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# TK and TD as a tools to support read across between chemicals and species

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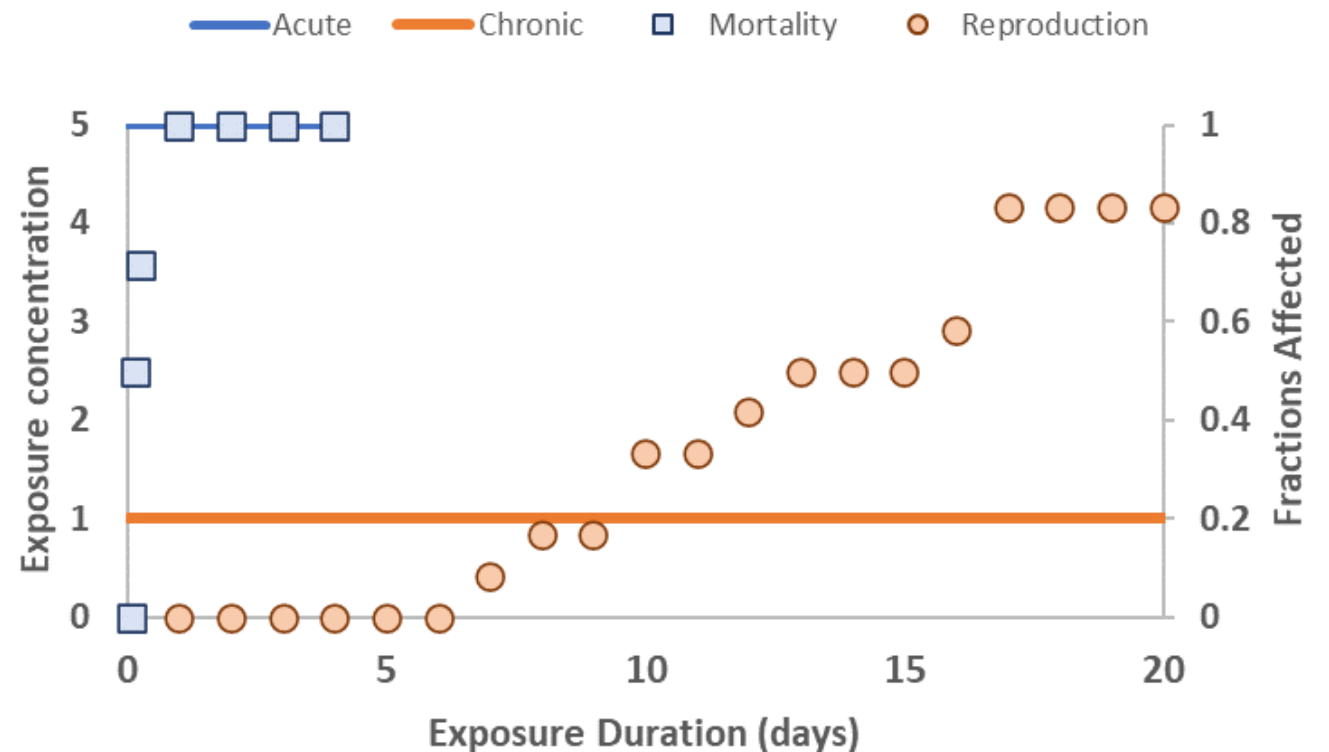
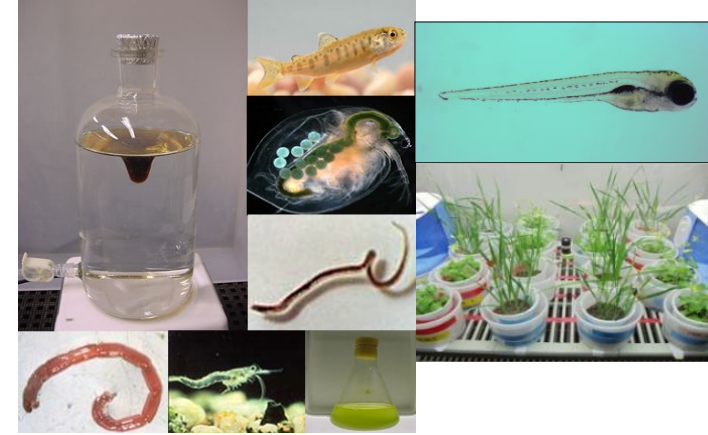
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# Outline

- 1) Need a common metric →  $C_{\text{free}}$  (e.g., the Fraction unbound)
- 2) Common **aquatic** bioassays and Exposure profiles
  - A) Primer in Ecotoxicity assessments, and Acute to Chronic extrapolations
- 3) Common **rodent** bioassays and Exposure profiles
- 4) TKTD provide basis for read across using  $C_{\text{free}}$
- 5) TD: Thresholds vs duration of exposure
- 6) Future work

# Aquatic toxicity testing

- Acute:
  - 2 to 4d with constant exposure
  - Test organisms are small and at equilibrium
  - LC50, or EC50:
    - Mortality, growth, reproduction
- Chronic:
  - 6-21d with constant exposure
  - EC10, or NOEC
    - Mortality, growth, reproduction, biomarkers, behavioural, etc



