Supplemental Material

Modeling of Chemical Kinetics of Cocaine in Human Reveals the Feasibility for Development of Enzyme Therapies for Drugs of Abuse

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Supplementary material available including (1) analysis of the structural identifiability of the model; (2) detailed data for the impacts of the catalytic parameters of enzyme on cocaine concentration in brain; (3) additional information about the evaluation of available high-activity cocaine-metabolizing enzymes for their effects on the cocaine concentration in brain.

Analysis of the structural identifiability of the model

The system-experiment model is

$$\dot{x}_{1}(t) = -[V_{\text{max}}/(K_{\text{M}} + x_{1}(t)) + K_{\text{pb}}]x_{1}(t) + K_{\text{bp}}x_{2}(t) \qquad x_{1}(0) = \frac{D}{V_{\text{p}}}$$
(S1)

$$y_1(t) = \frac{V_p}{D} x_1(t)$$
 (S3)

$$y_2(t) = cx_2(t) \tag{S4}$$

 $y_1(t)$ and $y_2(t)$ are the model outputs. V_{max} , K_{M} , c, and D (the dose of cocaine) are the known constants, and V_p , V_b , K_{pb} , and K_{bp} are the technically unknown parameters.

Various methods are available for analysis of the structural identifiability of a model. One of the methods is based on Taylor series expansion of the observations around time t = 0. This method consists of looking at the successive derivatives to check whether they contain information about the parameters to be identified within the model.

The Taylor series expansion of y_i (*i* = 1 and 2) in *t* = 0 is

$$y_i(t) = y_i(0) + t\dot{y}_i(0) + \frac{t^2}{2!}\ddot{y}_i(0) + \frac{t^3}{3!}\ddot{y}_i(0) + \dots$$
(S5)

By using Eqs.(S1) to (S4) and the initial conditions, we have

$$y_1(0) = 1$$
 (S6)

$$y_{2}(0) = 0$$
 (S7)

$$\dot{y}_{1}(0) = -\frac{V_{\text{max}}}{K_{\text{M}} + \frac{D}{V_{\text{p}}}} - K_{\text{pb}}$$
(S8)

$$\ddot{y}_{1}(0) = -\left[\frac{V_{\text{max}}}{K_{\text{M}} + \frac{D}{V_{\text{p}}}} + K_{\text{pb}}\right]\dot{y}_{1}(0) + \frac{V_{\text{max}}\frac{D}{V_{\text{p}}}}{\left(K_{\text{M}} + \frac{D}{V_{\text{p}}}\right)^{2}}\dot{y}_{1}(0) + \frac{V_{\text{p}}K_{\text{bp}}}{Dc}\dot{y}_{2}(0)$$

or

$$\ddot{y}_{1}(0) = \dot{y}_{1}(0)^{2} + \frac{V_{\max} \frac{D}{V_{p}}}{(K_{M} + \frac{D}{V_{p}})^{2}} \dot{y}_{1}(0) + \frac{V_{p}K_{bp}}{Dc} \dot{y}_{2}(0)$$
(S9)

$$\dot{y}_2(0) = \frac{cDK_{\rm pb}}{V_{\rm b}} \tag{S10}$$

$$\ddot{y}_{2}(0) = \frac{cK_{\rm pb}D}{V_{\rm b}}\dot{y}_{1}(0) - \frac{V_{\rm p}K_{\rm bp}}{V_{\rm b}}\dot{y}_{2}(0)$$
(S11)

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 $\dot{y}_1(0)$, $\ddot{y}_1(0)$, $\dot{y}_2(0)$, and $\ddot{y}_2(0)$ in Eqs.(S8) to (S11) are all observable parameters. From Eq.(8), we obtain

$$V_{\rm p} = -\frac{D(K_{\rm pb} + \dot{y}_{\rm 1}(0))}{K_{\rm M}K_{\rm pb} + K_{\rm M}\dot{y}_{\rm 1}(0) + V_{\rm max}} \,.$$
(S12)

Substitution of Eq.(S12) into Eq.(S9) gives

$$\ddot{y}_{1}(0) = \dot{y}_{1}(0)^{2} - \frac{\dot{y}_{1}(0)}{V_{\text{max}}}(\dot{y}_{1}(0) + K_{\text{pb}})(K_{\text{M}}\dot{y}_{1}(0) + K_{\text{M}}K_{\text{pb}} + V_{\text{max}}) - \frac{(K_{\text{pb}} + \dot{y}_{1}(0))K_{\text{bp}}\dot{y}_{2}(0)}{c(K_{\text{M}}\dot{y}_{1}(0) + K_{\text{M}}K_{\text{pb}} + V_{\text{max}})}.$$
(S13)

