



# **Assessing Generated *In Vitro* Toxicokinetic Data of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) with *In Vitro-In Vivo* Extrapolation (IVIVE)**

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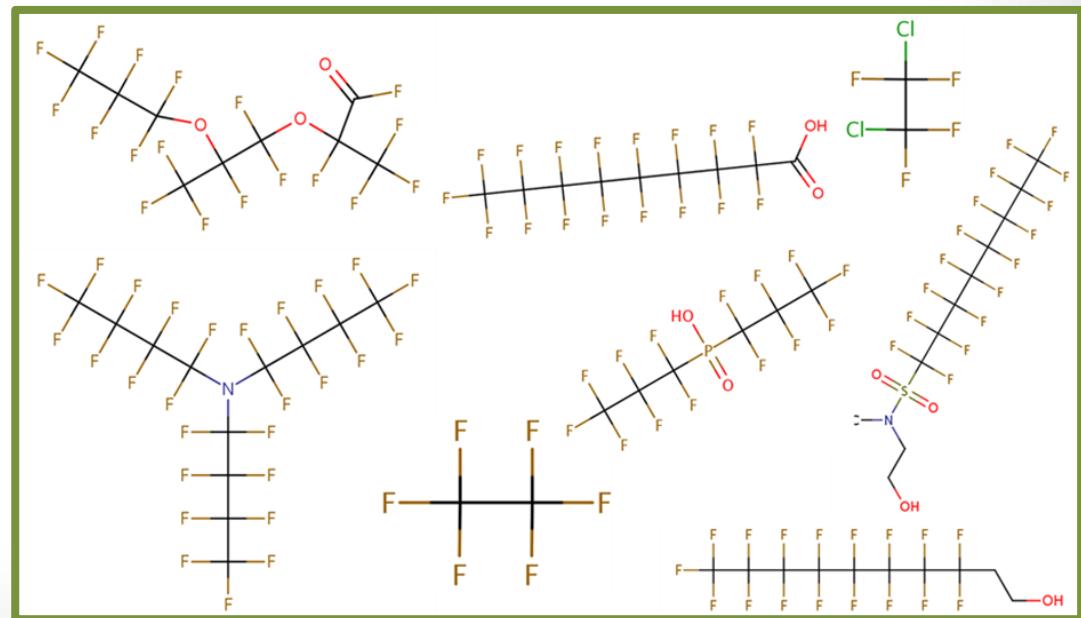
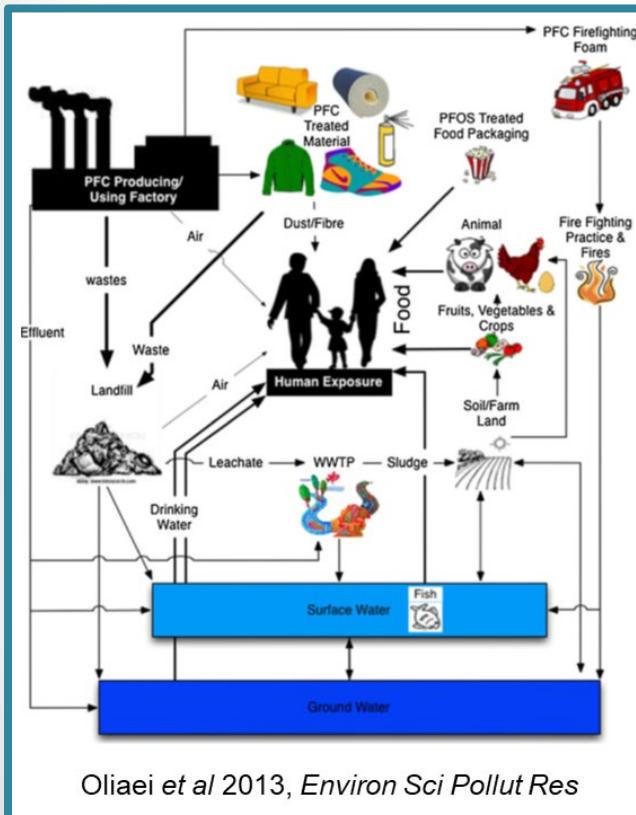
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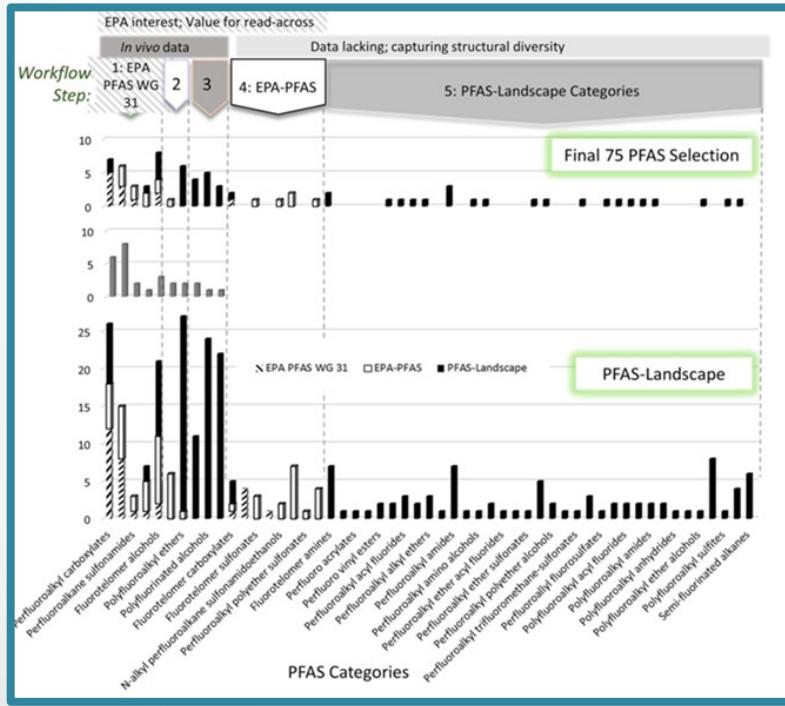


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- Concerns and exposure...
  - **Widespread:** PFAS in 97% of American population, even in arctic polar bears
  - **Persistence:** carbon-fluorine bonds are some of the strongest with little degradation in environment
  - **Bioaccumulative:** absorption > elimination
  - **Abundance:** number will expand with industrial production
    - 6648 PFAS-like structures identified on Dashboard
    - 1223 PFAS on TSCA inventory; 602 currently in use in USA