# Aquatic toxicity evaluation for transient exposures

- Pulsed and transient exposures require TK-adjusted LC50s

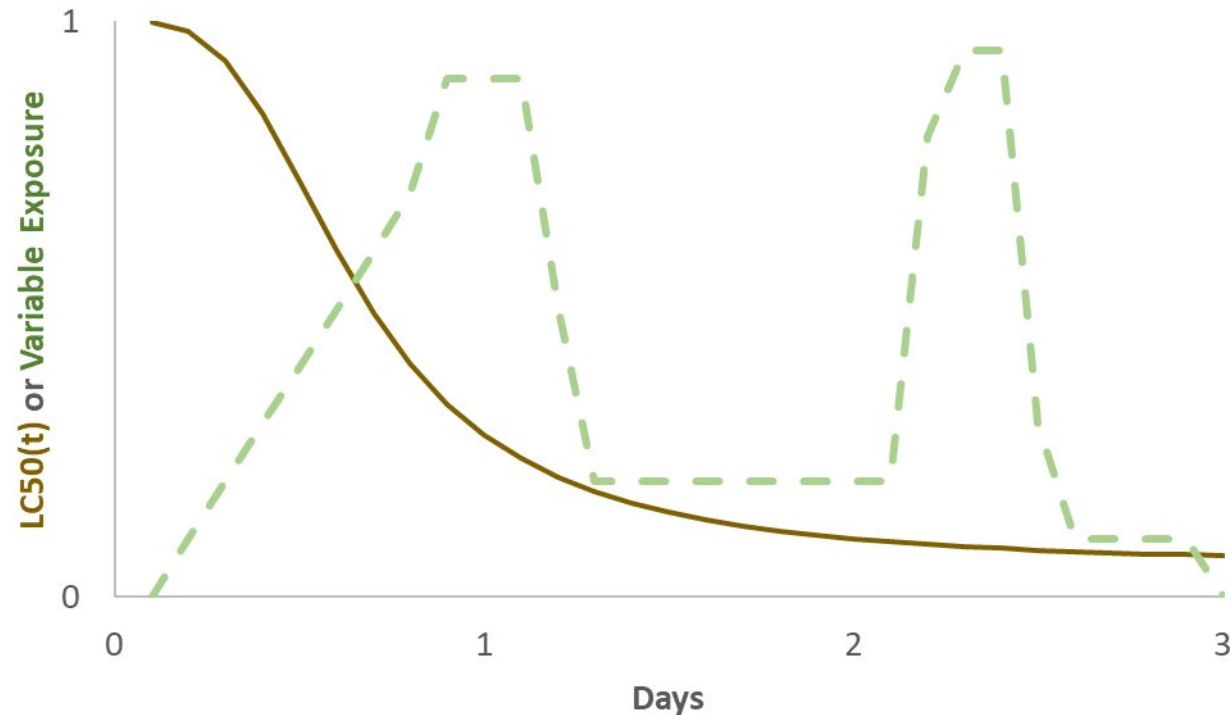
$$\text{Survival}(t) = \frac{1}{1 + \left[ \frac{C_L(0) (1 - e^{-k_e t})}{\text{LC50}} \right]^{\text{slope}}}$$

[Albert. \(2016\). <http://dx.doi.org/10.1371%2Fjournal.pcbi.1004978>](http://dx.doi.org/10.1371%2Fjournal.pcbi.1004978)

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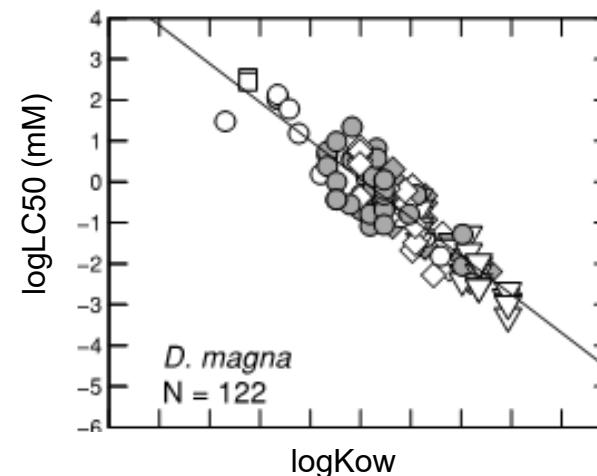
Redman et al 2023. <https://setac.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1002/etc.5476>