Equation (S10) gives

$$V_{\rm b} = \frac{cDK_{\rm pb}}{\dot{y}_2(0)} \,. \tag{S14}$$

Combination of Eqs.(S10) and (S11) gives

$$\ddot{y}_{2}(0) = \dot{y}_{1}(0)\dot{y}_{2}(0) - \frac{V_{p}K_{bp}}{V_{b}}\dot{y}_{2}(0).$$
(S15)

Substitution of Eqs.(S12) and (S14) into Eq.(S15) gives

$$\ddot{y}_{2}(0) = \dot{y}_{1}(0)\dot{y}_{2}(0) + K_{bp} \frac{(K_{pb} + \dot{y}_{1}(0))\dot{y}_{2}(0)^{2}}{(K_{M}\dot{y}_{1}(0) + K_{M}K_{pb} + V_{max})cK_{pb}}$$

or

$$K_{\rm bp} = \frac{(\ddot{y}_2(0) - \dot{y}_1(0)\dot{y}_2(0))(K_{\rm M}\dot{y}_1(0) + K_{\rm M}K_{\rm pb} + V_{\rm max})cK_{\rm pb}}{(K_{\rm pb} + \dot{y}_1(0))\dot{y}_2(0)^2} \,.$$
(S16)

Substitution of Eq.(S16) into Eq.(S13) gives

$$\ddot{y}_{1}(0) = \dot{y}_{1}(0)^{2} - \frac{\dot{y}_{1}(0)}{V_{\text{max}}}(\dot{y}_{1}(0) + K_{\text{pb}})(K_{\text{M}}\dot{y}_{1}(0) + K_{\text{M}}K_{\text{pb}} + V_{\text{max}}) - \frac{(\ddot{y}_{2}(0) - \dot{y}_{1}(0)\dot{y}_{2}(0))K_{\text{pb}}}{\dot{y}_{2}(0)}.$$
 (S17)

Equation (S17) can be rewritten in the following standard form:

$$AK_{\rm pb}^{2} + BK_{\rm pb} + C = 0 \tag{S18}$$

in which coefficients A, B, and C can be determined by known constants:

$$A = \dot{y}_1(0)\dot{y}_2(0)K_{\rm M} \tag{S19}$$

$$B = 2\dot{y}_1(0)^2 \dot{y}_2(0)K_{\rm M} + \ddot{y}_2(0)V_{\rm max}$$
(S20)

$$C = \dot{y}_1(0)^3 \dot{y}_2(0) K_{\rm M} + \ddot{y}_1(0) \dot{y}_2(0) V_{\rm max}$$
(S21)

As well known, Eq.(S18) mathematically can have two solutions, denoted as s_1 and s_2 here for convenience:

$$s_1 = \frac{-B + \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A}$$
(S22)

$$s_2 = \frac{-B - \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A} \tag{S23}$$

Further, to know whether s_1 and s_2 are physically meaningful or not, it is interesting to know the signs of the possible *A*, *B*, and *C* values in Eqs.(S22) and (S23). In Eqs.(S19) to (S21), we have known that $K_{\rm M} = 4.5 \,\mu\text{M}$ and $V_{\rm max} = 4.1 \times 0.035 = 0.1435 \,\mu\text{M} \cdot \text{min}^{-1}$. Further, $\dot{y}_1(0)$, $\ddot{y}_1(0)$, $\dot{y}_2(0)$, and $\ddot{y}_2(0)$ may be estimated roughly by using the time-dependent cocaine concentrations listed in Table S1, although their exact values are dependent on the specific functions used for the data fitting. Nevertheless, our numerical tests always qualitatively indicate that A < 0, B < 0, and C > 0, which gives

$$-4AC > 0$$

or

$$\sqrt{B^2 - 4AC} > B. \tag{S24}$$

Equations (S22) to (S24) clearly indicate that $s_1 < 0$ and $s_2 > 0$. For a physically meaningful solution, K_{pb} must be a positive value. Therefore, only one physically meaningful solution can be obtained from Eq.(S18), *i.e.*

$$K_{\rm pb} = s_2 = \frac{-B - \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A}.$$
 (S25)

When K_{pb} is known, Eq.(S12) provides V_p uniquely, Eq.(S14) provides V_b uniquely, and Eq.(S16) provides K_{bp} uniquely.

