

## SUPPLEMENTARY TABLES

**Table S1.** List of main reactions in EARM1.3

For all reactions, the general form is:

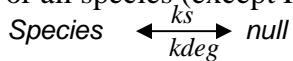


with parameters  $k$ ,  $kr$  and  $kc$  identified below (see Tables S2 and S4 for parameter values).

Reaction	Parameter names
Ligand + Receptor $\leftrightarrow$ Ligand:Receptor $\rightarrow$ Receptor*	$k(1), kr(1), kc(1)$
Receptor* + Flip $\leftrightarrow$ Receptor*:Flip	$k(2), kr(2)$
Receptor* + Caspase-8 $\leftrightarrow$ Receptor*:Caspase-8 $\rightarrow$ Receptor* + Caspase-8*	$k(3), kr(3), kc(3)$
Caspase-8* + Bar $\leftrightarrow$ Caspase-8*:Bar	$k(4), kr(4)$
Caspase-8* + Caspase-3 $\leftrightarrow$ Caspase-8*:Caspase-3 $\rightarrow$ Caspase-8* + Caspase-3*	$k(5), kr(5), kc(5)$
Caspase-3* + Caspase-6 $\leftrightarrow$ Caspase-3*:Caspase-6 $\rightarrow$ Caspase-3* + Caspase-6*	$k(6), kr(6), kc(6)$
Caspase-6* + Caspase-8 $\leftrightarrow$ Caspase-6*:Caspase-8 $\rightarrow$ Caspase-6* + Caspase-8*	$k(7), kr(7), kc(7)$
Caspase-3* + XIAP $\leftrightarrow$ Caspase-3*:XIAP $\rightarrow$ Caspase-3*_Ub + XIAP	$k(8), kr(8), kc(8)$
Caspase-3* + PARP $\leftrightarrow$ Caspase-3*:PARP $\rightarrow$ Caspase-3* + cPARP	$k(9), kr(9), kc(9)$
Caspase-8* + Bid $\leftrightarrow$ Caspase-8*:Bid $\rightarrow$ Caspase-8* + tBid	$k(10), kr(10), kc(10)$
tBid + Mcl1 $\leftrightarrow$ Bid:Mcl1	$k(11), kr(11)$
tBid + Bax $\leftrightarrow$ tBid:Bax $\rightarrow$ tBid + Bax*	$k(12), kr(12), kc(12)$
Bax* $\leftrightarrow$ Bax*_m	$k(13), kr(13)$
Bax*_m + Bcl2 $\leftrightarrow$ Bax*_m:Bcl2	$k(14), kr(14)$
Bax*_m + Bax*_m $\leftrightarrow$ Bax*2_m	$k(15), kr(15)$
Bax*2_m + Bcl2 $\leftrightarrow$ Bax*2_m:Bcl2	$k(16), kr(16)$
Bax*2_m + Bax*2_m $\leftrightarrow$ Bax*4_m	$k(17), kr(17)$
Bax*4_m + Bcl2 $\leftrightarrow$ Bax*4_m:Bcl2	$k(18), kr(18)$
Bax*4_m + Pore $\leftrightarrow$ Bax*4_m:Pore $\rightarrow$ Pore*	$k(19), kr(19), kc(19)$
Pore* + Cytoc_m $\leftrightarrow$ Pore*:Cytoc_m $\rightarrow$ Pore* + Cytoc_r	$k(20), kr(20), kc(20)$
Pore* + Smac_m $\leftrightarrow$ Pore*:Smac_m $\rightarrow$ Pore* + Smac_r	$k(21), kr(21), kc(21)$
Pore* $\rightarrow$ Pore	$kdeg(41)$
Cytoc_r $\leftrightarrow$ Cytoc	$k(22), kr(22)$
Cytoc + Apaf $\leftrightarrow$ Cytoc:Apaf $\rightarrow$ Cytoc + Apaf*	$k(23), kr(23), kc(23)$
Apaf* + C9 $\leftrightarrow$ Apoptosome	$k(24), kr(24)$
Apoptosome + Caspase-3 $\leftrightarrow$ Apoptosome:Caspase-3 $\rightarrow$ Apoptosome + Caspase-3*	$k(25), kr(25), kc(25)$
Smac_r $\leftrightarrow$ Smac	$k(26), kr(26)$
Apoptosome + XIAP $\leftrightarrow$ Apoptosome:XIAP	$k(27), kr(27)$
Smac + XIAP $\leftrightarrow$ Smac:XIAP	$k(28), kr(28)$
Receptor* $\leftrightarrow$ Ligand+ Receptor	$k(31), kr(31)$

### Synthesis and degradation reactions

For all species (except Pore\*, as noted in Table S1), the form is:



Where  $ks$  is the synthesis rate,  $kdeg$  is the degradation rate, as listed in Table S2.