# Ecotoxicity assessments → species sensitivity distributions

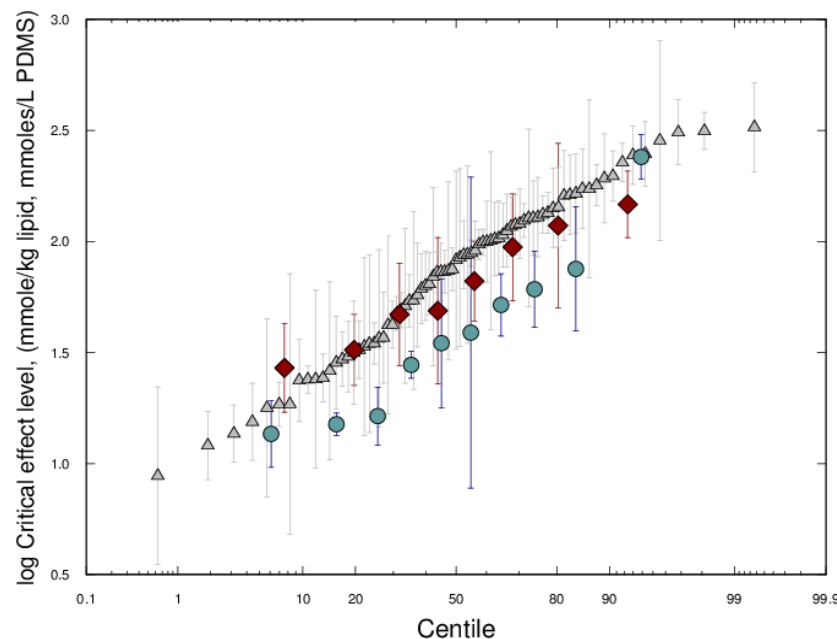
- QSAR
  - Data gap filling
  - Mixture Assessments
  - Converts aqueous exposures to internal exposure
    - **Critical Target Lipid Body Burdens (CTLBB, mmol/kg lipid)**
  - Within similar MoA
- Species sensitivity distributions (SSD)
  - Ranked toxicity of all species
  - Variance and Uncertainty
  - Basis for predicted no effect concentrations (PNEC)

$$\log LC50 = -0.94 \log Kow + \log CTLBB$$



McGrath et al 2018  
DOI: 10.1002/etc.4100

Redman et al 2018  
<https://pubs.acs.org/doi/abs/10.1021/acs.est.8b00614>





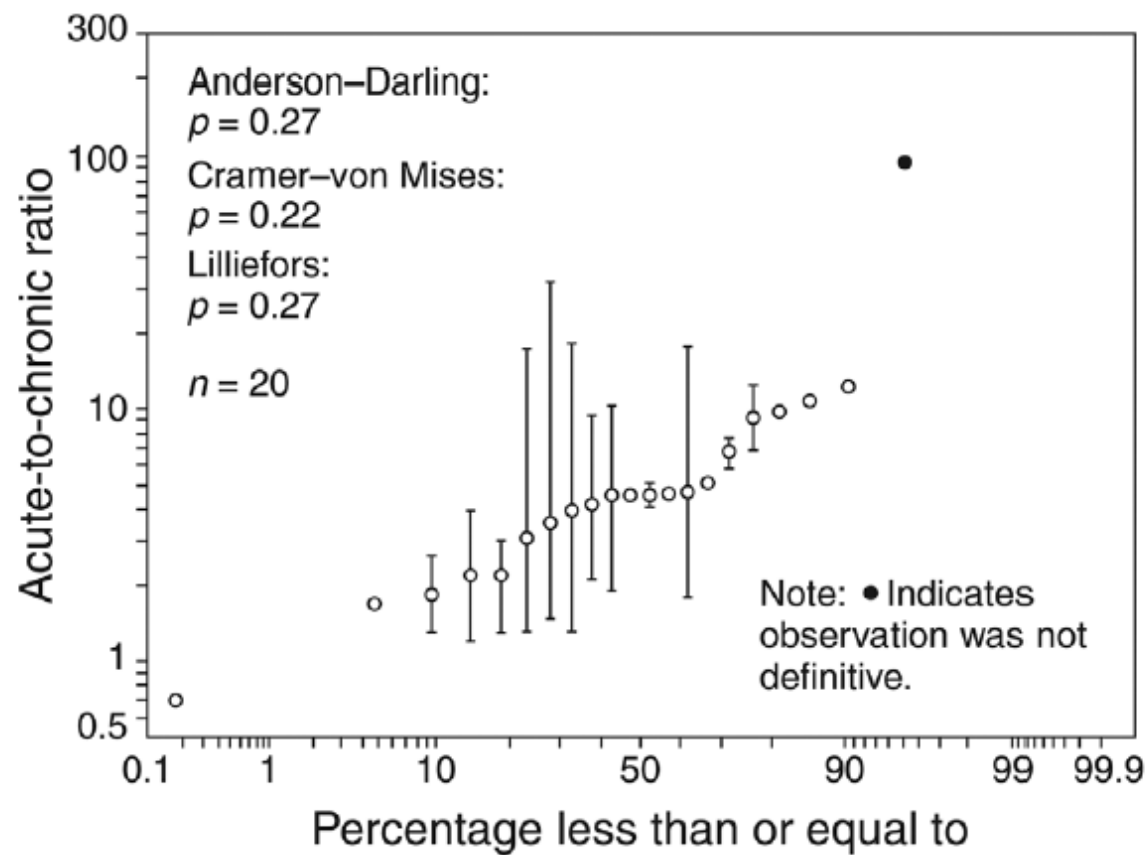
# Ecotoxicity assessments: Acute to Chronic Ratios