In summary, although the model mathematically may have two solutions associated with s_1 and s_2 , there is only one physically meaningful solution for the values of parameters V_p , V_b , K_{pb} , and K_{bp} used in the model. So, under the condition that V_p , V_b , K_{pb} , and K_{bp} all must be positive values, all unknown parameters of the model are uniquely identifiable and, therefore, the model is structurally identifiable.

Impacts of the catalytic parameters of enzyme on cocaine concentration in brain

With all of the model parameters calibrated, we can further discuss possible impacts of the catalytic parameters (k_{cat} and K_M) of enzyme on cocaine concentration in brain, *i.e.* $x_2(t)$, when a typical addiction dose of cocaine is administered. It has been known that for a typical addiction dose of cocaine, the peak cocaine concentration in plasma is expected to be about 1 to 5 μ M^{1,2} Hence, the model was first used to determine the curves of $x_2(t)$ versus time (t) in the presence of only endogenous (native) BChE ($k_{cat} = 4.1 \text{ min}^{-1}$ and $K_M = 4.5 \mu$ M) when $x_1(0) = 1$ to 5 μ M; some important numerical results are summarized in Tables S2 and S3. The obtained curves for $x_1(0) = 5 \mu$ M are depicted in Figure S2. As seen in Tables S2 and S3, when $x_1(0)$ (which is determined by the dose of cocaine administered) increases, both the peak concentration of cocaine in brain and the AUC2_{∞} value increase considerably.

We examined the changes of the cocaine concentration in brain when catalytic parameter k_{cat} or K_M of the enzyme is improved, compared to the native enzyme ($k_{cat} = 4.1 \text{ min}^{-1}$ and $K_M = 4.5 \mu$ M). In particular, we considered the possible change of k_{cat} from 4.1 min⁻¹ to 41, 410, 4100, or 41000 min⁻¹ when the other parameters (K_M , [E], D, V_b , V_p , K_{pb} , and K_{bp}) are fixed. We also examined the possible change of K_M from 4.5 μ M to 0.45, 0.045, 0.0045, or 0.00045 μ M when the other parameters (k_{cat} , [E], D, V_b , V_p , K_{pb} , and K_{bp}) are fixed. We also examined the possible change of K_M from 4.5 μ M to 0.45, 0.045, 0.0045, or 0.00045 μ M when the other parameters (k_{cat} , [E], D, V_b , V_p , K_{pb} , and K_{bp}) are fixed. Important numerical results are summarized in Tables S2 and S3 in comparison with those obtained from the native enzyme. Depicted in Figure S2 are the predicted curves of cocaine uptake and clearance in brain when $x_1(0) = 5 \mu$ M, corresponding to $k_{cat} = 4.1$, 41, 410, and 4100 min⁻¹ when $K_M = 4.5 \mu$ M (upper panel of Figure S2) and $K_M = 0.0045$, 0.045, 0.45, and 4.5 μ M when $k_{cat} = 4.1 \text{ min}^{-1}$ (lower panel

of Figure S2). As expected, when the enzyme activity increases, the enzymatic hydrolysis of cocaine is always faster so that the $x_2(t)$ value (cocaine concentration in brain) in the presence of a more active enzyme is always smaller than the corresponding $x_2(t)$ value in the presence of only endogenous BChE at any given time (t) after cocaine is administered. The difference between the $x_2(t)$ values corresponding to the two enzymes becomes larger and larger with the time (t), as seen in Figure S2. Hence, when the enzyme activity increases, the cocaine half-life in brain (*i.e.* $t_{b1/2}$), AUC2_∞, and the peak concentration of cocaine in brain all decrease. Due to the decrease of the cocaine peak concentration and half-life in brain, the time to reach the decreased cocaine peak concentration in brain also decreases with increasing the catalytic activity of the enzyme, particularly in increasing k_{cat} , as seen in Tables S2 and S3.

