

IH Mod 2.0 deterministic and  
probabilistic exposure models  
for industrial hygiene and consumer  
product applications  
*(in MS Excel)*

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# Introduction

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IH Mod 2.0 is a suite of eleven mathematical models to estimate air concentrations of chemicals. It is freely available from the AIHA Exposure Assessment Strategies Committee web page.

This version contains the models from the first edition of IH Mod, as either deterministic or using Monte Carlo Simulation (directly in MS Excel) for probabilistic modeling with parameter variability/uncertainty. ***Note: it works ONLY with MS Excel due to extensive reliance on Excel functions and MS VBA. It does NOT require a new high end PC.***

Today, we will briefly look at the tool's contents and illustrate its use for selected scenario. We will tread lightly on parameter values and data sources.

IH Mod 2.0's main use is for occupational task inhalation exposure assessment, but is also relevant to consumer product inhalation exposures.

# Scenario for this talk. Use of a high volatility solvent (1-Bromopropane) in a dry cleaning operation

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## Specific tasks

- Addition of 5 gallons of the solvent through the front door of a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation (dry to dry cycle) dry cleaning machine
- Removal of clothes at end of dry cleaning cycle and exposure to residual solvent vapor from the dry cleaning machine

Blando 2010, *Journal of the Air & Waste Management Association*, 60:9, 1049-1056,

- Shop A volume 280 m<sup>3</sup>
- Number of solvent additions and load/unload cycles

## Ventilation rate not specified in the Blando report

- Assume Air Changes per Hour from *US EPA EPA Document# 740-R1-5001 February 2016*
- Other determinants derived from the same EPA document

Evaluate near field operator exposures, for tasks and full shift average

# What is in IH Mod 2.0?

The screenshot shows the IH Mod 2.0 interface. At the top left is the AIHA logo with the tagline 'Protecting Worker Health' and 'Exposure Assessment Strategies Committee'. Below it is a language dropdown menu set to 'English'. To the right, there are two dice icons labeled 'Deterministic' and 'Monte Carlo'. A large green 'Start' button is prominent. Below the 'Start' button is a book cover titled 'Mathematical Models for Estimating Occupational Exposure to Chemicals'. At the bottom, there is an 'Optimize Zoom' section with buttons for 720p, 1080p, 1440p, and 2000p. Several callout boxes provide additional information:

- Language:** It is available in multiple languages, and more yet given volunteers to complete translations!
- Resolution:** Choose a screen resolution that suits your computer (but you can zoom too)
- Support File:** There is a Support file that I will discuss in this presentation
- Action:** Click Here to Start
- System Requirements:** IH Mod 2.0 uses a lot of system resources, but we have run it in Windows 7, Excel 2010 on a 10 year old netbook with an Atom processor and just 2 GB of ram.

Additional text on the interface includes: 'This Excel workbook contains several algorithms found useful for calculating airborne concentrations of chemicals. Each equation included with this spreadsheet has been described in the literature.' and 'A Support File for IH Mod is also available. It provides additional explanations, examples, and calculation aids.'

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# Then, (after disclaimer) model selection, from eleven currently included

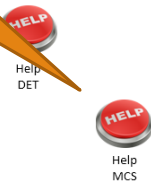
The user gets to choose which to Start



## IH Mod 2.0



To Help (explanation) screens for deterministic of MCS versions



	Deterministic	Monte Carlo
1 Well Mixed Box Room Model	➔	➔
2 Well-Mixed Room Model with Backpressure	➔	➔
3 Well-Mixed Room Purging Equation	➔	➔
4 Spill Model, Decreasing Emission	➔	➔
5 Turbulent Eddy Diffusion without Advection following a Pulse Release	➔	➔
6 Eddy Diffusion without Advection given a Constant Mass Emission Rate	➔	➔
7 Eddy Diffusion with Advection following Pulse release	➔	➔
8a Two-Zone Model, Constant Emission	➔	➔
8b Two-Zone Model, Decreasing Emission	➔	➔
10 Turbulent Eddy Diffusion with Advection and with a Constant Emission Rate	➔	➔
11 Near and Mid - Field plume models	➔	➔

