

**Supplementary Material for  
Assessing and Resolving Model Misspecifications in Metabolic Flux Analysis**

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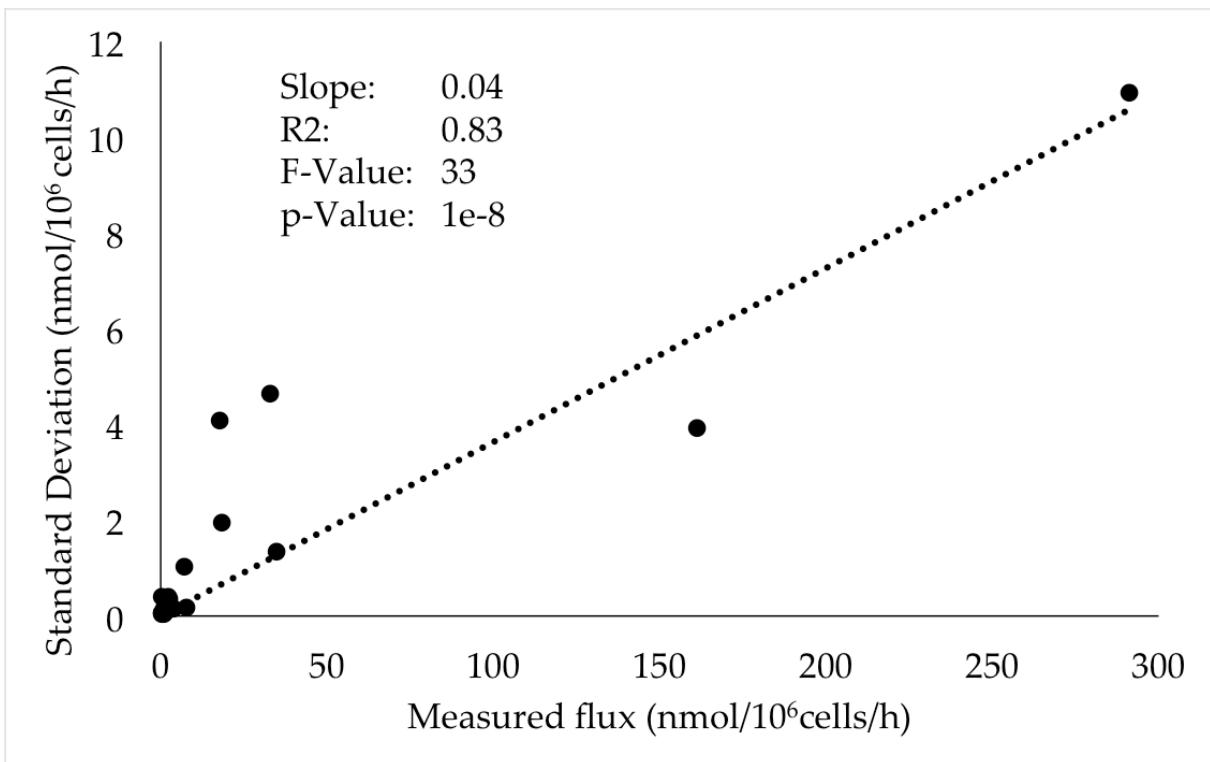
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**Table S1.** Metabolic reactions and exchange fluxes in the Chinese hamster ovary metabolic model (adapted from [16,25]).

#	Formula
1	Glc → G6P
2	G6P → 2 DHAP
3	DHAP → Pyr
4	G6P → R5P
5	Pyr → Lac
6	mAcCoA → AcOH
7	Mal → Pyr
8	mPyr → mAcCoA
9	mAcCoA + mOxal → mCit
10	mCit → mαKG
11	mαKG → mSucCoA
12	mSucCoA → mSuc
13	mSuc → mMAl
14	mMal → mOxal
15	Oxal → Mal
16	Glu + Pyr → αKG + Ala
17	mGlu → Amm + mαKG
18	Glu + Amm → Gln
19	Glu + Oxal → Asp + αKG
20	Glu → Pgl
21	Ser → Pyr + Amm
22	Ser → Gly + NMFH4
23	Amm + NMFH4 → Gly
24	Thr → Gly + mAcCoA
25	Cys + αKG → Glu + Pyr
26	His → Glu + NMFH4 + 2 Amm
27	Arg + αKG → 2 Glu
28	Pro → Glu
29	Asn → Amm + Asp
30	Ile + αKG → mSucCoA + Glu + mAcCoA
31	Leu + αKG → mSucCoA → 2 mAcCoA + mSuc + Glu
32	Lys + αKG → Glu + 2 mAcCoA + Amm
33	Met + Ser → mSucCoA + Cys + Amm + NMFH4
34	Phe → Tyr
35	Trp → 2 mAcCoA + Ala + Amm
36	Tyr + αKG + mSuc → mSucCoA → Glu + Mal + 2 mAcCoA
37	Val + αKG → mSucCoA + Glu