As seen in Table S2 and Figure S2 (upper panel), for a given initial cocaine concentration in plasma, when $K_{\rm M}$ decreases from 4.5 µM to 0.45 µM, the $t_{\rm b1/2}$ and AUC2_∞ values in brain decrease significantly, while the peak concentration of cocaine in brain also decreases slightly. When $K_{\rm M}$ decreases further from 0.45 µM, the $t_{\rm b1/2}$, AUC2_∞, and peak concentration of cocaine in brain decrease little. This is because when $K_{\rm M}$ is sufficiently small, the enzyme has already been saturated and the catalytic reaction has reached the maximum rate such that further decrease in $K_{\rm M}$ no longer can increase the reaction rate.

As seen in Table S3 and Figure S2 (lower panel), for a given initial cocaine concentration in plasma, when k_{cat} increases for each order of magnitude, the AUC2_{∞} value in brain decreases for about a order of magnitude while the $t_{b1/2}$ and peak concentration of cocaine in brain also decrease significantly. Thus, so long as the k_{cat} value is sufficiently large, the $t_{b1/2}$ and AUC2_{∞} values and the peak concentration of cocaine in brain all can be neglected.

In addition, because $V_{\text{max}} \equiv k_{\text{cat}}$ [E], the same impact of increasing k_{cat} may also be achieved by increasing [E] (the concentration of enzyme). Generally speaking, the higher the enzyme concentration, the greater the maximum reaction velocity (V_{max}) of the catalytic reaction. However, one cannot infinitely increase [E] in practice. For example, in terms of a cocaine hydrolase gene therapy, the enzyme concentration would be subjected to physiological regulation affected by many factors. The actual concentration of an enzyme residing in a living subject might finally reach to an equilibrium value; a BChE mutant gene delivery using a viral vector produced the BChE mutant in rats with a plasma concentration ~0.5 μ M for at least a few months.³

Additional information about the evaluation of available high-activity cocaine-metabolizing enzymes for their effects on the cocaine concentration in brain

As AUC2_{∞} and cocaine peak concentration in brain are the primary determinants of the overall cocaine reward/stimulation effects in brain, cocaine-metabolizing enzymes CocHs and CocE all can considerably decrease the overall cocaine reward/stimulation effects in brain. To simplify further discussion below, we will first focus on the AUC2_{∞} values. As the increase in the initial cocaine concentration in plasma increases both the peak concentration and half-life of cocaine in brain, AUC2_{∞} is a quadratic polynomial function of $x_1(0)$. Hence, AUC2_{∞} increases with $x_1(0)$ faster than the simpler linear correction, as the data in Table 1 show.

As seen in Table 1, in the presence of endogenous native BChE with the normal concentration (0.035 μ M) in human plasma, AUC2_∞ = ~35, ~237, ~10,694, ~39,432, and ~151,039 μ M·min when $x_1(0) = 1, 5, 50, 100$, and 200 μ M, respectively. In the presence of 0.035 μ M CocE, the respective AUC2_∞ values become ~0.07, ~1, ~82, ~321, and ~1,274 μ M·min. The respective AUC2_{∞} values become ~0.005, ~0.07, ~6, ~23, and ~91 μ M·min, when the CocE concentration in plasma increases to $0.5 \,\mu$ M. These data suggest that in the presence of CocE (with a reasonable concentration), the AUC2 $_{\infty}$ values and, thus, the overall reward/stimulation effects of a typical addiction dose of cocaine corresponding to $x_1(0) = 1$ to 5 μ M are negligible in comparison with the AUC2_∞ value of ~35 μ M·min associated with 0.035 μ M native BChE and $x_1(0)$ value of 1 μ M. CocE with a reasonable concentration can be expected to protect the human subjects from the acute toxicity of a lethal dose of cocaine associated with a high $x_1(0)$ value. For example, the AUC2_{∞} value of ~82 μ M·min associated with 0.035 μ M CocE and $x_1(0)$ value of 50 μ M is close to that associated with 0.035 μ M native BChE and $x_1(0)$ value of ~2 μ M. The AUC2_{∞} value of ~321 μ M·min associated with 0.035 μ M CocE and $x_1(0)$ value of 100 μ M is close to that associated with 0.035 μ M native BChE and $x_1(0)$ value of ~6 μ M. The AUC2_{\u03c0} value of ~1,274 μ M·min associated with 0.035 μ M CocE and $x_1(0)$ value of 200 μ M is close to that associated with 0.035 μ M native BChE and $x_1(0)$ value of ~15 μ M. The AUC2_{∞} value of ~91 μ M·min associated with 0.5 μ M CocE and $x_1(0)$

value of 200 μ M is close to that associated with 0.035 μ M native BChE and $x_1(0)$ value of ~2 μ M.