# The two zone constant generation model MCS version (not set up for the scenario yet)

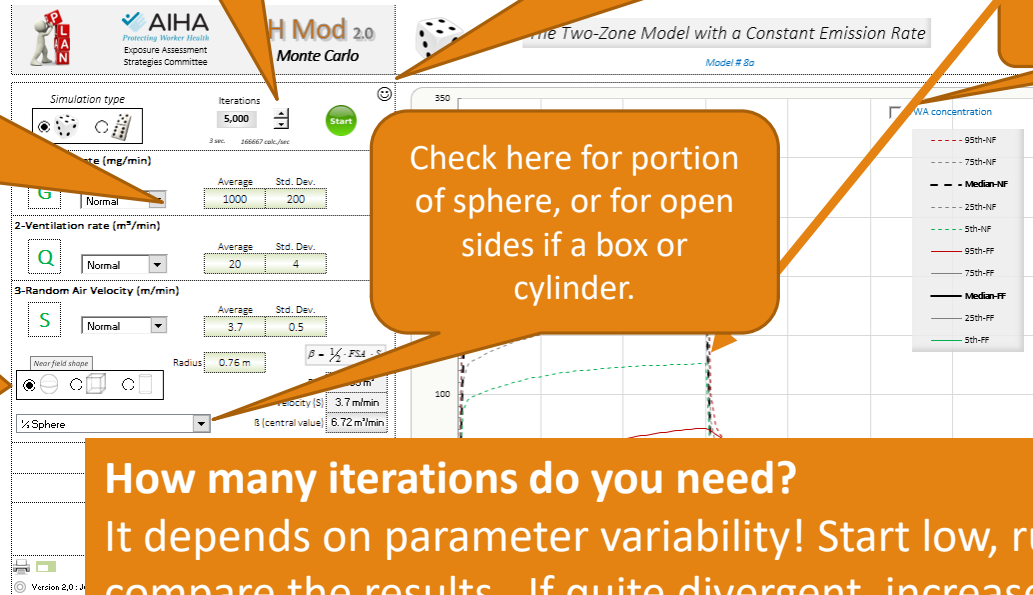
Choose the distribution type and set the parameters.

The normal distribution is truncated to avoid zero and negative values

Set the number of iterations.

Smile = good to go!  
Frown = parameters, etc. not quite right!

Show graph for TWA or C vs T



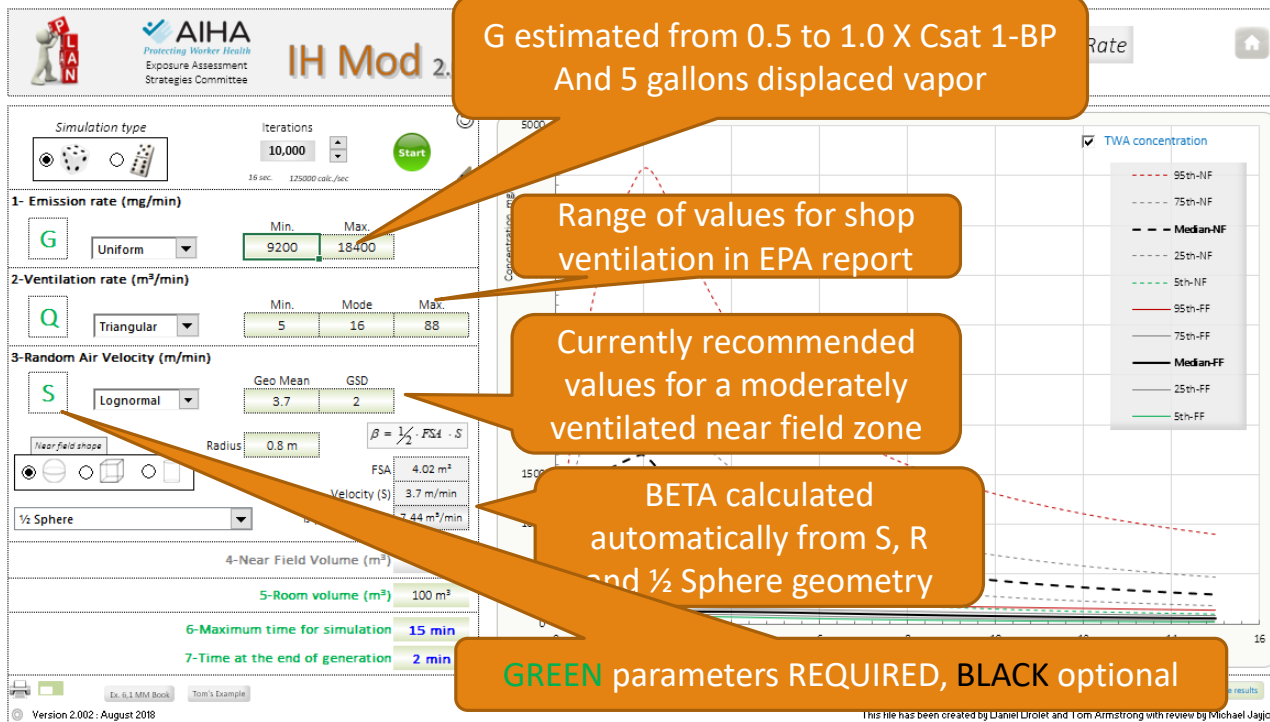
Check here for portion of sphere, or for open sides if a box or cylinder.