- Acute to Chronic Ratios where chronic data are limited

$$\text{ACR} = \text{LC50} / \text{NOEC}$$

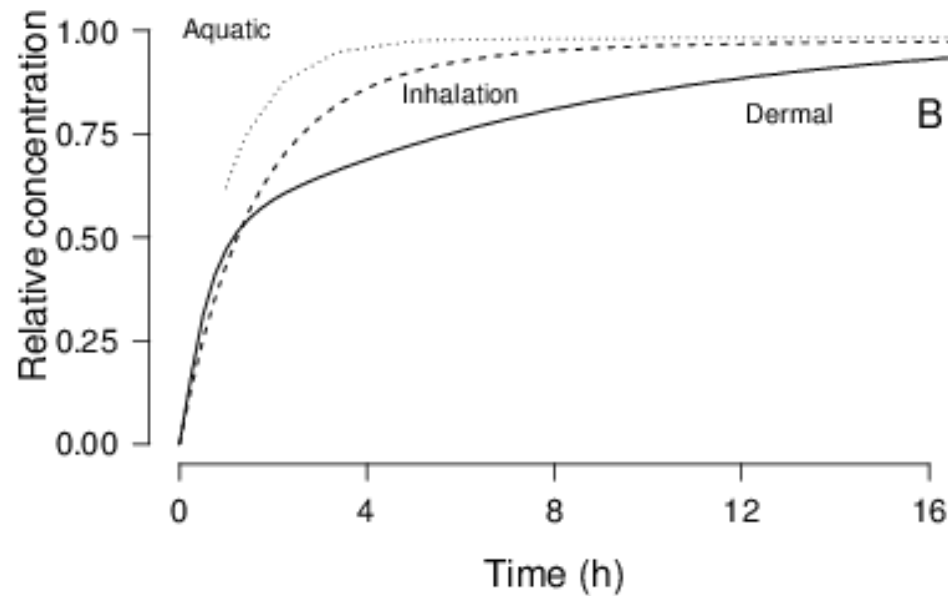
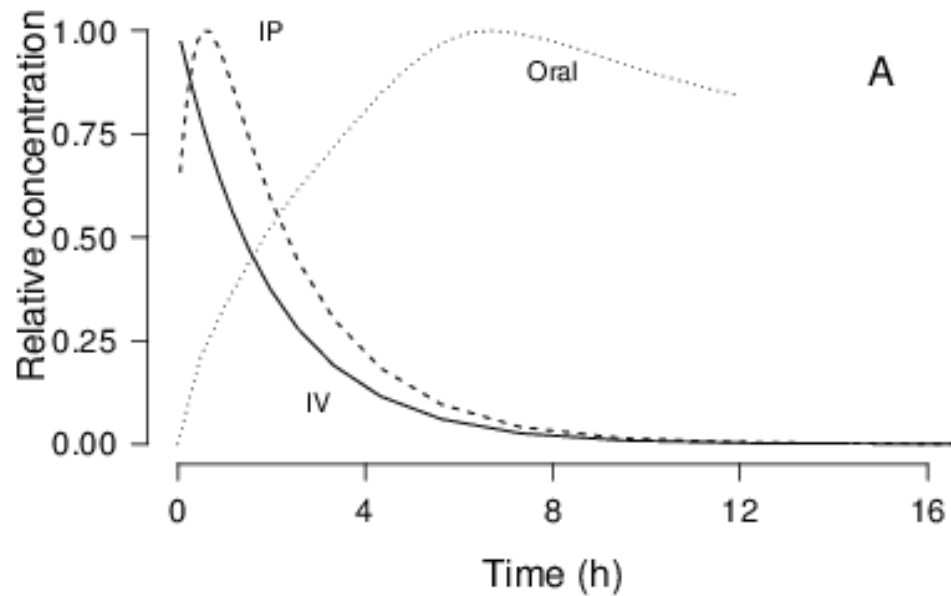
median ACR = 5