As one can see from the data in Table 1, CocHs are more efficient than CocE in decreasing the corresponding AUC2 $_{\infty}$ values under the same dose conditions, because all CocHs have higher catalytic activity than CocE. Within all of these enzymes, CocH3 has the highest catalytic activity and, therefore, CocH3 is most efficient in decreasing the AUC2 $_{\infty}$ value. For example, the AUC2_{∞} values associated with 0.035 μ M CocH3 when $x_1(0) = 1$ to 100 μ M are all smaller than that associated with 0.035 μ M native BChE when $x_1(0) = 1 \mu$ M. The AUC2_∞ values associated with any CocH1 or CocH2 or CocH3) of 0.5 μ M and any $x_1(0)$ value (1 to 200 μ M) examined are all smaller than that associated with 0.035 μ M native BChE and $x_1(0)$ value of 1 μ M. The relative magnitudes of the calculated AUC2_{∞} values associated with CocE and CocH3 are qualitatively consistent with the observed relative potency of these enzymes in the protection of mice from the acute toxicity of a lethal dose of cocaine (180 mg/kg, i.p.). Pharmacokinetic data reported by Pan et al.4 revealed that 30 mg/kg cocaine (i.p.) produced a peak cocaine plasma concentration of 4,100±460 ng/ml or ~14 µM in rat. Based on their pharmacokinetic data, the peak cocaine plasma concentration produced by 180 mg/kg cocaine (i.p.) is estimated to be ~84 μ M in the absence of an exogenous enzyme. It has been shown that the minimum effective dose of the exogenous enzyme (i.v.) to fully protect a mouse from a lethal dose of cocaine (180 mg/kg, i.p.) is 0.1 mg for CocE⁵ and 0.01 mg for CocH3; CocH3 is ~10-fold more potent than CocE.

It is interesting to compare CocH1 with CocH2 for their relative AUC2_∞ values associated with various $x_1(0)$ values. The AUC2_∞ value associated with CocH2 is smaller than that associated with CocH1 when $x_1(0) < ~3 \mu$ M, whereas the AUC2_∞ value associated with CocH1 is smaller than that associated with CocH2 when $x_1(0) > ~3 \mu$ M. The change in the relative effects of the enzymes is attributed to the fact that CocH1 ($k_{cat} = 3,060 \text{ min}^{-1}$ and $K_M = 3.1 \mu$ M) has a larger catalytic rate constant (k_{cat} , which is the dominant factor affecting the enzyme activity in the condition of a very high substrate concentration), whereas CocH2 ($k_{cat} = 1,730 \text{ min}^{-1}$ and $K_M = 1.1 \mu$ M) has a higher catalytic efficiency (k_{cat}/K_M , which is the dominant factor affecting the enzyme activity in the condition of a low substrate concentration). Therefore, it is

significant for improving the potency of the enzyme to decrease $K_{\rm M}$ when cocaine concentration is low, whereas increasing $k_{\rm cat}$ is always the most effective.

Obs. #	Time (min)	Cocaine in brain (Expt. in µM)	$x_2(t)$ (Calc. in μ M)	Cocaine in plasma (Expt. in µM)	$x_1(t)$ (Calc. in μ M)
1	0.00E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00		3.1E-03
2	0.2	1.0E-04	0.4E-03		3.0E-03
3	1.0		1.5E-03	2.9E-3	2.9E-03
4	1.1	1.6E-03	1.6E-03		2.9E-03
5	1.7	2.1E-03	2.1E-03		2.8E-03
6	2.1	2.3E-03	2.3E-03		2.8E-03
7	4.5	2.9E-03	2.7E-03		2.6E-03
8	5.0		2.7E-03	2.7E-3	2.5E-03
9	5.5	2.9E-03	2.7E-03		2.5E-03
10	7.0	2.7E-03	2.6E-03		2.4E-03
11	9.0	2.5E-03	2.5E-03		2.2E-03
12	10	2.4E-03	2.4E-03	2.2E-3	2.2E-03
13	15	2.0E-03	2.1E-03		1.9E-03
14	25	1.5E-03	1.5E-03		1.4E-03
15	30		1.3E-03	1.2E-3	1.2E-03
16	35	1.0E-04	1.1E -03		1.0E-03