38	G6P	→ Carb						
39	9 mCit	+ 9 Mal	→ OA	+ 9 mMal	+ 9 Oxal			
40	1.9 Gln	+ 1.3 Asp	+ 0.5 Gly	+ 1.3 NMFH4	+ R5P	→ 1.9 Glu		
		+ 0.8 Mal	+ DNA					
41	2.091 Gln	+ 1.194 Asp	+ 0.489 Gly	+ 0.978 NMFH4	+ R5P	→ 2.091 Glu		
		+ 0.683 Mal	+ RNA					
42	0.095 Ala	+ 0.048 Asp	+ 0.039 Asn	+ 0.063 Arg	+ 0.028 Cys	+ 0.052 Gln		
		+ 0.064 Glu	+ 0.078 Gly	+ 0.022 His	+ 0.052 Ile	+ 0.088 Leu		
		+ 0.089 Lys	+ 0.02 Met	+ 0.021 Phe	+ 0.028 Pro	+ 0.057 Ser		
		+ 0.061 Thr	+ 0.006 Trp	+ 0.02 Tyr	+ 0.059 Val	→ Prot		
43	mMal	+ αKG	→ mαKG	+ Mal				
44	mMal	+ Cit	→ mCit	+ Mal				
45	Glu	→ mGlu						
46	Pyr	→ mPyr						
47	FoOH	→ NMFH4						
Exchange Fluxes			Measured		Standard deviation			
		→ Ala		-34.9		1.34		
		→ 2 Cys		0.33		0.06		
		→ Gly		-2.39		0.22		
		→ Ser		2.48		0.37		
		→ Thr		1.59		0.17		
		→ Arg		2.38		0.39		
		→ Glu		-0.34		0.41		
		→ Gln		7.08		1.02		
		→ His		0.97		0.15		
		→ Pro		1.93		0.15		
		→ Asp		2.04		0.13		
		→ Asn		2.24		0.20		
		→ Ile		1.41		0.11		
		→ Leu		2.61		0.25		
		→ Lys		1.69		0.12		
		→ Met		0.86		0.05		
		→ Phe		1.15		0.08		
		→ Trp		0.32		0.07		
		→ Tyr		1.05		0.07		
		→ Val		2.18		0.13		
		→ Lac		-291		10.9		
		→ Glc		161		3.93		
		→ Amm		-17.8		4.08		
		→ Carb		-2.14		0.27		
		→ OA		-1.37		0.17		
		→ DNA		-0.31		0.04		
		→ RNA		-0.93		0.11		
		→ Prot		-32.9		4.64		
		→ Ala + Gln		18.3		1.96		
		→ FoOH		-7.75		0.19		
		→ AcOH		-1.07		0.06		
		→ Pyr		-2.83		0.17		
		→ Cit		-1.61		0.11		
		→ Pgl		-4.00		0.17		



