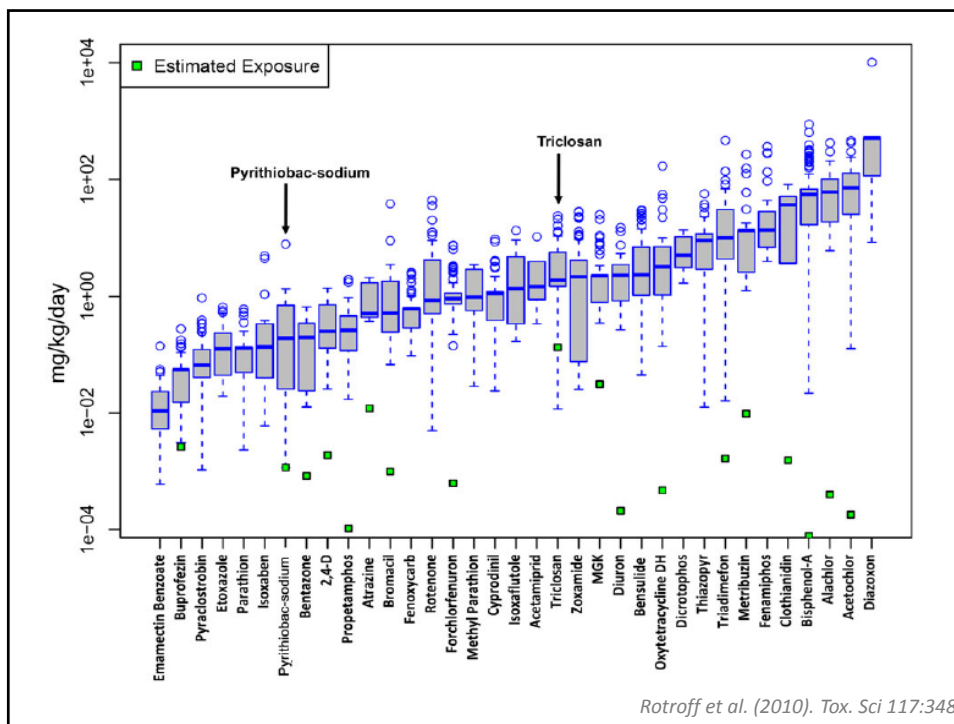
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INNOVATIVE RESEARCH FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

High-Throughput Exposure Forecasting

- **ExpoCast** provides high-throughput exposure estimations for thousands of chemicals via multiple routes
- **Farfield exposure models** used to estimate exposure from chemicals that are released into the environment
- **Nearfield exposure models** used to estimate of exposure to chemicals in consumer products and in-home sources
- **CPCat** database catalogs the use of over 40,000 chemicals in different consumer products

Margins of Exposure
based on
In Vitro Toxicity Testing



High-throughput Biomonitoring

A. The environmental metabolome

The human metabolome contains >1 million chemicals

- 40 nutrients
- 2000 intermediary metabolites
- 200,000 peptides
- 500,000 lipids
- 200,000 food constituents
- 100,000 microbiome metabolites
- 10,000 drugs and drug metabolites
- 100,000 commercial products, environmental chemicals & metabolites

The human exposome is likely to include >400,000 chemicals

B. Cost comparison for chemical profiling

Targeted chemical assay

# of individuals	# of assays	# of chemicals x individuals
1000 @ \$1 = \$1,000	1000 @ \$1 = \$1,000	1000 x 1000 @ \$1 = \$1M
1000 @ \$10 = \$10,000	1000 @ \$10 = \$10,000	1000 x 1000 @ \$10 = \$10M
1000 @ \$100 = \$100,000	1000 @ \$100 = \$100,000	1000 x 1000 @ \$100 = \$100M
		20,000 x 1000 @ \$100 = \$2B

High-resolution Metabolomics

of chemicals x individuals
20,000 x 1000 @ \$100 = \$100,000

C. High-resolution metabolomics

Unprecedented detection of low abundance ions

D. Profile and Centroid Mode MS Data

Jones, D.P. (2015), submitted.