**How many iterations do you need?**

It depends on parameter variability! Start low, run twice and compare the results. If quite divergent, increase the iterations until you have satisfactory “stability” from run to run.

Here you define the Near Field shape and calculate Beta. Specify shape, S and FSA, then Beta is set up! Room Volume adjusts too.

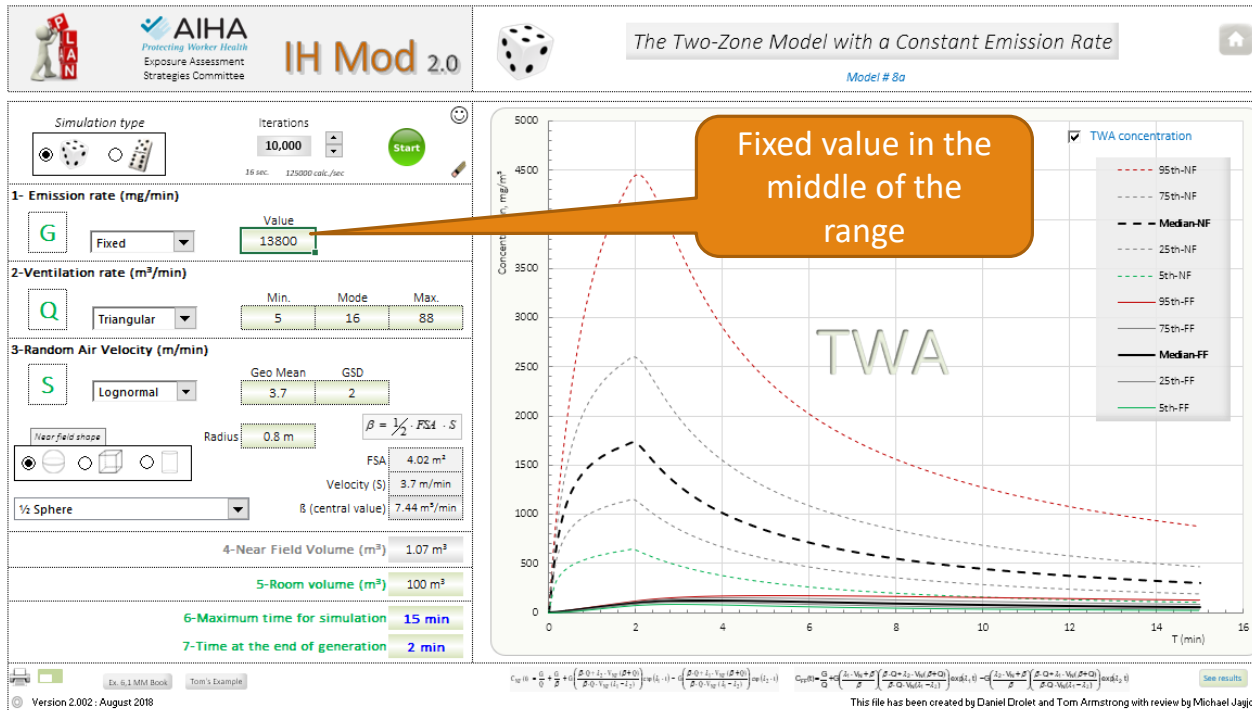
# Modeling solvent addition to a “3<sup>rd</sup> generation” dry cleaning machine , showing TWA to 15 minutes