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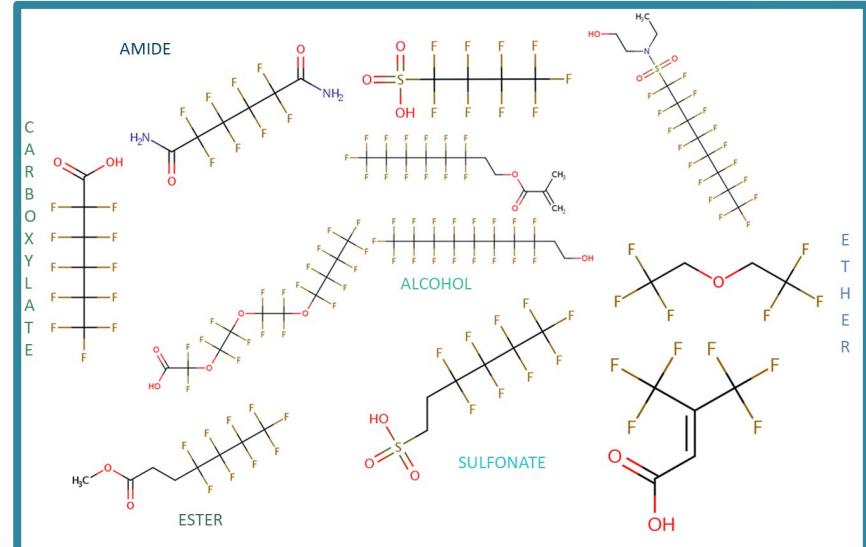
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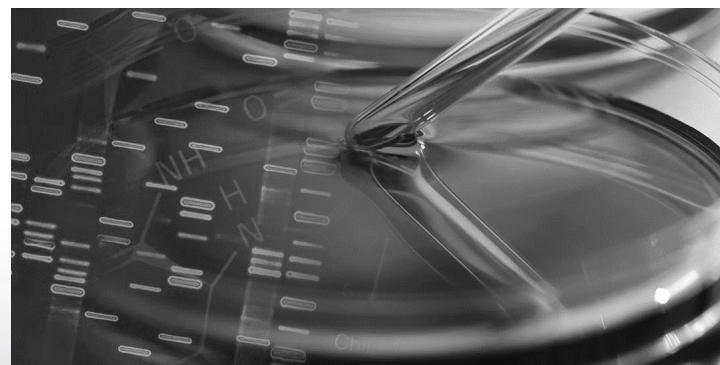
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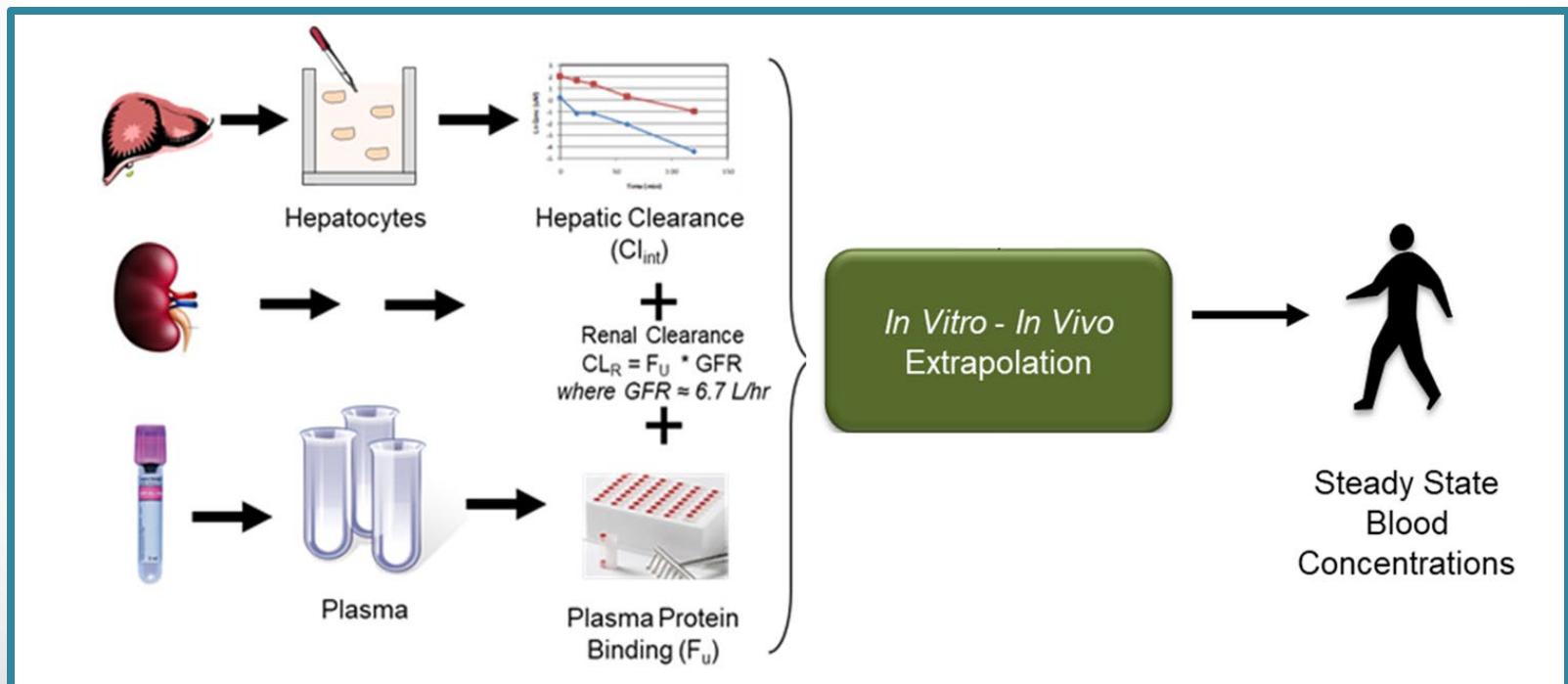


# PFAS of Interest for Evaluation

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- A range of targeted and tiered high-throughput toxicity assays employed to serve as a guide for potential human health risk
  - New approach methodologies (NAMs) incorporated – alternative test methods and strategies to reduce, refine, and/or replace mammalian animals
  - Endpoints: hepatotoxicity, immunotoxicity, developmental toxicity, mitochondrial toxicity, *in vitro* toxicokinetics

