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Supplemental Material

Conditional Toxicity Value (CTV) Predictor: An *In Silico* Approach for Generating Quantitative Risk Estimates for Chemicals

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Supplementary Methods and Results

Illustrative risk characterizations

In order to explore the possible risk assessment implications of using the Conditional Toxicity Value (CTV) predictor as compared to other methods, we calculated illustrative risk characterization values using (1) CTV predictions, (2) high throughput screening (HTS) assay-based oral equivalent dose (OED) estimates from Wetmore (2015), and (3) the "gold standard" regulatory NOAEL, BMDL, or RfD values. Risk characterization values require exposure estimates, so for illustration, we used the upper 95% exposure estimate from ExpoCast as the exposure value (Sipes et al. 2017; Wambaugh et al. 2013). We then calculated margins of exposure (MOEs) between that level of exposure and the NOAEL or BMDL (for CTV and "gold standard" regulatory values) and between exposure and the 5th percentile OED₀₅ (for HTS). We also calculated hazard quotients (HQs) as the ratio between exposure and the RfD for CTV and "gold standard" regulatory values. For HQs based on HTS assay-based results, we used a nominal "uncertainty factor" of 1000 for illustration, so that the HTS-based "RfD" = $OED_{05}/1000$. This value is based on the idea of (Crump et al. 2010) that RfDs based on in vitro studies could be derived by applying an additional uncertainty factor for in vitro-to-in vivo extrapolation. We then evaluated the degree to which CTVand HTS-based risk characterizations replicated the risk values calculated using the "gold standard" regulatory toxicity values. This evaluation was related both to the consistency with "gold standard" regulatory values, as well as whether they gave different "decision" outcomes based on whether they satisfied the criteria of MOE > 100 or HQ < 1.

The results of these risk characterization illustrations are shown in Supplemental Figure S5. In all cases, as with the original toxicity values described in the main text, the CTV predictions for NOAELs (n=36) and BMDLs (n=14) resulted in MOEs that were more accurate and more precise (smaller absolute deviations and larger R^2) than MOEs based on HTS assays and IVIVE, when compared to "gold standard" POD-derived MOEs. Risk characterizations using the RfD involve calculating a hazard quotient (HQ) instead of a MOE, and were available for more compounds (n=51), with similar results. Interestingly, for none of the compounds did the risk characterization using the "gold standard" regulatory toxicity values indicate a concern, defined by MOE < 100 or HQ > 1. These results were also the case for the risk characterizations based on CTV-derived toxicity values. On the other hand, HTS-based risk characterizations flagged some compounds as having a risk concern, suggesting that such risk characterizations may be more "conservative."

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