

Comparison of metabolic effects of mitochondrial dysfunctions in the context of vulnerability to fatigue: computer simulation study

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Appendix

Description of the mathematical model used in this work. Based on the skeletal muscle model description from <http://awe.mol.uj.edu.pl/~benio/models.html> [accessed 9 July 2022]

Abbreviations and subscripts

DH - NADH supply, LK - proton leak, CK - creatine kinase; AK - adenylate kinase; GL - glycolysis; EF - proton efflux/influx to/from blood; e - external (cytosolic); i - internal (mitochondrial); t - total; f - free; m - magnesium complex; j - monovalent.

Constants

Total concentrations constants:

$O_2 = 30 \mu\text{M}$
 $c_t = 270 \mu\text{M}$ ($c^{2+} + c^{3+}$, total concentration of cytochrome c)
 $a_t = 135 \mu\text{M}$ ($a^{2+} + a^{3+}$, total concentration of cytochrome a)
 $U_t = 1350 \mu\text{M}$ (UQH₂ + UQ, total concentration of ubiquinone)
 $N_t = 2970 \mu\text{M}$ (NADH + NAD⁺, total concentration of NAD)
 $Mg_{fe} = 4000 \mu\text{M}$ (free external magnesium concentration)
 $Mg_{fi} = 380 \mu\text{M}$ (free internal magnesium concentration)
 $A_{iSUM} = 16260 \mu\text{M}$ (ATP_{ti} + ADP_{ti}, total internal adenine nucleotide concentration)
 $A_{eSUM} = 6700 \mu\text{M}$ (ATP_{te} + ADP_{te} + AMP_{pe}, total external adenine nucleotide concentration)
 $C_{SUM} = 35000 \mu\text{M}$ (Cr + PCr, total creatine concentration)

Starting metabolite concentrations: (Independent variables)

NADH = 1757.9 μM
UQH₂ = 1242.7 μM
 $c^{2+} = 81.16 \mu\text{M}$
ATP_{ti} = 12939 μM
Pi_{ti} = 17330 μM
H_i = 0.03624 μM
ATP_{te} = 6693.0 μM
ADP_{te} = 7.182 μM
AMP_{pe} = 0.0216 μM
Pi_{te} = 3215.6 μM
PCr = 28293 μM
H_e = 0.1004 μM

Respiration rate (vC4) at rest

vC4 = 264 $\mu\text{M} \cdot \text{min}^{-1}$

Enzymatic/transporter activity rate constants and other constants

$k_{DH} = 28074 \mu\text{M} \cdot \text{min}^{-1}$
 $K_{mN} = 100$
 $p_D = 0.8$

$k_{Cr} = 238.95 \mu\text{M} \cdot \text{mV}^{-1} \cdot \text{min}^{-1}$

$$k_{C3} = 136.41 \mu\text{M mV}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$$

$$k_{C4} = 3.600 \mu\text{M}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$$

$$K_{mO} = 120 \mu\text{M} \text{ (mechanistic } K_m \text{ for } O_2)$$

$$k_{SN} = 34316 \mu\text{M min}^{-1}$$

$$n_A = 2.5 \text{ (phenomenological } H^+/\text{ATP stoichiometry of ATP synthase)}$$

$$k_{EX} = 54572 \mu\text{M min}^{-1}$$

$$K_{mADP} = 3.5 \mu\text{M}$$

$$k_{PF} = 69.421 \mu\text{M}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$$

$$k_{UT} = 781.97 \mu\text{M min}^{-1} \text{ (state of rest; } A_{UT} = 1)$$

$$K_{mA} = 150 \mu\text{M}$$

$$k_{LK1} = 2.500 \mu\text{M min}^{-1}$$

$$k_{LK2} = 0.038 \text{ mV}^{-1}$$

$$k_{fAK} = 862.10 \mu\text{M}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$$

$$k_{bAK} = 22.747 \mu\text{M}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$$

$$k_{fCK} = 1.9258 \mu\text{M}^{-2} \text{ min}^{-1}$$

$$k_{bCK} = 0.00087538 \mu\text{M}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$$

$$k_{EF} = 10000 \mu\text{M min}^{-1}$$

$$pH_0 = 7.0$$

$$k_{GL} = 17.2 \text{ min}^{-1}$$

$$H^{+rest} = 0.1 \mu\text{M}$$

$$R_{c_m} = 15 \text{ (cell volume/mitochondria volume ratio)}$$

$$B_N = 5 \text{ (buffering capacity coefficient for NAD)}$$

$$T = 298 \text{ K}$$

$$R = 0.0083 \text{ kJ}^* \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$$

$$F = 0.0965 \text{ kJ}^* \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ mV}^{-1}$$

$$S = 2.303^* R^* T$$

$$Z = 2.303^* R^* T / F$$

$$u = 0.861 \text{ (= } \Delta\Psi/\Delta p)$$

$$C_{buffi} = 0.022 \text{ M } H^+/\text{pH unit (buffering capacity for } H^+ \text{ in matrix)}$$

