Lab. 2

## AUC CALCULATION- ORAL

## What is AUC?

- Area under the conc. curve (AUC) is a measure of the total systemic exposure of a drug
- AUC can be calculated from concentration-time data
- It is primary pharmacokinetic parameter as it is can be obtained only from plasma data.



## Area Under Plasma Concentration-Time Curve:



Linear Plot of Cp versus Time showing AUC and AUC segment

## IMPORTANCE of AUC

* Toxicology : Measure of drug exposure
- Biopharmaceutics : Comparison of drug products in BA/BE studies

Pharmacokinetics : Measure of Pharmacokinetic parameters e.g. Clearance, BA.


## IMPORTANCE of AUC



## Calculation of AUC



## Cut And Weigh Method

* Plot the plasma profile vs time on graph paper
* Cut the curve drawn carefully
* Require an analytical balance
* The weight of this cut portion is W1
* Weight of whole graph paper is W2
* Area of whole paper = AUC2



## Cut And Weigh Method

* Area= length $X$ width
* AUC1/W1 = AUC2/W2
* For example if:
$\checkmark$ AUC2 $=200 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{hr} / \mathrm{ml}$
$\checkmark \quad W 1=800 \mathrm{mg}$
$\checkmark \quad W 2=3000 \mathrm{mg}$
* Then:
$\checkmark$ AUC1 $=[(200)(800) / 3000]=$ $53.33 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{hr} / \mathrm{ml}$
* Units Y axis $\mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{ml}$ and X axis is Hours so area is $\mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{Hr} / \mathrm{ml}$



## Trapezoidal rule

| Trapezoid |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Is four sided figure with two parallel sides |  |
| Steps |  |
| $\checkmark$ | Dividing whole AUC into trapezoidal |
|  | segments |
| $\checkmark$ | Counting the area of each segments |
|  | separately |
| $\checkmark$ | Summation of all the area to get the |
|  | Total area |

## Types of AUC





## Trapezoidal rule

- We can calculate the AUC of each segment if we consider the segments to be trapezoids




$$
A \cup C 2-3=\frac{C_{p} 2+C_{p} 3}{2} x \quad(t 3-t 2)
$$

## Calculation of first \& last Segment

- The first segment can be calculated after determining the zero plasma concentration CpO by extrapolation, while Final segment can be calculated from t last to $t$ infinity.

$$
\mathrm{AUCO}-1=\frac{\mathrm{Cpo}+\mathrm{Cp} 1}{2} \times \mathrm{t} 1
$$

$$
\mathrm{AUC}_{\mathrm{t}_{\text {lest }}-\infty}=\int_{\mathrm{t}=\mathrm{t}_{\text {lest }}}^{\mathrm{t}=\infty} \mathrm{C} p \cdot \mathrm{dt}=\frac{\mathrm{C} p_{\text {last }}}{\mathrm{kel}}
$$



## Total AUC

Total AUC

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{AUC}_{0-\infty}= & \mathrm{AUC}_{0-1}+\mathrm{AUC}_{1-\text { last }}+\mathrm{AUC}_{\text {last }-\infty} \\
= & \frac{C p_{0}+C p_{1}}{2} \bullet \mathrm{t}_{1}+\frac{C p_{1}+C p_{2}}{2} \bullet\left(\mathrm{t}_{2}-\mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \\
& +\frac{C p_{2}+C p_{3}}{2} \cdot\left(\mathrm{t}_{3}-\mathrm{t}_{2}\right)+\ldots+\frac{C p_{\text {last }}}{\mathrm{kel}}
\end{aligned}
$$