**Table S2. Initial species concentrations and synthesis/degradation rates for EARM1.3**

	Model Species	HeLa base case initial concentration (IC) (molecules/cell)	Base case synthesis rate (ks, molecules/s)	Degradation rate (kdeg, 1/s)	Coefficient of variation
1	Ligand	3000†	0	2.9E-06	0
2	Receptor	1000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.25
3	Ligand:Receptor	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
4	Receptor*	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
5	Flip	2000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.25
6	Flip:Receptor*	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
7	Caspase-8	10000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.25
8	Caspase-8:Receptor*	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
9	Caspase-8*	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
10	Bar	1000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.25
11	Caspase-8*:Bar	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
12	Caspase-3	10000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.282
13	Caspase-8*:Caspase-3	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
14	Caspase-3*	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
15	Caspase-6	10000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.25
16	Caspase-3*:Caspase-6	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
17	Caspase-6*	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
18	Caspase-6*:Caspase-8	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
19	XIAP	100000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.288
20	XIAP:Caspase-3*	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
21	PARP	1000000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.25
22	Caspase-3*:PARP	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
23	cPARP	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
24	Bid	60000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.288
25	Caspase-8*:Bid	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
26	tBid	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
27	Mcl-1	20000	0.15*kdeg*IC	0.0001	0.25
28	tBid:Mcl-1	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
29	Bax	80000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.271
30	tBid:Bax	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
31	Bax*	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
32	Bax*_m	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
33	Bcl-2	30000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.294
34	Bax*_m:Bcl-2	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
35	Bax*2_m	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
36	Bax*2_m:Bcl-2	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
37	Bax*4_m	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
38	Bax*4_m:Bcl-2	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
39	Pore	500000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.25
40	Bax*4:Pore	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
41	Pore*	0	0	0.0001	N/A
42	CytoC_m	500000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.25
43	M*:CytoC_m	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
44	CytoC_r	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
45	Smac	100000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.25
46	M*:Smac	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
47	Smac_r	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
48	CytoC	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
49	Apaf	100000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.25
50	Apaf:CytoC	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
51	Apaf*	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
52	Caspase-9	100000	0.15*kdeg*IC	2.9E-06	0.25
53	Apoptosome	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
54	Apoptosome:Caspase-3	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
55	Smac	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
56	Apoptosome:XIAP	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
57	Smac:XIAP	0	0	2.9E-06	N/A
58	Caspase-3*_Ub	0	0	0	N/A

† indicates a unitless constant.

**Note 1:** In all simulations the initial concentration of ligand was set to 3,000 which best mimics signaling dynamics observed in HeLa cells treated with 50 ng/ml of TRAIL.

**Note 2:** The synthesis rates are set for each protein as  $ks = 0.15*kdeg*IC$  such that they are only 15% of the value required for maintaining protein concentrations at steady state. This mimics the effects of treating HeLa cells with 2.5 ug/ml cycloheximide [1], as used in all experiments.

**Table S3: Covariance matrix for Bax, Bcl-2, Bid, Caspase-3 and XIAP.** The coefficients of correlation (R) which estimate the covariance after mean-centering and reducing the variables, where obtained from pairwise measurements of protein levels by flow cytometry and used to build a joint initial protein concentration distribution for these five proteins.

	Bcl-2	Bid	Caspase-3	XIAP	Bax
<b>Bcl-2</b>	1	0.477302	0.392112	0.673084	0.726968
<b>Bid</b>	0.477302	1	0.39913	0.37203	0.519564
<b>Caspase-3</b>	0.392112	0.39913	1	0.607546	0.672214
<b>XIAP</b>	0.673084	0.37203	0.607546	1	0.52748
<b>Bax</b>	0.726968	0.519564	0.672214	0.52748	1

**Table S4: Kinetic rate parameters for EARM1.3.**

forward rates	1/(s*molec/cell)	reverse rates	1/s	catalytic rates	1/s
<i>k</i> 1	4.00E-07*	<i>kr</i> 1	1.00E-06	<i>kc</i> 1	1.00E-02
<i>k</i> 2	1.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 2	0.001		
<i>k</i> 3	1.00E-07	<i>kr</i> 3	0.001	<i>kc</i> 3	1
<i>k</i> 4	1.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 4	0.001		
<i>k</i> 5	1.00E-07	<i>kr</i> 5	0.001	<i>kc</i> 5	1
<i>k</i> 6	1.00E-07	<i>kr</i> 6	0.001	<i>kc</i> 6	1
<i>k</i> 7	1.00E-07	<i>kr</i> 7	0.001	<i>kc</i> 7	1
<i>k</i> 8	2.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 8	0.001	<i>kc</i> 8	0.1
<i>k</i> 9	1.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 9	0.001	<i>kc</i> 9	20
<i>k</i> 10	1.00E-07	<i>kr</i> 10	0.001	<i>kc</i> 10	1
<i>k</i> 11	1.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 11	0.001		
<i>k</i> 12	1.00E-07	<i>kr</i> 12	0.001	<i>kc</i> 12	1
<i>k</i> 13	0.01	<i>kr</i> 13	1		
<i>k</i> 14	1.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 14	0.001		
<i>k</i> 15	1.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 15	0.001		
<i>k</i> 16	1.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 16	0.001		
<i>k</i> 17	1.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 17	0.001		
<i>k</i> 18	1.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 18	0.001		
<i>k</i> 19	1.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 19	0.001	<i>kc</i> 19	1
<i>k</i> 20	2.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 20	0.001	<i>kc</i> 20	10
<i>k</i> 21	2.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 21	0.001	<i>kc</i> 21	10
<i>k</i> 22	1	<i>kr</i> 22	0.01		
<i>k</i> 23	5.00E-07	<i>kr</i> 23	0.001	<i>kc</i> 23	1
<i>k</i> 24	5.00E-08	<i>kr</i> 24	0.001		
<i>k</i> 25	5.00E-09	<i>kr</i> 25	0.001	<i>kc</i> 25	1
<i>k</i> 26	1	<i>kr</i> 26	0.01		
<i>k</i> 27	2.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 27	0.001		
<i>k</i> 28	7.00E-06	<i>kr</i> 28	0.001		
<i>k</i> 31	0.001	<i>kr</i> 31	0		

\* indicates units of 1/s

## References

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