$$C_{buffe} = 0.025 \text{ M } H^+/\text{pH unit (buffering capacity for } H^+ \text{ in cytosol)}$$

$$pK_a = 6.8$$

$$\Delta G_{P0} = 31.9 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

$$E_{mN0} = -320 \text{ mV}$$

$$E_{mU0} = 85 \text{ mV}$$

$$E_{mc0} = 250 \text{ mV}$$

$$E_{ma0} = 540 \text{ mV}$$

$$k_{DTe} = 24 \mu\text{M} \text{ (magnesium dissociation constant for external ATP)}$$

$$k_{DDe} = 347 \mu\text{M} \text{ (magnesium dissociation constant for external ADP)}$$

$$k_{DTi} = 17 \mu\text{M} \text{ (magnesium dissociation constant for internal ATP)}$$

$$k_{DDi} = 282 \mu\text{M} \text{ (magnesium dissociation constant for internal ADP)}$$

Kinetic equations

$$\text{Substrate dehydrogenation: } v_{DH} = k_{DH} \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{K_{mN}}{NAD^+/NADH}\right)^{pD}}$$

$$\text{Complex I: } v_{C1} = k_{C1} \cdot \Delta G_{C1}$$

$$\text{Complex III: } v_{C3} = k_{C3} \cdot \Delta G_{C3}$$

$$\text{Complex IV: } v_{C4} = k_{C4} \cdot a^{2+} \cdot c^{2+} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{K_{mO}}{O_2}}$$

$$\text{ATP synthase: } v_{SN} = k_{SN} \frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma+1}, \gamma = 10^{\Delta G_{SN}/Z}$$

$$\text{ATP/ADP carrier: } v_{EX} = k_{EX} \cdot \left(\frac{ADP_{fe}}{ADP_{fe} + ATP_{fe} \cdot 10^{-\psi_e/Z}} - \frac{ADP_{fi}}{ADP_{fi} + ATP_{fi} \cdot 10^{-\psi_i/Z}} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1 + K_{mADP}/ADP_{fe}} \right)$$

$$\text{Phosphate carrier: } v_{PI} = k_{PI} \cdot (Pi_{je} \cdot H_e - Pi_{ji} \cdot H_i)$$

$$\text{ATP usage: } v_{UT} = k_{UT} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{K_{mA}}{ATP_{te}}}$$

$$\text{Proton leak: } v_{LK} = k_{LK1} \cdot (e^{k_{LK2} \cdot \Delta p} - 1)$$

$$\text{Adenylate kinase: } v_{AK} = k_{fAK} \cdot ADP_{fe} \cdot ADP_{me} - k_{bAK} \cdot ATP_{me} \cdot AMP_e$$

$$\text{Creatine kinase: } v_{CK} = k_{fCK} \cdot ADP_{te} \cdot PCr \cdot H_e^+ - k_{bCK} \cdot ATP_{te} \cdot Cr$$

$$\text{Proton efflux: } v_{EF} = k_{EF} \cdot (pH_0 - pH_e)$$

$$\text{Glycolysis: } v_{GL} = k_{GL} \cdot (ADP_{te} + AMP_e)(H_{rest}^+/H^+) \text{ (anaerobic glycolysis present)}$$

Set of differential equations

$$NADH = (v_{DH} - v_{C1}) \cdot R_{cm}/B_N$$

$$UQH_2 = (v_{C1} - v_{C3}) \cdot R_{cm}$$

$$c^{2+} = (v_{C3} - 2 \cdot v_{C4}) \cdot 2 \cdot R_{cm}$$

$$\dot{O}_2 = 0 \text{ (constant saturated oxygen concentration)}$$

$$ATP_{ti} = (v_{SN} - v_{EX}) \cdot R_{cm}$$

$$Pi_{ti} = (v_{PI} - v_{SN}) \cdot R_{cm}$$

$$ATP_{te} = (v_{EX} - v_{UT} + v_{AK} + v_{CK} + 1.5 \cdot v_{GL}) \cdot R_{cm}/(R_{cm} - 1)$$

$$ADP_{te} = (v_{UT} - v_{EX} - 2 \cdot v_{AK} - v_{CK} - 1.5 \cdot v_{GL}) \cdot R_{cm}/(R_{cm} - 1)$$

$$Pi_{te} = (v_{UT} - v_{PI} - 1.5 \cdot v_{GL}) \cdot R_{cm}/(R_{cm} - 1)$$

$$PCr = -v_{CK} \cdot R_{cm}/(R_{cm} - 1)$$

$$H_e^+ = (2 \cdot (2 + 2 \cdot u) \cdot v_{C4} + (4 - 2 \cdot u) \cdot v_{C3} + 4 \cdot v_{C1} - n_A \cdot v_{SN} - u \cdot v_{EX} - (1 - u) \cdot v_{PI} - v_{LK} - s \cdot v_{CK} - v_{EF} + v_{GL} - 0.2 \cdot v_{DH})/r_{bufe} \cdot R_{cm}/(R_{cm} - 1)$$