- PNEC based on Chronic effect data

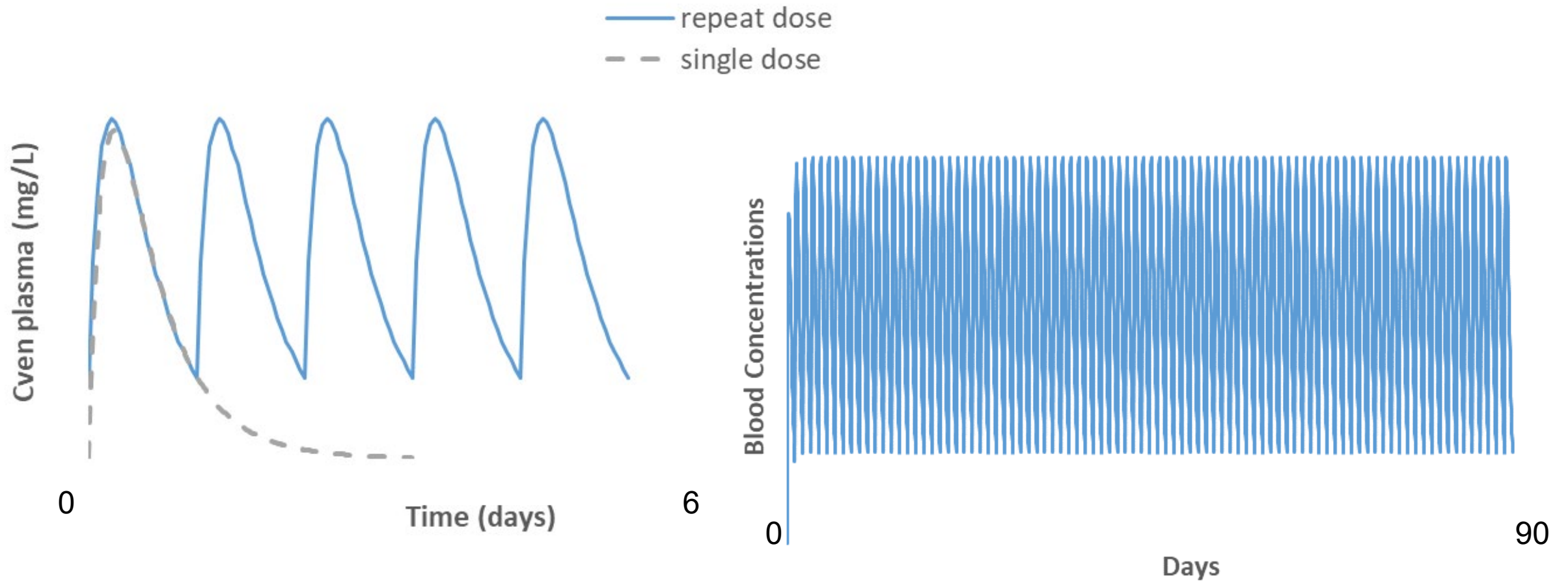


# Rodent toxicity testing: single dose testing

- Different routes of administration result in very different internal exposure profiles