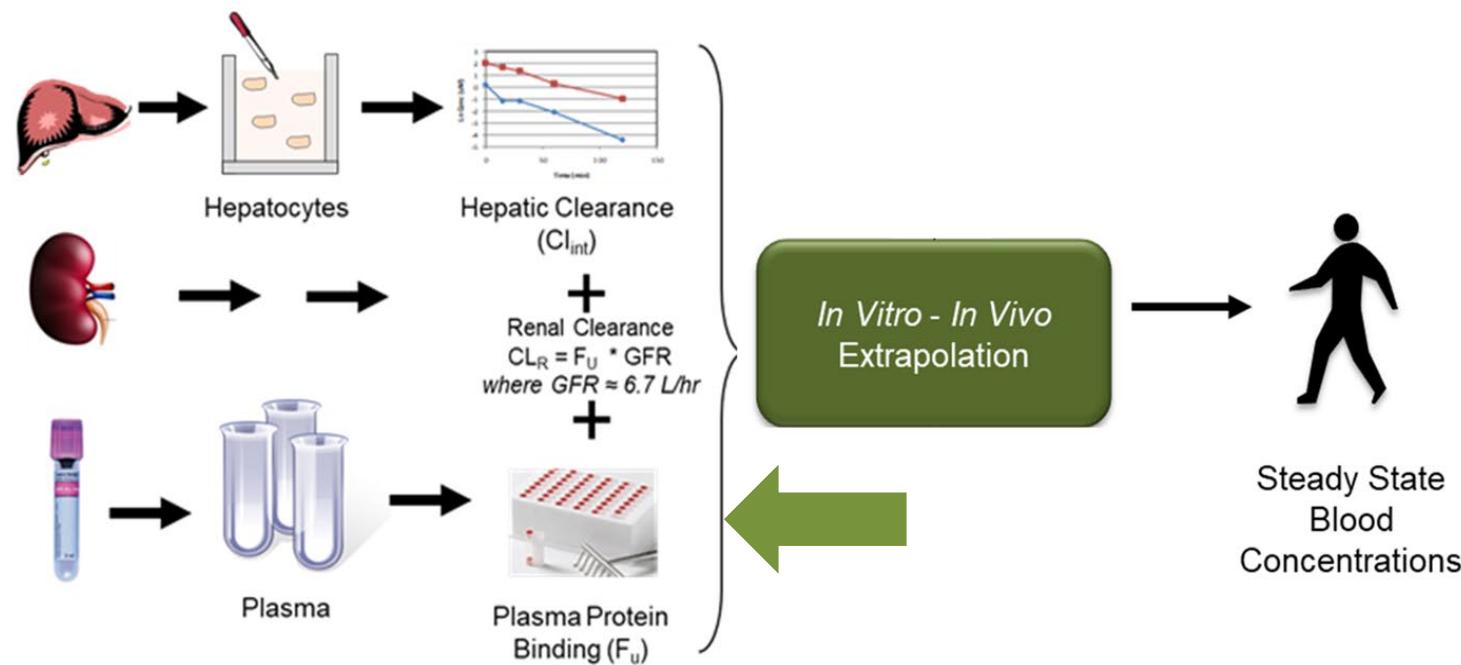
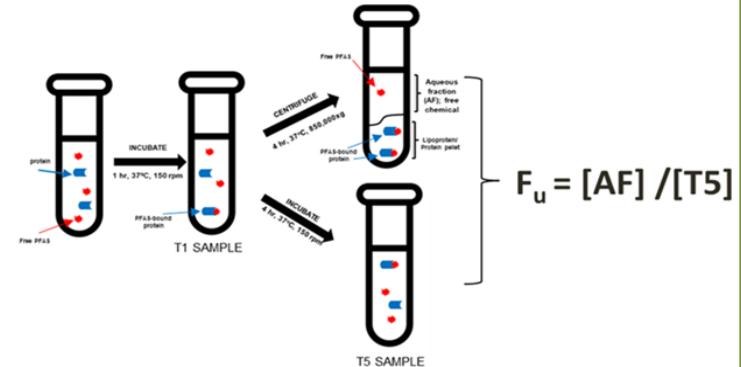


- Toxicokinetics (TK): the study of how a substance gets into the body and what happens to it in the body
  - Can be used to look at how chemicals move throughout the body and lead to harmful effects
  - Often viewed as a function of dose over time

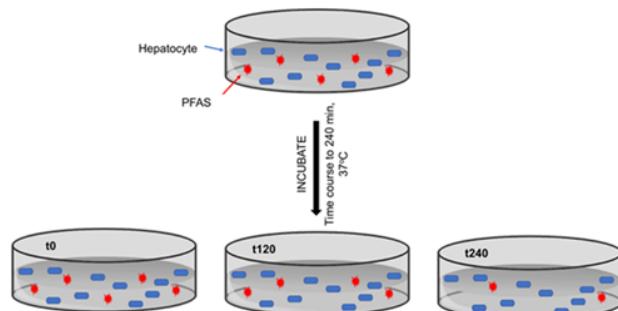


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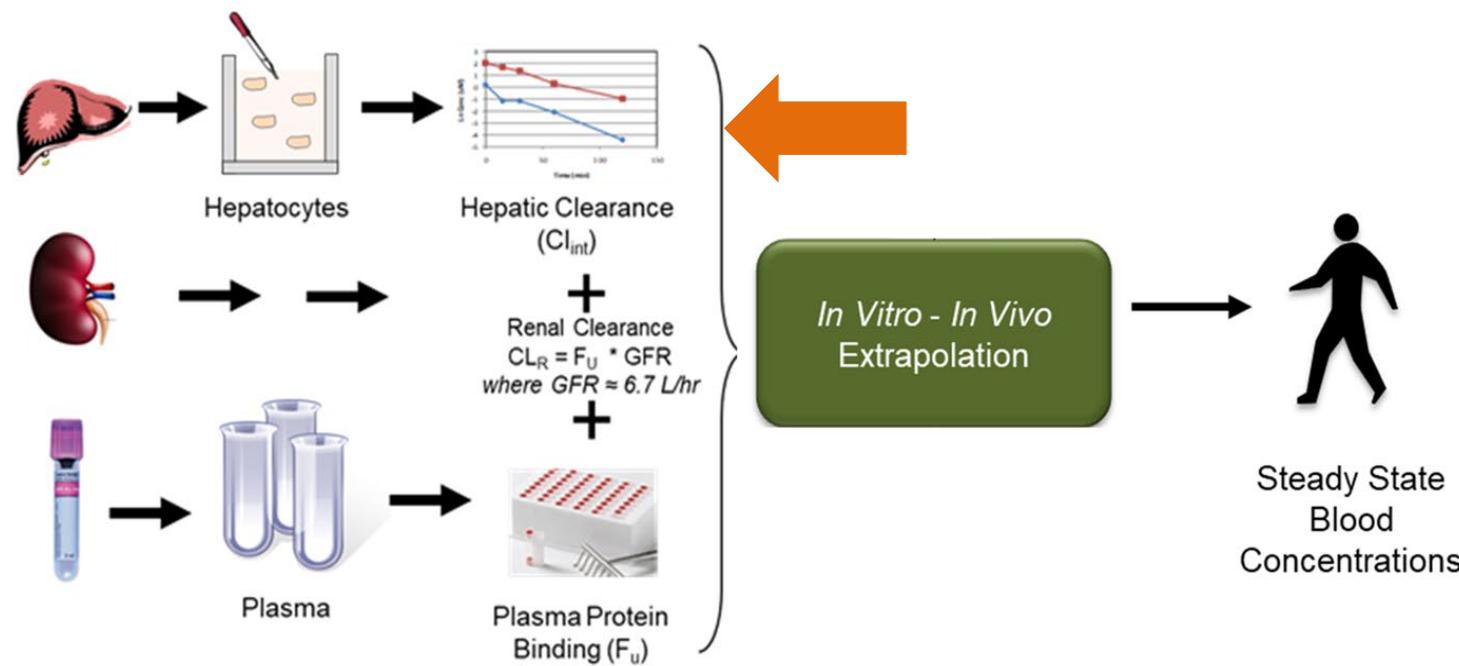
- Assay to assess the free (unbound) fraction [ $F_u$ ] of chemical to proteins within the blood
- Unbound molecules permeate through cell membranes to reach 'target'
- Ultracentrifugation assay used
  - Human plasma (10-donor pool, mixed sex) centrifuged to separate aqueous fraction from albumin, lipoproteins, and fatty acids
  - Mixtures of up to 4 PFAS (10  $\mu\text{M}$ ) were included with each plasma sample, run in triplicate