Other calculations

$$c^{3+} = c_t - c^{2+}$$

$$UQ = U_t - UQH_2$$

$$NAD^+ = N_t - NADH$$

$$Cr = C_{SUM} - PCr$$

$$AMP_e = A_{eSUM} - ATP_{te} - ADP_{te}$$

$$ADP_{ti} = A_{iSUM} - ATP_{ti}$$

$$ATP_{fe} = ATP_{te} / (1 + Mg_{fe} / k_{DTe})$$

$$ATP_{me} = ATP_{te} - ATP_{fe}$$

$$ADP_{fe} = ADP_{te} / (1 + Mg_{fe} / k_{DDe})$$

$$ADP_{me} = ADP_{te} - ADP_{fe}$$

$$ATP_{fi} = ATP_{ti} / (1 + Mg_{fi} / k_{DTi})$$

$$ATP_{mi} = ATP_{ti} - ATP_{fi}$$

$$ADP_{fi} = ADP_{ti} / (1 + Mg_{fi} / k_{DDi})$$

$$ADP_{mi} = ADP_{ti} - ADP_{fi}$$

$$pH_i = -\log (H_i / 10^6) \text{ (} H_i \text{ expressed in } \mu\text{M)}$$

$$pH_e = -\log (H_e / 10^6) \text{ (} H_e \text{ expressed in } \mu\text{M)}$$

$$\Delta p\text{H(mV)} = Z(pH_i - pH_e)$$

$$\Delta p\text{(mV)} = 1 / (1 - u) \Delta p\text{H}$$

$$\Delta \Psi\text{(mV)} = -(\Delta p - \Delta p\text{H})$$

$$\Psi_i\text{(mV)} = 0.65 \cdot \Delta \Psi$$

$$\Psi_e\text{(mV)} = -0.35 \cdot \Delta \Psi$$

$$Pi_{je} = Pi_{te} / (1 + 10^{pH_e - pKa})$$

$$Pi_{ji} = Pi_{ti} / (1 + 10^{pH_i - pKa})$$

$$c_{0i} = (10^{-pH_i} - 10^{-pH_i - dpH}) / dpH \text{ ('natural' buffering capacity for } H^+ \text{ in matrix; } dpH = 0.001)$$

$$r_{buffi} = c_{buffi} / c_{0i} \text{ (buffering capacity coefficient for } H^+ \text{ in matrix)}$$

$$c_{0e} = (10^{-pH_e} - 10^{-pH_e - dpH}) / dpH \text{ ('natural' buffering capacity for } H^+ \text{ in cytosol; } dpH = 0.001)$$

$$r_{buffe} = c_{buffe} / c_{0e} \text{ (buffering capacity coefficient for } H^+ \text{ in cytosol)}$$

$$\Delta G_{SN} = n_A \cdot \Delta p - \Delta G_P \text{ (thermodynamic span of ATP synthase)}$$

$$\Delta G_P = \Delta G_{P0} / F + Z \cdot \log (10^6 \cdot ATP_{ti} / (ADP_{ti} \cdot Pi_{ti})) \text{ (concentrations expressed in } \mu\text{M)}$$

$$E_{mN} = E_{mN0} + Z/2 \cdot \log (NAD^+ / NADH) \text{ (NAD redox potential)}$$

$$E_{mU} = E_{mU0} + Z/2 \cdot \log (UQ / UQH_2) \text{ (ubiquinone redox potential)}$$

$$E_{mc} = E_{mc0} + Z \cdot \log (c / c^{2+}) \text{ (cytochrome c redox potential)}$$

$$E_{ma} = E_{mc} + \Delta p \cdot (2 + 2u) / 2 \text{ (cytochrome } a_3 \text{ redox potential)}$$

$$A_{3/2} = 10^{(E_{ma} - E_{ma0}) / Z} \text{ (} a^{3+} / a^{2+} \text{ ratio)}$$

$$a^{2+} = a_t / (1 + A_{3/2}) \text{ (concentration of reduced cytochrome } a_3)$$

$$\Delta G_{C1} = E_{mU} - E_{mN} - \Delta p \cdot 4/2 \text{ (thermodynamic span of complex I)}$$

$$\Delta G_{C3} = E_{mc} - E_{mU} - \Delta p \cdot (4 - 2u) / 2 \text{ (thermodynamic span of complex III)}$$

$$s = 0.7 - (pH - 6.0) \cdot 0.5 \text{ (net stoichiometry of proton consumption/production by creatine kinase when coupled with ATP consumption/production, respectively; Lohman reaction)}$$