Table S1. The cocaine concentrations in plasma and brain observed by experiment in ref.37 of the text and fitted by the generated kinetic model

COC	$K_{\rm M}$ (μ M)									
(µM)	4.5		0.45		0.045		0.0045		0.00045	
	Peak (µM·min)	AUC2 $_{\infty}$ (μ M·min)	Peak (µM·min)	$AUC2_{\infty}$ (μ M·min)	Peak (µM·min)	AUC2∞ (µM·min)	Peak (µM·min)	AUC2 $_{\infty}$ (μ M·min)	Peak (µM·min)	$AUC2_{\infty}$ (μ M·min)
1	0.908	35.101	0.728	6.963	0.659	3.954	0.649	3.652	0.648	3.622
	(5.101)		(3.194)		(2.688)		(2.611)		(2.611)	
2	1.842	76.529	1.618	21.143	1.557	15.117	1.550	14.512	1.549	14.452
	(5.295)		(3.856)		(3.545)		(3.506)		(3.506)	
3	2.795	124.001	2.560	42.538	2.508	33.496	2.502	32.589	2.502	32.499
	(5.490)		(4.323)		(4.089)		(4.089)		(4.089)	
4	3.762	177.186	3.527	71.149	3.482	59.092	3.477	57.884	3.476	57.763
	(5.646)		(4.673)		(4.517)		(4.478)		(4.478)	
5	4.738	235.701	4.509	106.978	4.469	91.906	4.465	90.397	4.464	90.246
	(5.801)		(4.945)		(4.828)		(4.790)		(4.790)	

Table S2. Effect of $K_{\rm M}$ on cocaine peak concentration (Peak in μ M) and the area under curve (AUC2_∞ in μ M·min) in the brain when $k_{\rm cat} = 4.1 \text{ min}^{-1}$. Physiological concentration (0.035 μ M) of the enzyme in plasma is used in the modeling.

Table S3. Effect of k_{cat} on cocaine peak concentration (Peak in μ M) and the area under curve (AUC2_{∞} in μ M·min) in the brain when $K_{M} = 4.5 \mu$ M. Physiological concentration (0.035 μ M) of the enzyme in plasma is used in the modeling.

COC	$k_{\rm cat}({\rm min}^{-1})$									
(µM)	4.1		41		410		4100		41000	
	Peak (µM·min)	AUC2∞ (µM·min)	Peak (µM·min)	AUC2 $_{\infty}$ (μ M·min)	Peak (µM·min)	AUC2∞ (µM·min)	Peak (µM·min)	$AUC2_{\infty}$ (μ M·min)	Peak (µM·min)	$\begin{array}{c} AUC2_{\infty}\\ (\mu M \cdot min) \end{array}$
1	0.908	35.101	0.560	3.708	0.157	0.371	0.022	0.037	0.002	0.004
	(5.101)		(2.261)		(0.665)		(0.129)		(0.020)	
2	1.842	76.529	1.178	8.141	0.342	0.816	0.048	0.082	0.005	0.008
	(5.295)		(2.416)		(0.704)		(0.133)		(0.020)	
3	2.795	124.001	1.842	13.300	0.553	1.335	0.079	0.134	0.008	0.013
	(5.490)		(2.533)		(0.704)		(0.137)		(0.021)	
4	3.762	177.186	2.544	19.181	0.790	1.927	0.114	0.193	0.012	0.019
	(5.646)		(2.650)		(0.743)		(0.140)		(0.021)	
5	4.738	235.701	3.278	25.785	1.050	2.593	0.153	0.260	0.016	0.026
	(5.801)		(2.727)		(0.782)		(0.144)		(0.022)	

Table S4. Lookup table for the predicted cocaine peak concentration, the peak time (Ptime in min), $t_{b1/2}$, and the area under curve in human brain (AUC2_{∞}) with a given initial concentration of cocaine with CocE or CocH or endogenous wtBChE when [E] = 0.5 μ M. The K_M values are given in μ M, and the k_{cat} values are given in min⁻¹.