Metal Specific Exposure Assessment: Aluminum

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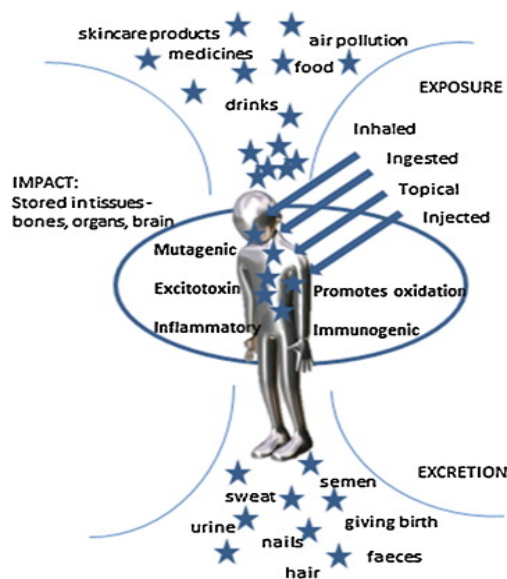
Systematic review of potential health risks posed by pharmaceutical, occupational and consumer exposures to metallic and nanoscale aluminum, aluminum oxides, aluminum hydroxide and its soluble salts

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Human Exposure to Aluminum



Kramer & Heath (2014)
Vaccine 32:4140

Main Sources of Exposure to Aluminum

- **Food** is the primary source of aluminum for most healthy people: the typical American diet contributes about 5 mg/d to human exposure
- **Drinking water** contributes much less Al than food: about 0.2 mg/d at the WHO drinking water guideline
- **Non-prescription medicines** can lead to much higher exposures: 120-7,200 mg/d for antacids and 200-1,000 mg/day for buffered aspirin
- **Occupational exposures** can also be appreciable: 3-21 mg/d for Al smelting or welding
- **Other sources**, including cosmetics and anti-perspirants, are comparatively small

Metal Specific Exposure Assessment: Manganese

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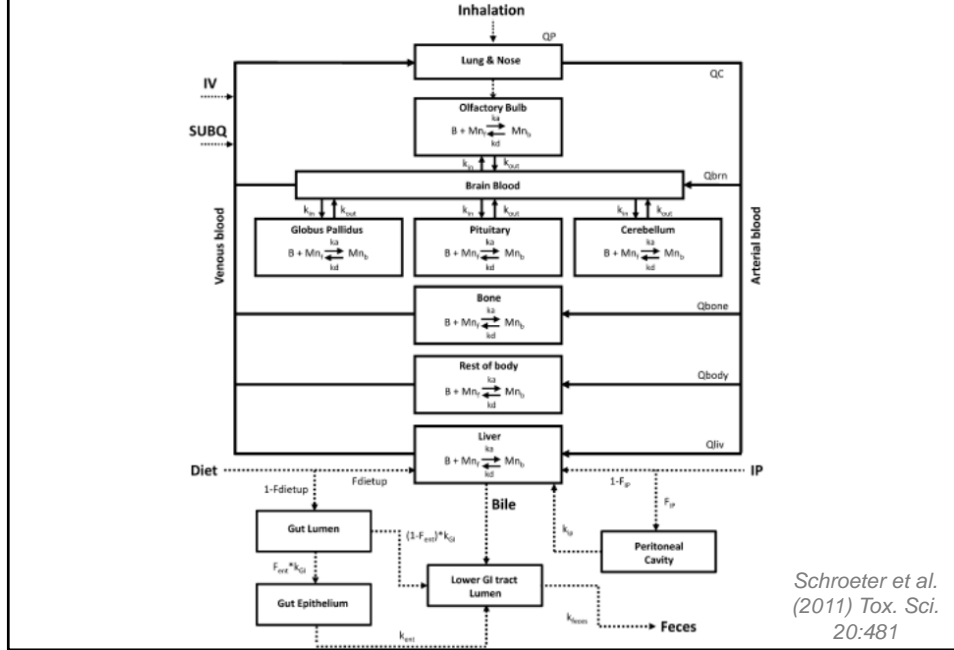
Main Health Issues Associated with Manganese Exposure