# Rodent toxicity testing: repeat dose testing

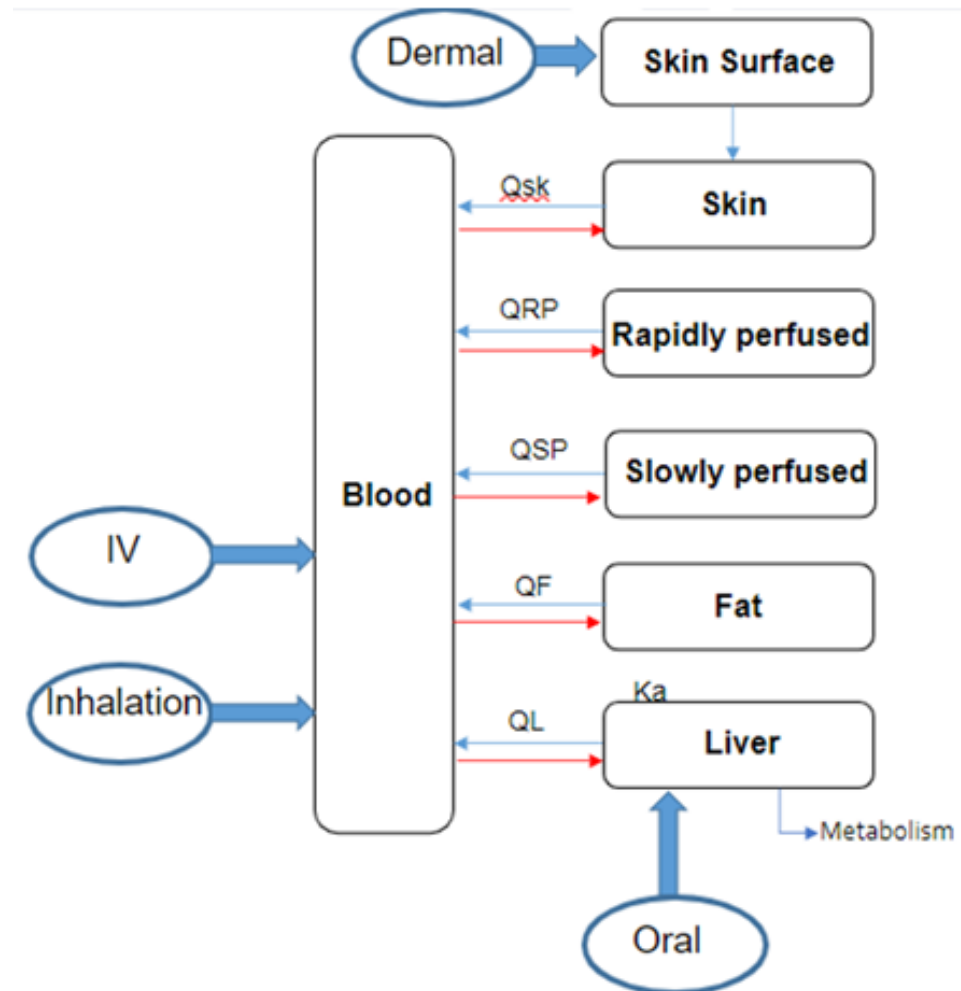




# Fraction unbound (or $C_{\text{free}}$ ) as a common exposure metric

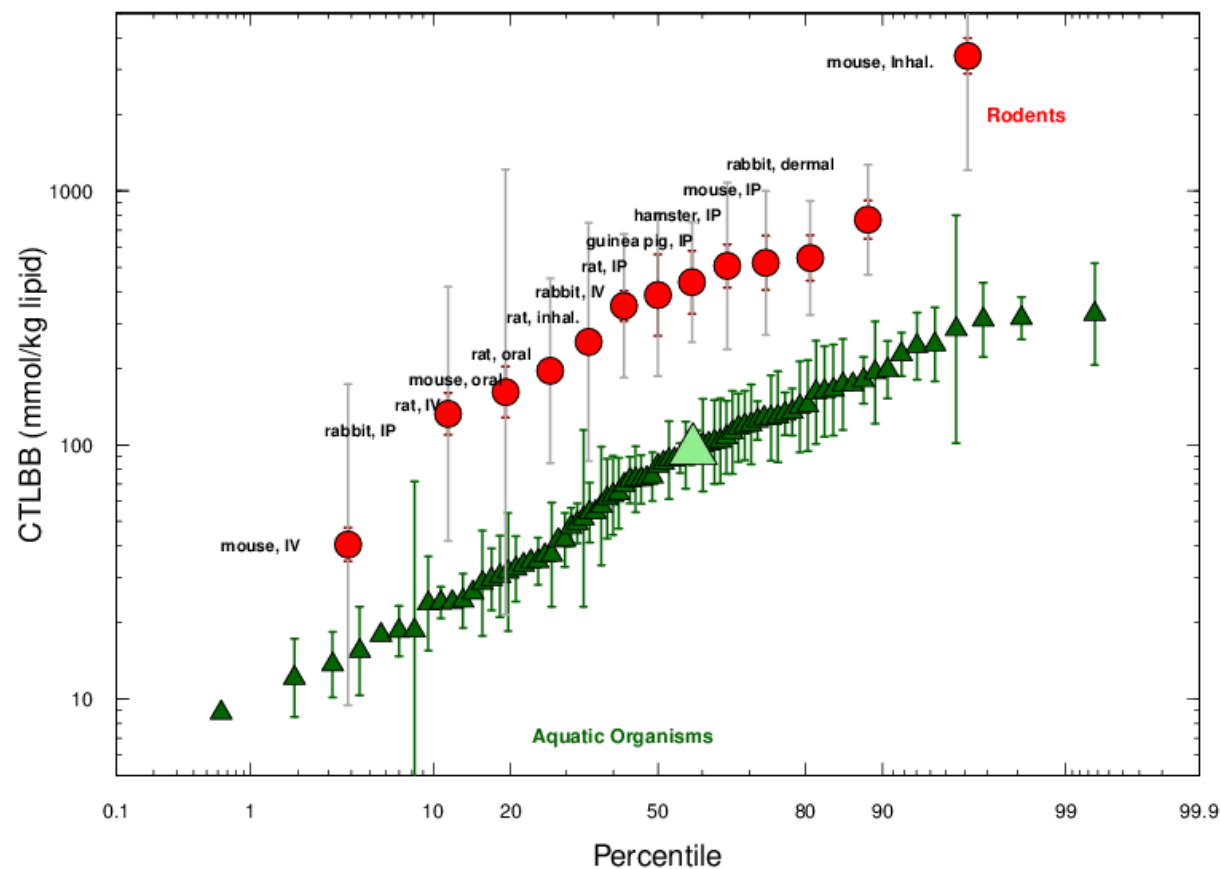
- $C_{\text{free}}$  ( $f_{\text{ub}}$ ) is the basis of many PBPK approaches
- $C_{\text{free}}$  ( $f_{\text{ub}}$ ) is often assumed to be the most bioavailable form