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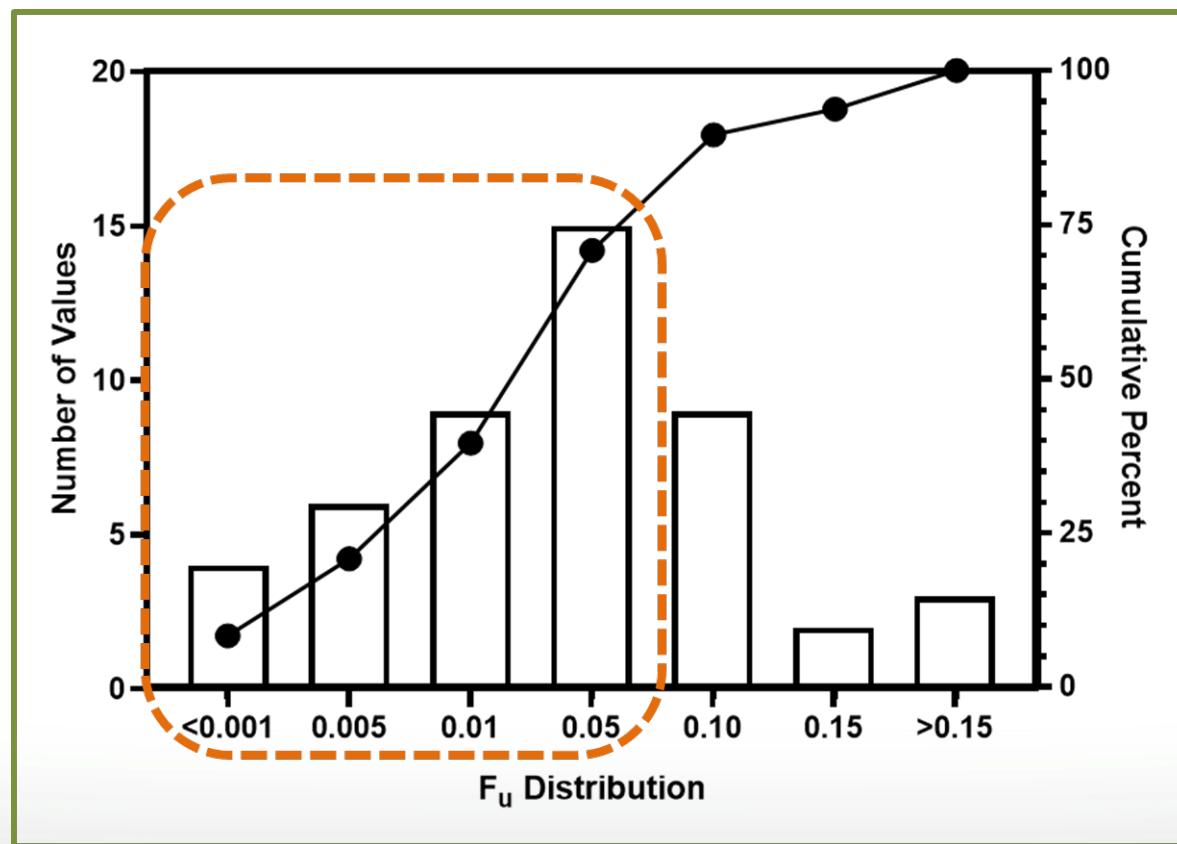


- Hepatic clearance ( $CL_{hepatic}$ ) is measure of the rate of elimination of a chemical from the liver
- Models to study metabolism include human liver microsomes, recombinantly expressed enzymes, and hepatocytes
- Substrate depletion approach using primary human hepatocytes (50-donor pool, mixed sex) at 1  $\mu$ M PFAS concentration
  - Time course: 0, 15, 30, 60, 90, 120, and 240 min
  - Work completed by collaborator at National Toxicology Program [David Crizer]

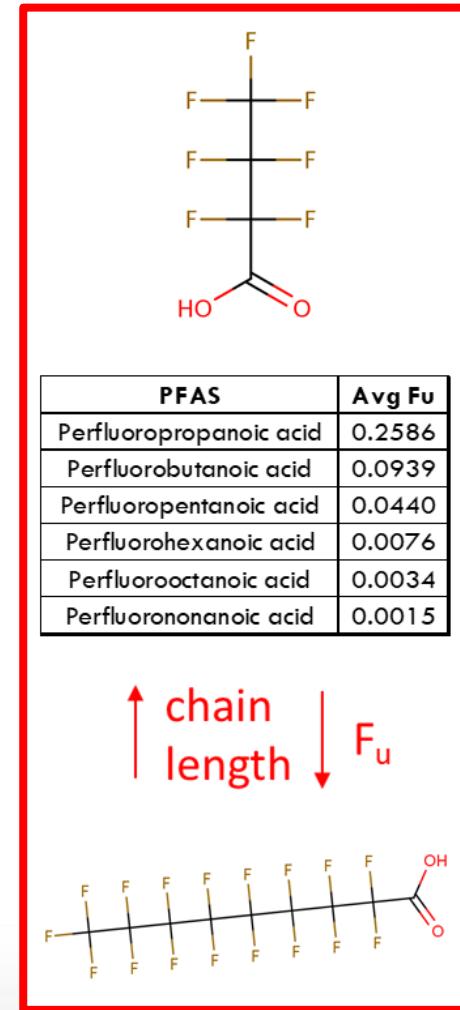
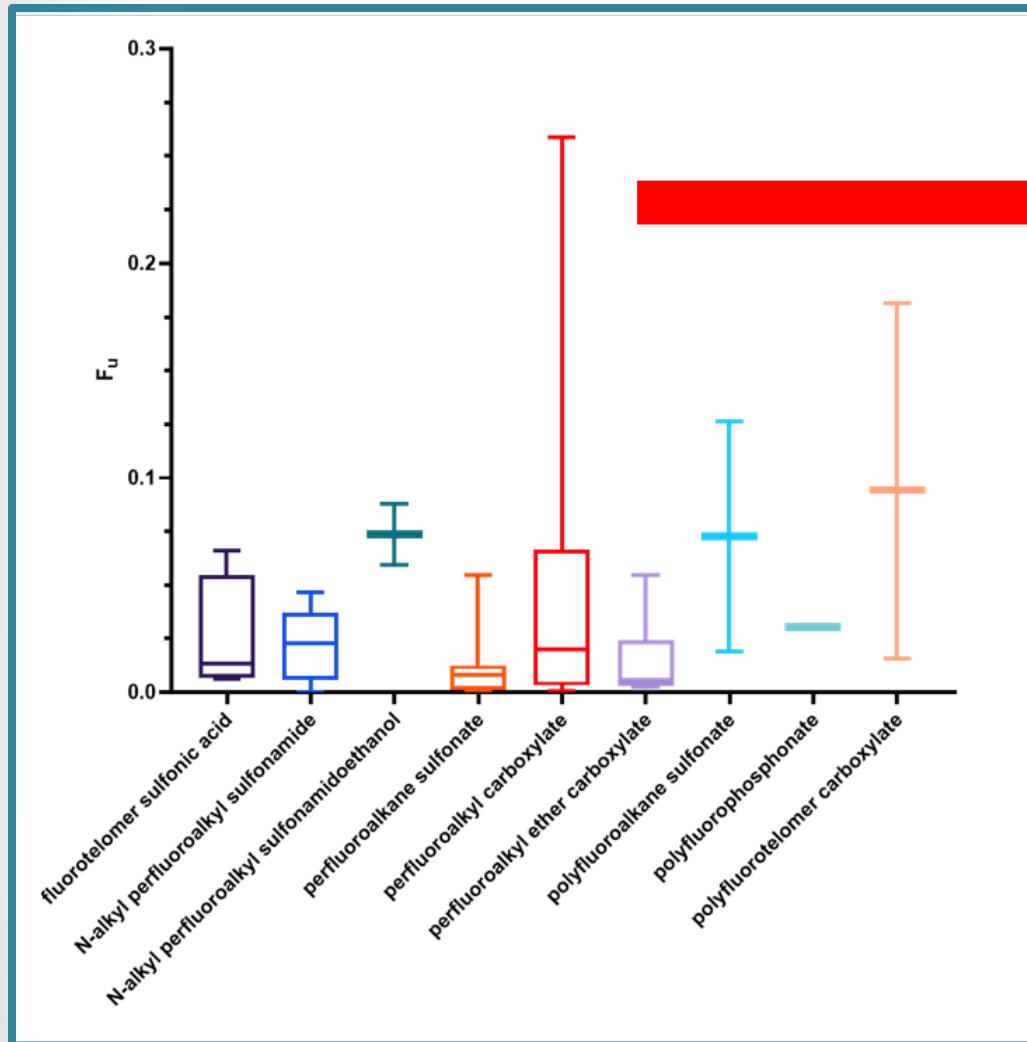