**Figure S1** Coefficient of variation analysis of the measured exchange fluxes in CHO cell culture data [16].

**Table S2.** Intracellular flux estimates (flux distribution) of the CHO cell culture.

Reaction number	$\hat{v}_{I,GLS}$ ( $\frac{\text{nmol}}{1\text{e}6\text{cells h}}$ )
1	161.2
2	157.8
3	315.5
4	1.2
5	291.2
6	1.1
7	19.6
8	15.0
9	12.5
10	-1.5
11	17.8
12	17.4
13	18.1
14	12.5
15	12.3
16	19.3
17	-0.2
18	-21.5
19	0.0
20	4.0
21	-6.8
22	7.2
23	-1.3
24	-0.4
25	0.0
26	0.3
27	0.3
28	1.0
29	1.0
30	-0.3
31	-0.2
32	-1.2
33	0.2
34	0.5
35	0.1
36	0.9
37	0.3
38	2.1
39	1.4
40	0.3
41	0.9
42	32.3
43	19.5
44	-1.6
45	-0.2
46	15.0
47	-7.8

**Table S3** Case study II: Other misspecification tests using the F-test (values represent rates)

m	$n_{v_1}$	$n_{v_E}$	$n_{v_0}$	CoV	TP	FN	FP	TN	
100	60	45	2	0.01	0.93	0.07	0.10	0.90	
				0.05	0.89	0.11	0.11	0.89	
				0.1	0.88	0.12	0.10	0.90	
				0.2	0.82	0.19	0.09	0.91	
	5		5	0.01	1.00	0.00	0.12	0.88	
				0.05	1.00	0.00	0.11	0.89	
				0.1	0.99	0.01	0.12	0.88	
				0.2	0.99	0.01	0.12	0.89	
	10		10	0.01	1.00	0.00	0.14	0.86	
				0.05	1.00	0.00	0.12	0.88	
				0.1	1.00	0.00	0.13	0.88	
				0.2	0.99	0.01	0.12	0.88	
m	$n_{v_1}$	$n_{v_E}$	$n_{v_0}$	CoV	TP	FN	FP	TN	
100	60	55	2	0.01	0.97	0.03	0.11	0.90	
				0.05	0.95	0.05	0.10	0.90	
				0.1	0.91	0.09	0.09	0.91	
				0.2	0.83	0.17	0.10	0.90	
	5		5	0.01	1.00	0.00	0.10	0.90	
				0.05	1.00	0.00	0.11	0.89	
				0.1	0.99	0.01	0.08	0.92	
				0.2	0.98	0.02	0.08	0.92	
	10		10	0.01	1.00	0.00	0.13	0.87	
				0.05	1.00	0.00	0.11	0.89	
				0.1	1.00	0.00	0.11	0.89	
				0.2	1.00	0.00	0.11	0.89	
m	$n_{v_1}$	$n_{v_E}$	$n_{v_0}$	CoV	TP	FN	FP	TN	
100	55	55	2	0.01	0.84	0.16	0.10	0.90	
				0.05	0.83	0.17	0.11	0.90	
				0.1	0.80	0.20	0.09	0.91	
				0.2	0.72	0.28	0.10	0.90	
	5		5	0.01	0.98	0.02	0.13	0.87	
				0.05	0.98	0.02	0.14	0.86	
				0.1	0.97	0.04	0.13	0.87	
				0.2	0.93	0.07	0.11	0.89	
	10		10	0.01	1.00	0.00	0.14	0.86	
				0.05	1.00	0.00	0.13	0.87	
				0.1	1.00	0.00	0.14	0.86	
				0.2	0.99	0.01	0.13	0.87	
m	$n_{v_1}$	$n_{v_E}$	$n_{v_0}$	CoV	TP	FN	FP	TN	
100	65	45	2	0.01	0.95	0.05	0.10	0.90	
				0.05	0.93	0.07	0.11	0.90	
				0.1	0.90	0.11	0.10	0.90	
				0.2	0.81	0.19	0.08	0.92	
	5		5	0.01	1.00	0.00	0.12	0.88	
				0.05	1.00	0.00	0.11	0.90	
				0.1	1.00	0.00	0.10	0.90	
				0.2	0.98	0.02	0.10	0.90	
	10		10	0.01	1.00	0.00	0.09	0.91	
				0.05	1.00	0.00	0.12	0.88	