$$C_{\text{tissue}} = K_{\text{tissue-water}} C_{\text{free}}$$



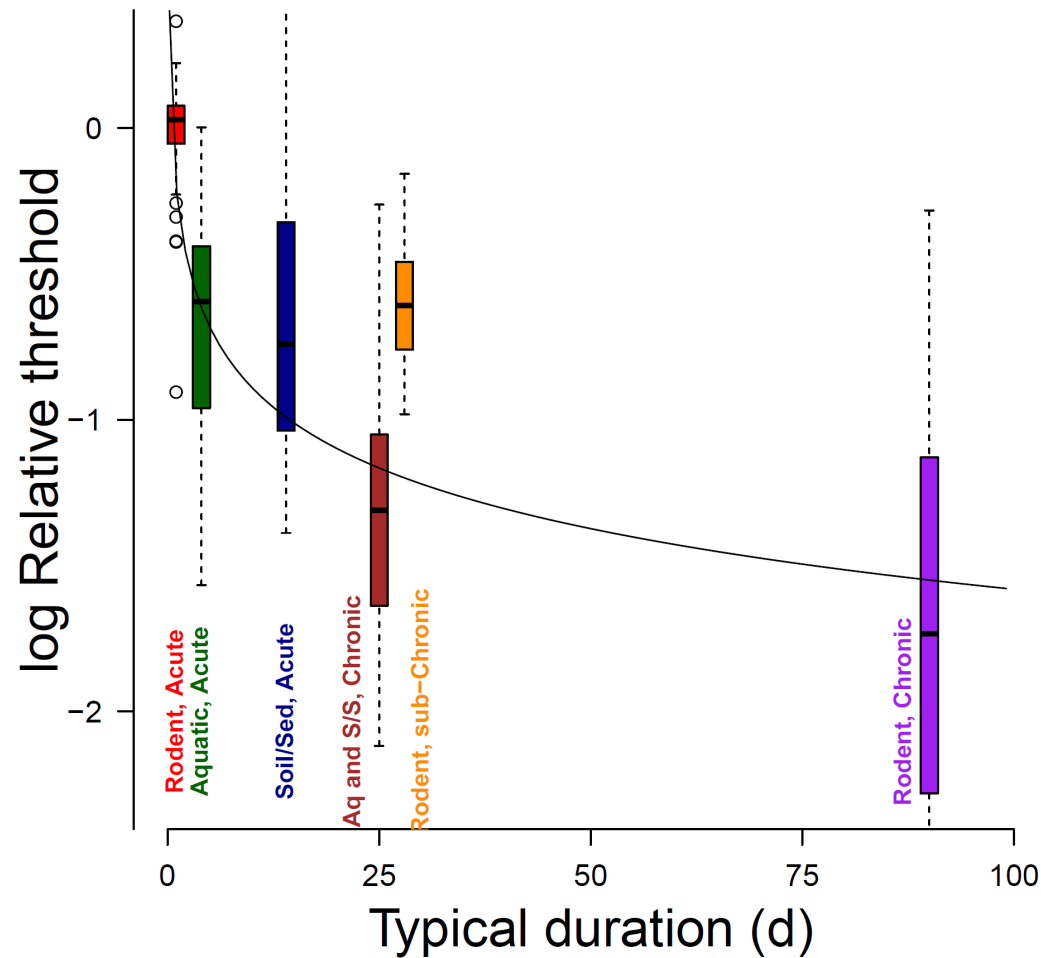
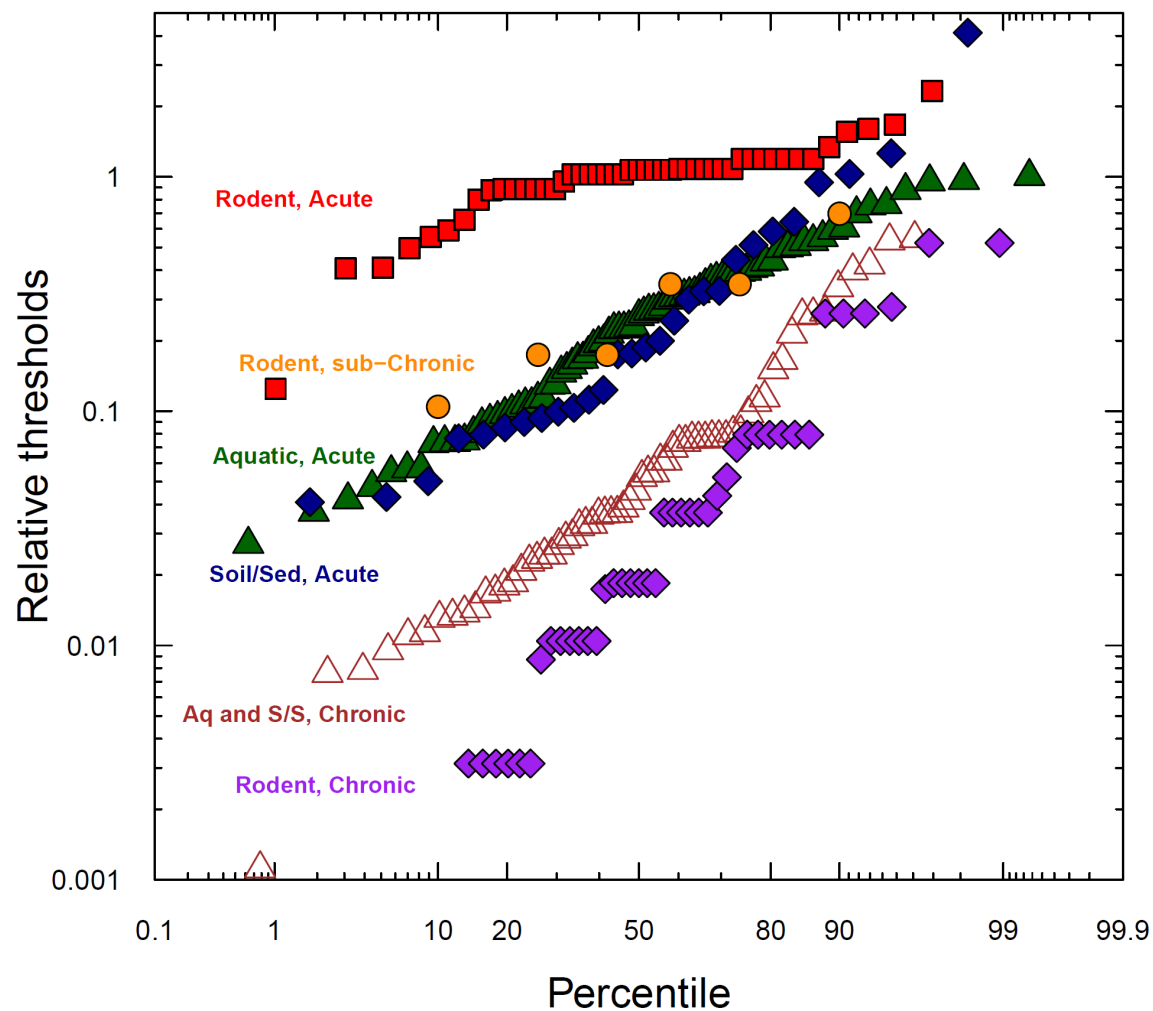
# Comparison of Ecotox and Mamtox thresholds using $C_{\text{free}}$