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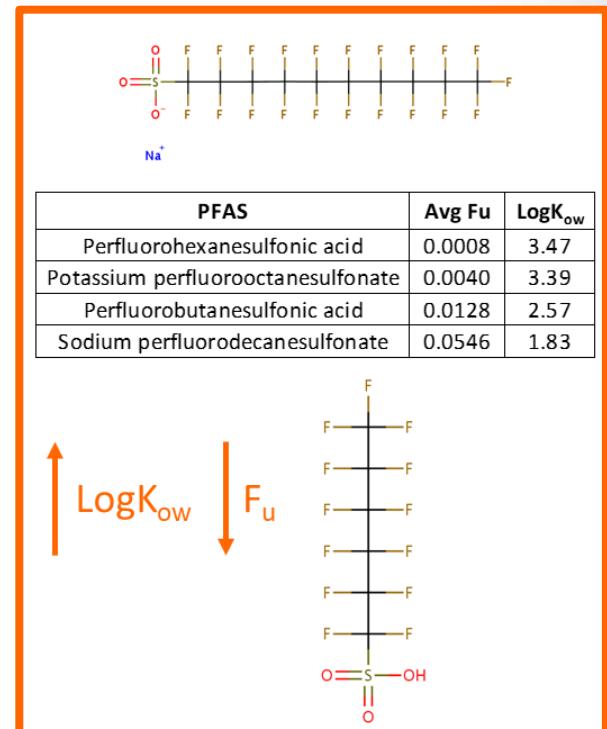
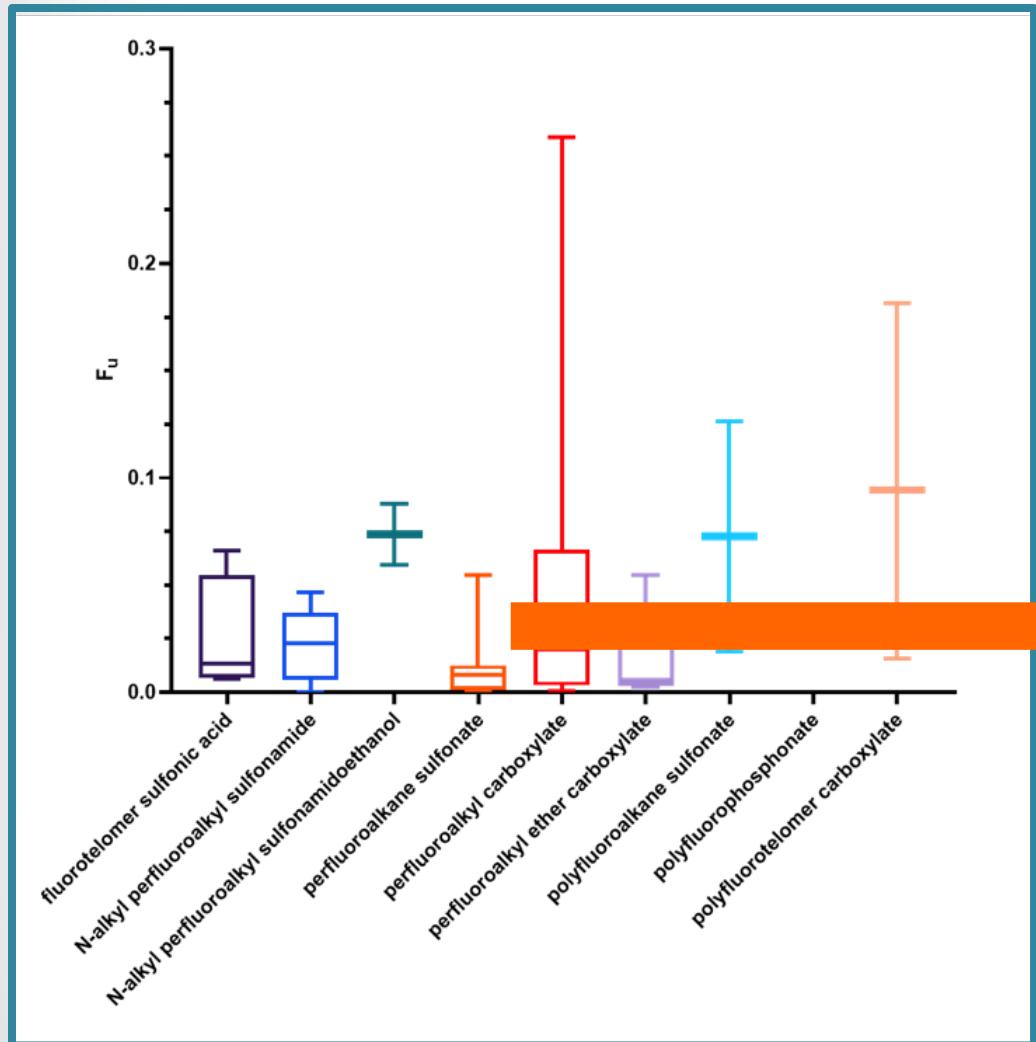
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- $F_u \downarrow$  plasma protein binding  $\uparrow$