COC			CocE		CocH1		CocH2		CocH3	
(µM)	$(K_{\rm M}=4.5, k_{\rm cat}=4.1)$		$(K_{\rm M}=0.64, k_{\rm cat}=468)$		$(K_{\rm M}=3.1, k_{\rm cat}=3060)$		$(K_{\rm M}=1.1, k_{\rm cat}=1730)$		$(K_{\rm M}=3.1, k_{\rm cat}=5700)$	
	Peak	AUC2∞	Peak	AUC2∞	Peak	AUC2∞	Peak	$AUC2_{\infty}$	Peak	$AUC2_{\infty}$
	(Ptime)	(µM·min)	(Ptime)	(µM·min)	(Ptime)	(µM·min)	(Ptime)	(µM·min)	(Ptime)	(µM·min)
	$(t_{b1/2})$	(I ⁻)	$(t_{b1/2})$	Q	$(t_{b1/2})$	(r.)	$(t_{b1/2})$	(I ⁻)	$(t_{b1/2})$	
1	0.488	2.596	0.003	0.005	0.002	0.003	0.001	0.002	0.001	0.001
	(1.949)		(0.020)		(0.014)		(0.010)		(0.008)	
	(3.235)		(1.073)		(1.080)		(1.045)		(1.085)	
5	2.923	18.062	0.045	0.072	0.012	0.020	0.014	0.022	0.007	0.010
	(2.348)		(0.034)		(0.016)		(0.013)		(0.009)	
	(3.852)		(1.059)		(1.078)		(1.080)		(1.084)	
50	43.227	748.954	3.416	5.827	0.617	0.979	1.005	1.608	0.334	0.526
	(4.448)		(0.212)		(0.041)		(0.062)		(0.023)	
	(13.267)		(1.076)		(1.091)		(1.071)		(1.070)	
100	92.703	2760.721	12.468	22.963	2.301	3.698	3.843	6.290	1.254	1.986
	(5.397)		(0.372)		(0.072)		(0.116)		(0.040)	
	(24.851)		(1.110)		(1.061)		(1.053)		(1.093)	
200	193.961	10573.310	43.112	90.908	8.700	14.348	14.524	24.857	4.798	7.708
	(6.346)		(0.665)		(0.133)		(0.219)		(0.073)	
	(48.900)		(1.206)		(1.077)		(1.076)		(1.098)	

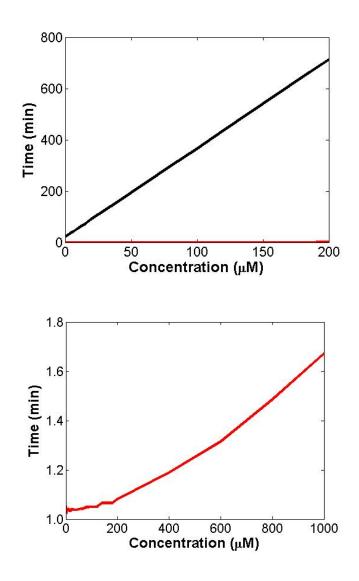


Figure S1. Plots of cocaine half-life in brain ($t_{b1/2}$) *versus* the initial cocaine concentration in plasma ($x_1(0)$). Upper panel (with black line): with only 0.035 µM wtBChE (endogenous BChE, without any exogenous enzyme) in plasma. Lower panel (with red line): in the presence of 0.035 µM CocH3 in plasma.

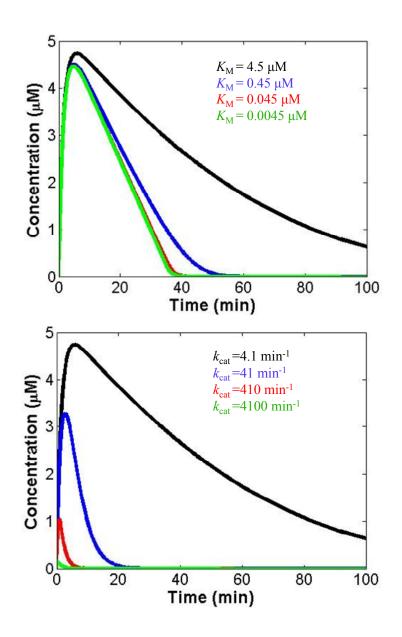


Figure S2. Impact of $K_{\rm M}$ and $k_{\rm cat}$ of the cocaine-metabolizing enzyme on the cocaine concentration (μ M) in brain for a given initial cocaine concentration of 5 μ M in plasma. Upper panel: $k_{\rm cat}$ =4.1 min⁻¹ with various $K_{\rm M}$ values. Lower panel: $K_{\rm M}$ = 4.5 μ M with various $k_{\rm cat}$ values.

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