				0.1	1.00	0.00	0.11	0.89
				0.2	1.00	0.00	0.10	0.90
nspecies	n <sub>vI</sub>	n <sub>vE</sub>	n <sub>vOmit</sub>	CoV	TP	FN	FP	TN
50	30	25	2	0.01	0.86	0.14	0.11	0.89
				0.05	0.82	0.18	0.10	0.90
				0.1	0.75	0.25	0.09	0.91
				0.2	0.69	0.31	0.09	0.91
			5	0.01	0.99	0.01	0.10	0.90
				0.05	0.98	0.02	0.10	0.90
				0.1	0.97	0.03	0.10	0.90
				0.2	0.92	0.08	0.11	0.89
		10	10	0.01	1.00	0.00	0.10	0.90
				0.05	1.00	0.00	0.09	0.91
				0.1	1.00	0.00	0.09	0.91
				0.2	0.99	0.02	0.11	0.90
m	n <sub>vI</sub>	n <sub>vE</sub>	n <sub>vO</sub>	CoV	TP	FN	FP	TN
200	120	100	2	0.01	0.76	0.24	0.11	0.89
				0.05	0.73	0.27	0.10	0.90
				0.1	0.67	0.33	0.07	0.93
				0.2	0.58	0.42	0.10	0.90
			5	0.01	0.97	0.03	0.16	0.84
				0.05	0.95	0.05	0.11	0.89
				0.1	0.94	0.07	0.13	0.87
				0.2	0.88	0.12	0.13	0.88
			10	0.01	1.00	0.00	0.15	0.85
				0.05	0.99	0.01	0.16	0.84
				0.1	1.00	0.01	0.13	0.87
				0.2	0.98	0.02	0.15	0.85
		20	20	0.01	1.00	0.00	0.14	0.86
				0.05	1.00	0.00	0.14	0.86
				0.1	1.00	0.00	0.15	0.86
				0.2	1.00	0.00	0.14	0.86

**Table S4** Case study II: Performance of RESET tests on homoscedastic data (values represent rates).

<i>m</i>	<i>n<sub>v1</sub></i>	<i>n<sub>vF</sub></i>	<i>n<sub>v0</sub></i>	CoV <sup>a</sup>	RESET test ( <i>p</i> = 1)				RESET test ( <i>p</i> = 2)			
					TP	FN	FP	TN	TP	FN	FP	TN
100	60	50	2	<b>0.01</b>	0.09	0.91	0.05	0.95	0.21	0.79	0.05	0.95
				<b>0.05</b>	0.08	0.92	0.04	0.96	0.19	0.81	0.05	0.95
				<b>0.1</b>	0.08	0.92	0.05	0.95	0.20	0.80	0.06	0.94
				<b>0.2</b>	0.07	0.93	0.04	0.96	0.17	0.83	0.05	0.95
	5	5	5	<b>0.01</b>	0.09	0.91	0.04	0.96	0.29	0.71	0.05	0.95
				<b>0.05</b>	0.10	0.90	0.04	0.96	0.31	0.69	0.04	0.96
				<b>0.1</b>	0.11	0.89	0.06	0.94	0.30	0.71	0.05	0.95
				<b>0.2</b>	0.10	0.90	0.04	0.96	0.30	0.70	0.04	0.96
	10	10	10	<b>0.01</b>	0.12	0.88	0.06	0.94	0.41	0.59	0.05	0.95
				<b>0.05</b>	0.11	0.89	0.05	0.96	0.42	0.58	0.04	0.96
				<b>0.1</b>	0.11	0.89	0.05	0.95	0.41	0.59	0.06	0.94
				<b>0.2</b>	0.13	0.87	0.06	0.94	0.43	0.57	0.05	0.95

<sup>a</sup>*In silico* were generated in the same manner as in Case Study II, but using independent and identically distributed Gaussian noise with a constant variance (i.e. homoscedastic noise) at the specified CoV.

**Table S5** Case study III: Iterative procedure for resolving model misspecification in the CHO model ( $k = 2$ ).

<b>k</b>	Number of remaining reactions <sup>a</sup>			
	<b>n<sub>extra</sub></b>	<b>n<sub>omit</sub></b>	<b>Extra reactions</b>	<b>Omitted reactions</b>
2	5	5	0	0
	8	8	0	0

<sup>a</sup>The number of remaining reactions corresponds to the average over 100 generations of the stoichiometric matrix  $\mathbf{S}_{l,\text{true}}$ , of the median number across 100 in silico data simulations.