- **Neurotoxicity** (mood changes, tremors, altered gait, facial muscle spasms)
- Lung toxicity (inflammation, pneumonia)
- Effects on reproductive system (loss of libido, impaired fertility in men)
- Developmental toxicity (reduced IQ)

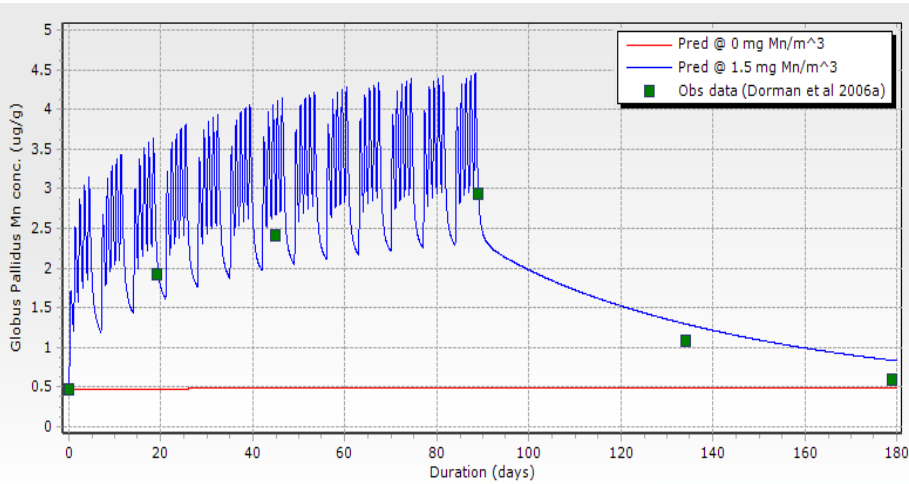
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Multi-route PBPK model for Manganese Tissue Kinetics in Adult Monkeys and Humans



Predicted Mn Concentrations in the Globus Pallidus of Monkeys Exposed to 0 or 1.5 mg Mn/m³ in air (6 h/d, 5 d/wk) and 133 ppm Mn in diet for 13 weeks (diet-only post-exposure up to 90 days)



Currently Available PBPK Models for Mn

- Rats (adult, pregnant, lactating, and neonatal)
- Nonhuman primates (adult)
- Human (adult, pregnant, lactating, and neonatal)

Metal Specific Exposure Assessment: Copper

AN EXPOSURE-RESPONSE CURVE FOR COPPER EXCESS AND DEFICIENCY

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Estimates and Assumptions in Assessing Copper Intake