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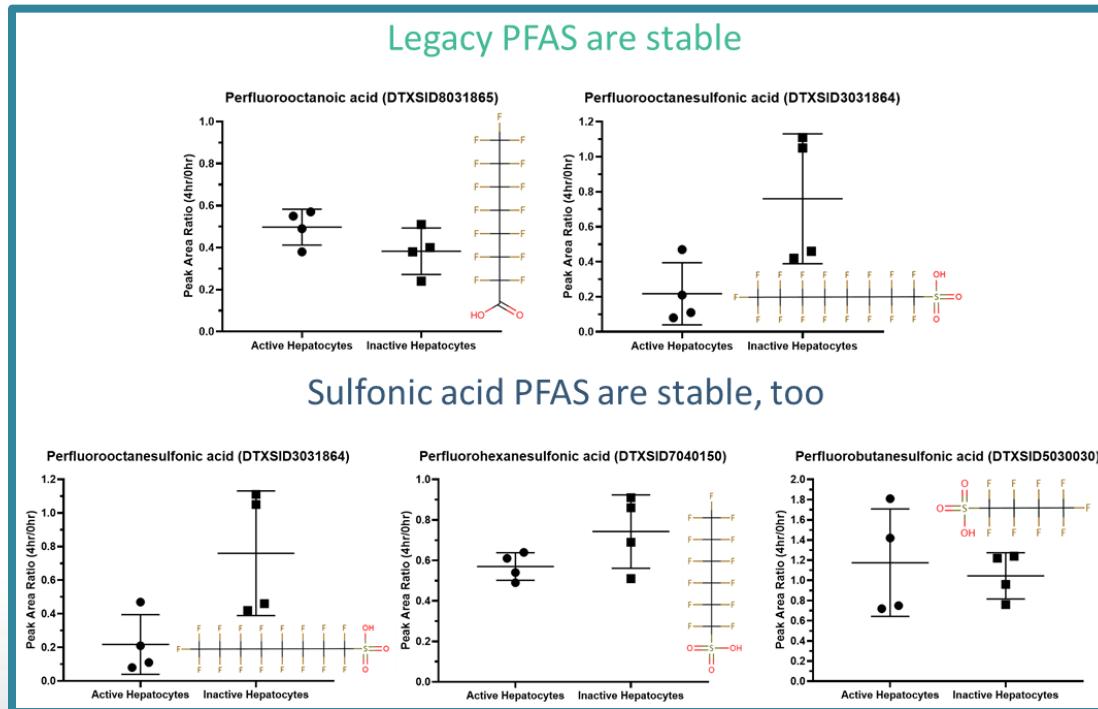
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## 1) *In vitro hepatic clearance screen*

- 0 and 4 hr time points for active and inactive hepatocytes measured
- Ratio of 1 indicates no loss over time (no clearance)



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## 2) Metabolic stability time course

- 0, 0.25, 0.50, 1, 1.5, 2, 4 hr time points
- Non-linear fit to determine half-life ( $T_{1/2}$ )

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N-Ethylperfluorooctanesulfonamide	57	1.22E+01
3-(Perfluoro-2-butyl)propane-1,2-diol	35.87	1.93E+01
Perfluoro-3,6,9-trioxatridecanoic acid	29.71	2.33E+01
Nonafluoropentanamide	25.45	2.72E+01
3,3-Bis(trifluoromethyl)-2-propenoic acid	19.77	3.51E+01
4:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonic acid	17.5	3.96E+01
Octafluoroadipamide	12.8	5.41E+01
Perfluoropentanamide	10.63	6.52E+01
N-Methylperfluorooctanesulfonamide	10.17	6.81E+01
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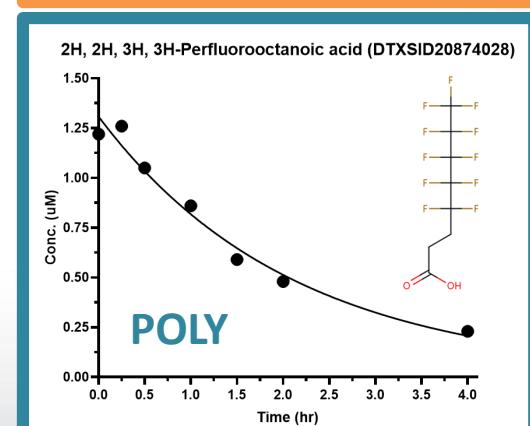
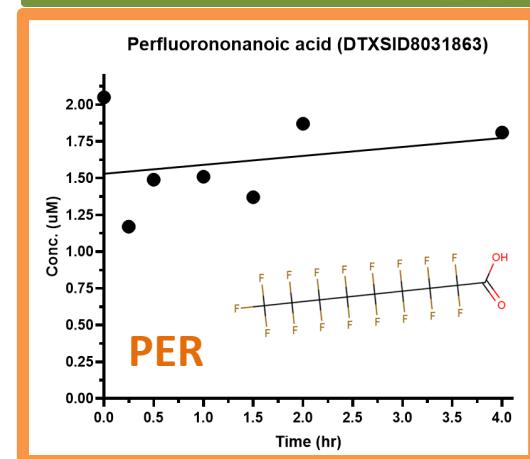
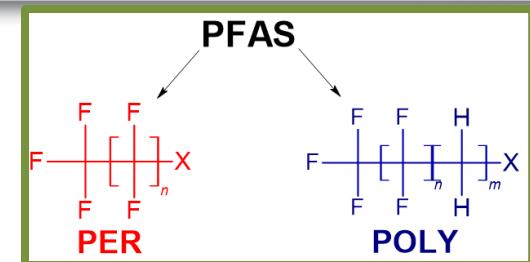
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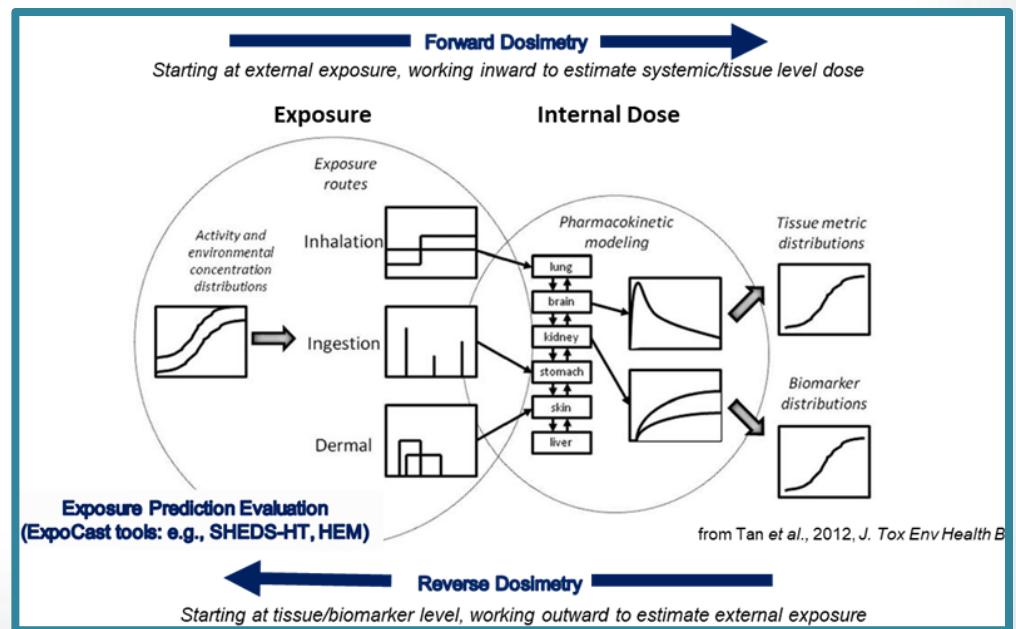