- LD50s converted to CTLBB using  $C_{\text{max}} \times f_{\text{ub}}$  and  $\log K_{\text{ow}}$ 
  - 6 routes of administration
  - 5 rodent species
- Common basis for comparison to aquatic CTLBBs
  - Rodent CTLBB are higher than Aquatic CTLBB due to duration of exposure



Redman et al unpublished

# Change in Toxicity thresholds vs exposure duration



# Considerations for *in vitro*

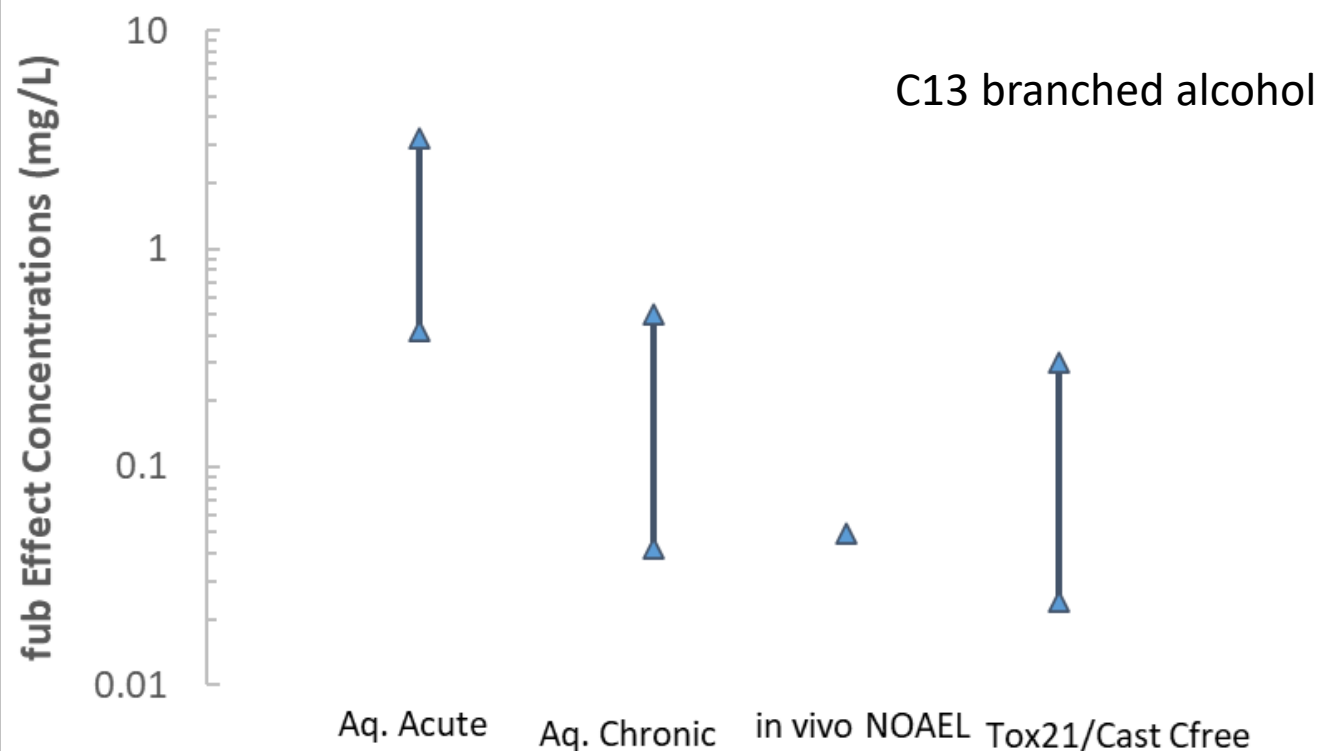
- General workflow (e.g., data from ToxDashboard)
  - Correct for fraction unbound
    - Serum-rich systems affect the chemical speciation
    - Exposures can be short (2-24h) so may need to adjust for kinetics
  - Evaluate the laboratory notes
    - because many of the chemicals volatilize out and result in no effects
  - Compare the  $C_{\text{free}}$  (AC50<sub>free</sub>) to the other datasets.
  - Estimate CTLBB using modeling approaches
  - Compare the CTLBB to the SSD approach

Armitage et al 2014

<https://pubs.acs.org/doi/abs/10.1021/es501955g>

Fisher et al 2017

<https://pubs.acs.org/doi/abs/10.1021/acs.chemrestox.7b00023>



# Future work

- Expand TKTD Rodent to Aquatic analysis to chronic endpoints
- Validate exposure metrics ( $C_{max} * f_{ub}$ ) as basis for read across between species and chemicals
- In vitro to in vivo extrapolation
  - Thresholds vs exposure time
  - Exposure methods
  - Applicability domain
- Apply to high throughput safety assessments (e.g., EPA httk + exposure modeling)
- Extend to UVCBs and super hydrophobic substances

# Backup