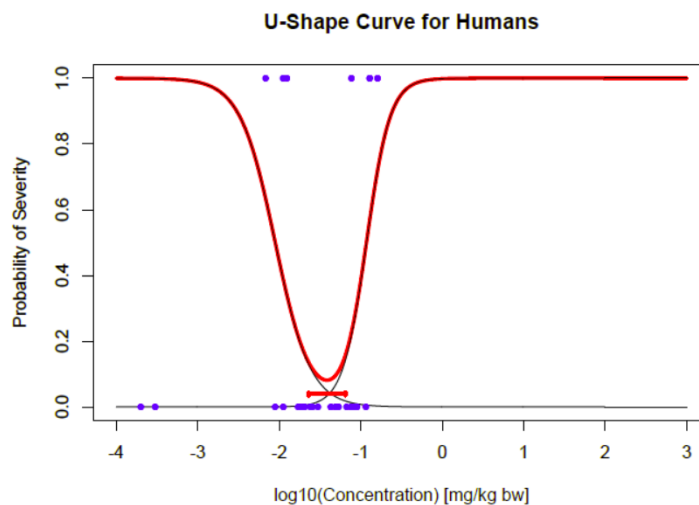
Ref (ID#)	Weight at T1 (kg)	Age at T1 (days)	Exposure T (days)	Weight at T2	Age at T2	Age at Midpoint (days)	Weight at Midpoint (kg)	Consumption Feed (g)	Consumption water (ml)
2	82.2	NA	42	NS/NA	NS	NA	82.2	NA	NA
2	61.3	NA	42	NS/NA	NS	NA	61.3	NA	NA
No need to estimate amount of copper in feed consumed – exposure was given via a capsule with copper content reported in milligrams per day. Weight and age is assumed to be constant.									
6	70	NA	84	NS/NA	NS	NA	70	NA	NA
Weight not given but assumed to be 70kg. No need to estimate amount of copper in feed consumed – exposure was given via a capsule with copper content reported in milligrams									
10	0.06	27	30	NS/NA	57	42	0.165	18	NA
Weight reported at onset, age and weight at mid-point estimated from Rohrer (1972) based on specie, strain and weight. Consumption of feed based on NAS (1972) estimates by specie, sex and weight.									
14	70	NS	28	NS/NA	NA	NS	70	NA	NA
Weight at onset assumed to be 70kg for adult male. Weight and age is assumed to be constant. Amount of copper consumed provided in the article.									
20	NS	21	7	NS/NA	28	24.5	69.26	9	NA
20	NS	21	14	NS/NA	35	28	79.86	12	NA
20	NS	21	21	NS/NA	42	31.5	99.68	15	NA
20	NS	21	28	NS/NA	49	35	119.5	16	NA
20	NS	21	35	NS/NA	56	38.5	139.34	17	NA
20	NS	21	42	NS/NA	63	42	159.17	18	NA
20	NS	21	105	NS/NA	126	73.5	325.84	20	NA
Animals reported as being in the weaning stage. Estimate of 21 days for the age of weaning rats taken from NAS (1969). Weight at midpoint estimated from Rohrer (1972) based on specie, strain and age. Consumption of feed based on NAS (1972).									

Chambers (2009), MSc Thesis, University of Ottawa

Seven Level Severity Scoring System for Copper Toxicity due to Excess and Deficiency

	Severity Score (<i>S</i>)	Physiological Response
DEFICIENCY	6	Death
	5	Serious irreversible gross deficiency
	4	Reversible gross deficiency
	3	Metabolic perturbation
	2	Early biological indicators of deficient Cu levels
	1	Homeostatic adaptations to low intakes
	0	No effect
	1	Homeostatic adaptation to high intakes
	2	Early biological indicators of accumulated Cu
EXCESS	3	Metabolic perturbation
	4	Reversible gross excess
	5	Serious irreversible gross excess
	6	Death

U-Shaped Dose-response Curve for Copper Toxicity due to Excess and Deficiency



*Optimal intake of copper is 2.73 mg/day
(95% CI: 1.54 – 4.58 mg/day)*

*Milton et al (2015),
submitted.*

Key Issues in Assessing Human Exposure to Metals

- Physical form (insoluble bauxite dust vs Al welding fumes)
- Chemical form (insoluble Al silicates vs highly soluble Al organics)
- Route of exposure and bioavailability (intravenous Al injection during kidney dialysis vs ingested baking powder)
- Target organ (inhaled bauxite particulates and emphysema vs systemic Al and adynamic bone disease)
- Substance-specific adjustment factors

Future Directions in Exposure Science

- NRC TT21C/EPA NexGen future risk assessment paradigms built on understanding of toxicity pathways, and HTS assays to detect pathway perturbations: *a concomitant shift in exposure science is needed to complete this transition:*
 - Biomarkers of exposure linked to toxicity pathway perturbations
 - High-throughput exposure assessment (biomonitoring and computational approaches)
 - *In vitro* to *in vivo* extrapolation (IVIVE) for dosimetric calibration of HTS assays
 - Human exposure guidelines based on biomonitoring equivalents (BEs)

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