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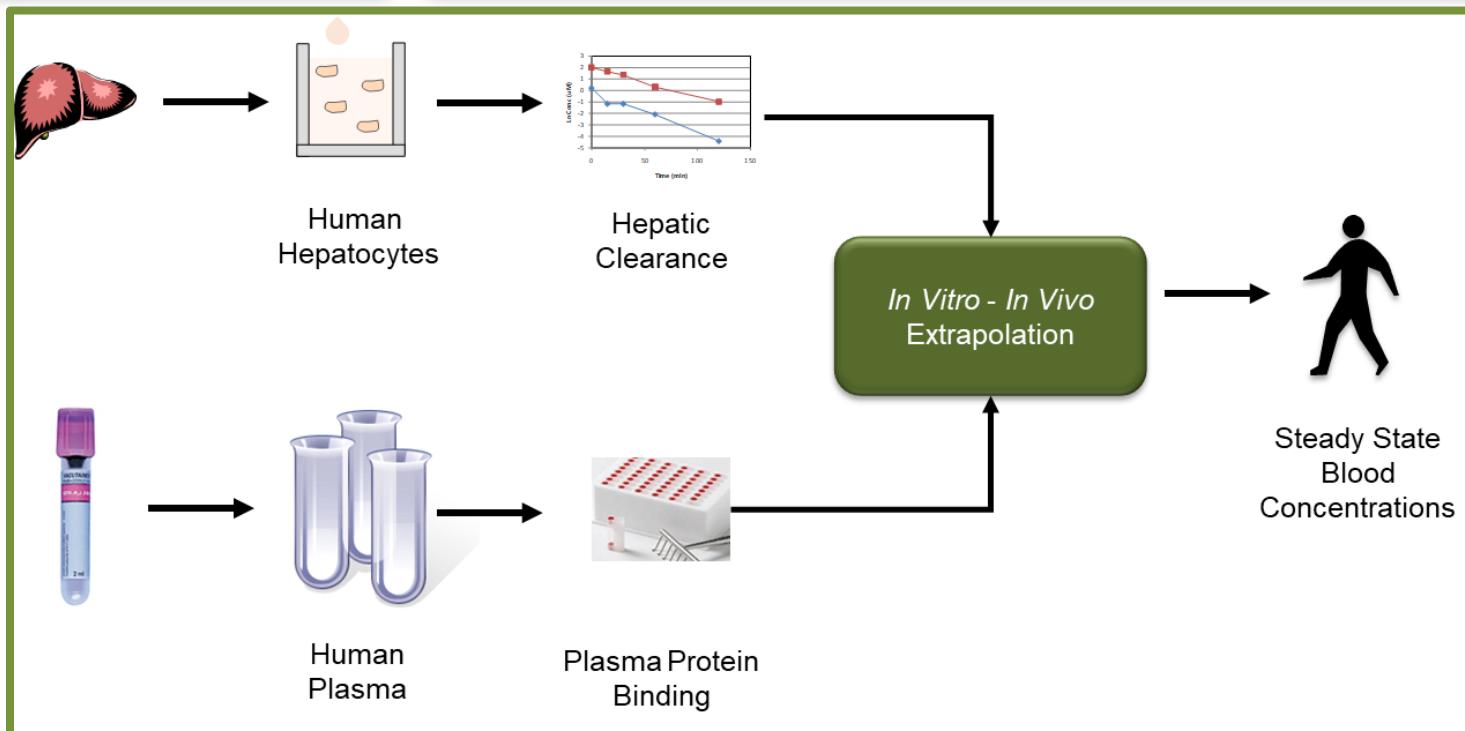
- *In vitro-in vivo extrapolation (IVIVE)*

- Model approach that allows *in vitro* data to be extrapolated to estimate corresponding *in vivo* effects
- Tissue/biomarker level determination → estimate external exposure

- Steady-state concentration ( $C_{ss}$ )
- Concentration of compound in body that stays consistent
- Includes plasma protein binding and hepatic clearance data



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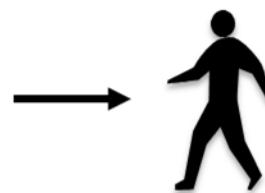


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## Assumptions

Exposure at 1 µg/kg/day

Linear kinetics

100% oral bioavailability

$$\text{CL}_R = F_U * \text{GFR}$$

where GFR ≈ 6.7 L/hr

$$\text{CL}_H = \frac{F_U * Q_L * \text{CL}_{\text{Int}}}{Q_L + F_U * \text{CL}_{\text{Int}}}$$

where  $Q_L \approx 90 \text{ L/hr}$

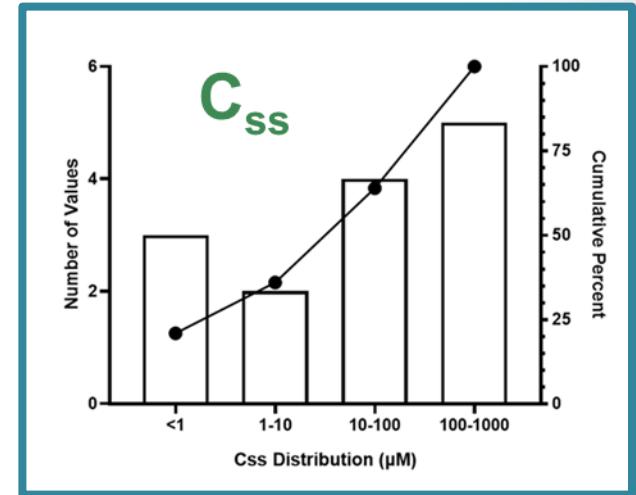
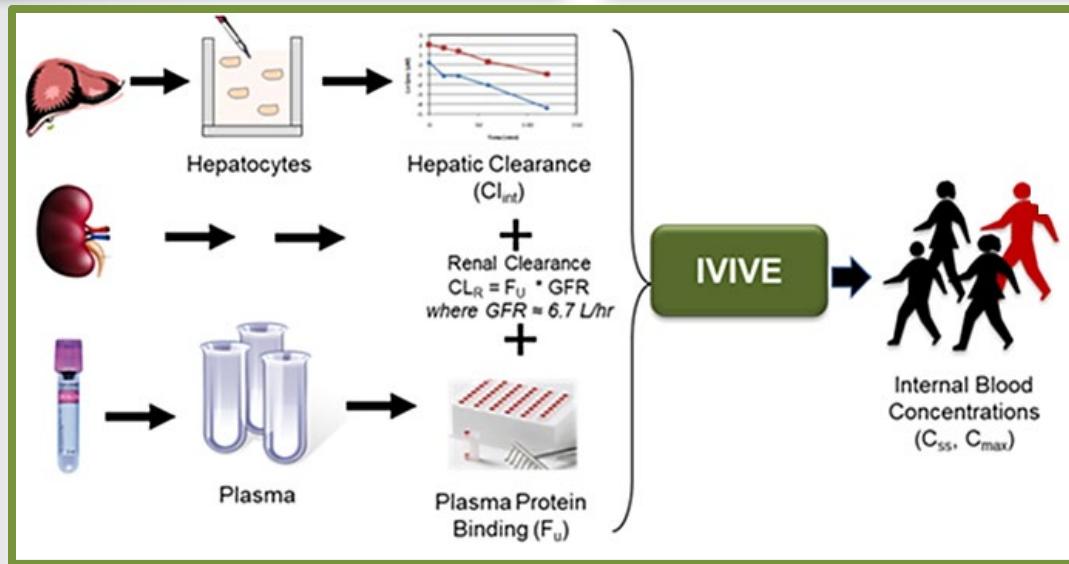
$$\text{CL}_{\text{Int}} = \text{HPGL} * V_L * \text{CL}_{\text{invitro}}$$

where  $\text{HPGL} \approx 137 \text{ million cells/g}$

$V_L \approx 1820 \text{ g}$



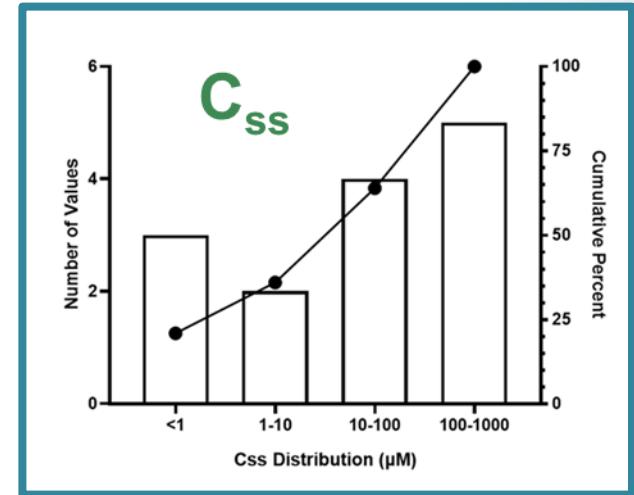
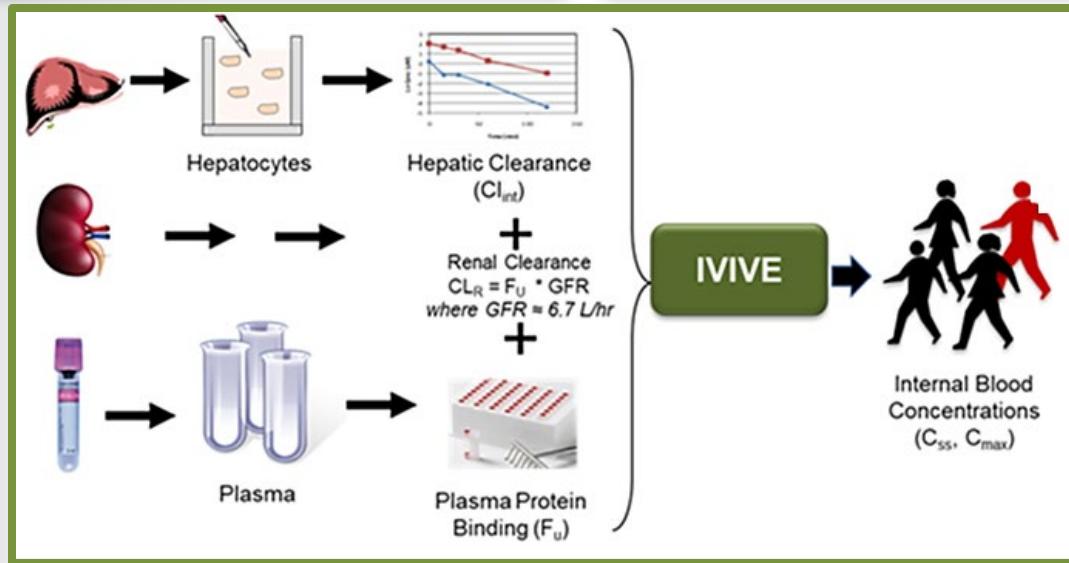
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Ammonium perfluoroctanoate	0.0014	0.0094	1.16E-04	713.7360
Perfluorononanoic acid	0.0013	0.0088	8.33E-03	368.6974
Perfluorohexanoic acid	0.0076	0.0507	2.33E-04	183.6569
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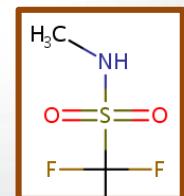


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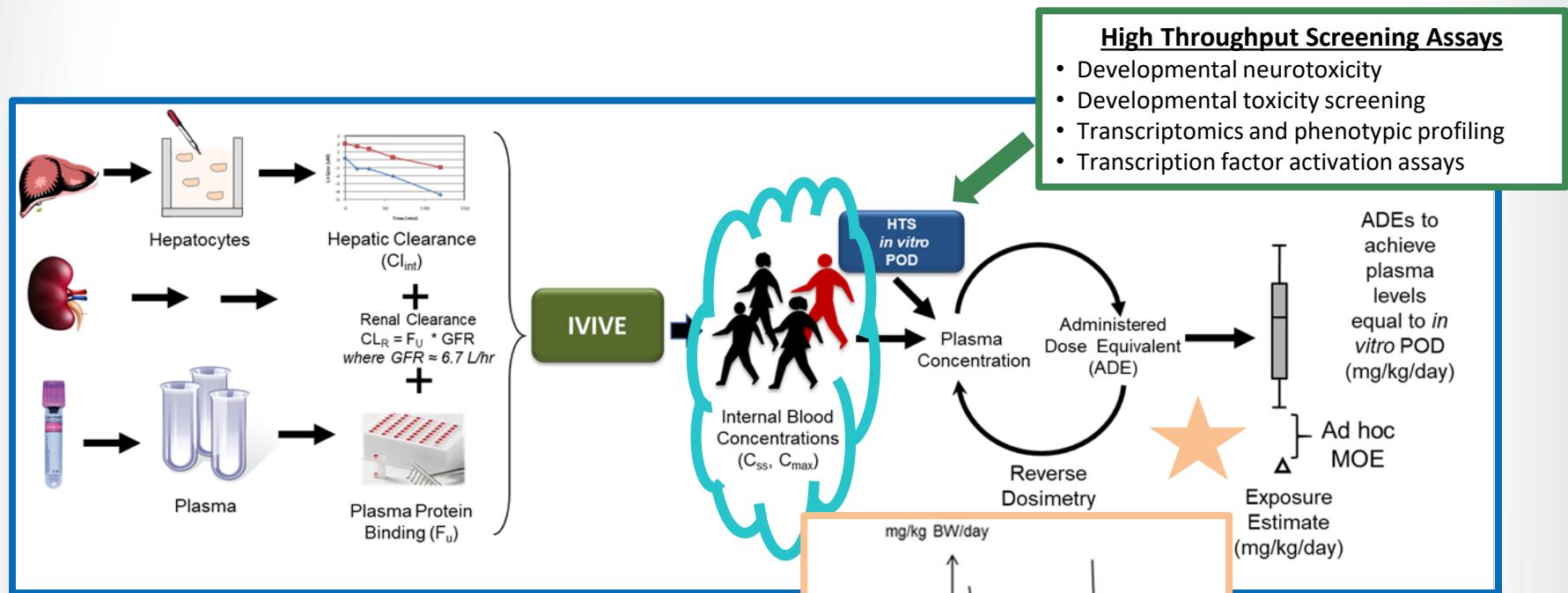


A table listing compound names,  $F_u$ ,  $Cl_{renal}$  (L/hr),  $Cl_{hepatic}$  (L/hr), and  $C_{ss}$  ( $\mu\text{M}$ ) for various PFAS compounds.

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# PFAS Finding Application and Summary



Generated PFAS data along with human exposure information will assist in informing human health risk assessment and subsequent testing



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## PFAS *In Vitro* Toxicokinetic Data Generation Summary

- Experimental *in vitro* toxicokinetic data ( $F_u$  and  $Cl_{hepatic}$ ) are being measured on over 120 PFAS for use in IVIVE modeling
- Plasma protein binding data indicate high binding rates, with 75% exhibiting  $F_u$  values from 0.001 – 0.05
- Assuming an external exposure of 1 mg/kg/day,  $C_{ss}$  predictions ranged from 0.16-895  $\mu\text{M}$ , with a median value of 23.29 mM
- Continuing data generation for additional PFAS and toxicokinetic assays for bioavailability, metabolite identification, and renal reuptake

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