NEAR FIELD	
15 Min TWA mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
5 <sup>th</sup>	101
Median	294
75 <sup>th</sup>	467
95 <sup>th</sup>	899

# The models are easy to rerun with different parameter choices

Set G to fixed value, 13800 mg/min



**NEAR FIELD**

15 Min TWA mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
5 <sup>th</sup>	108
Median	299
95 <sup>th</sup>	880



# Summary results are available via a button on the lower right of the graph section



IH Mod 2.0



Probabilistic Results



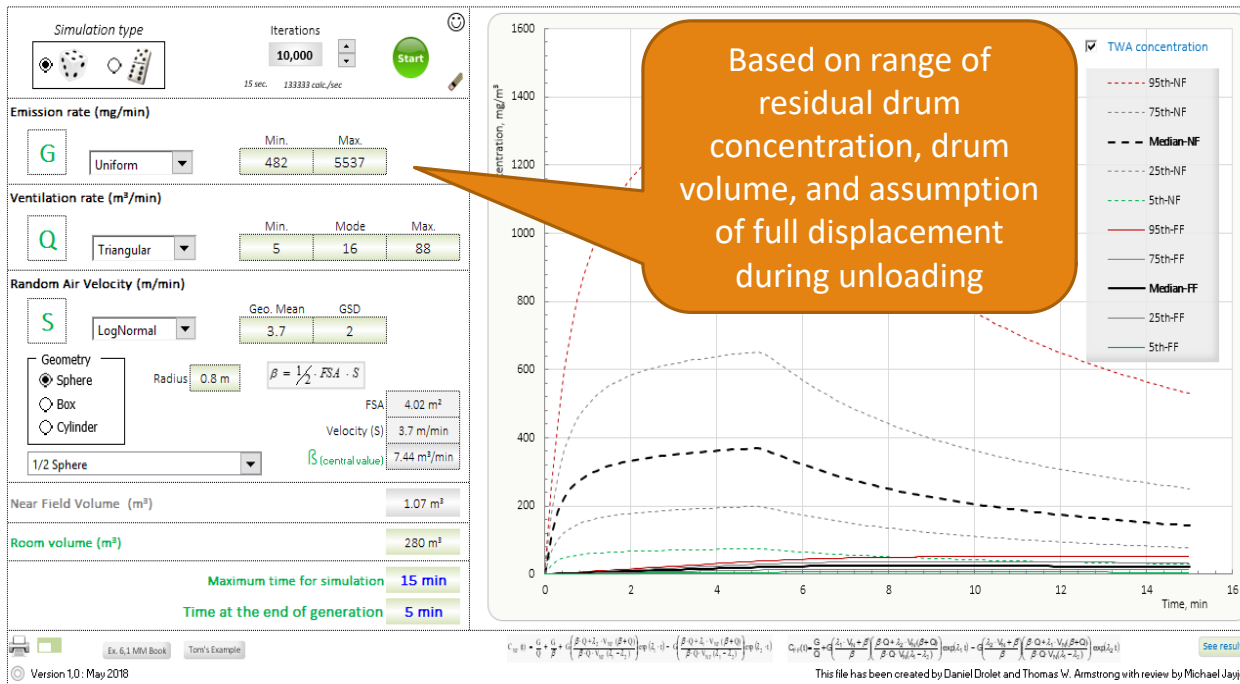
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# Dry cleaning machine unloading task exposure

Modified from App K, EPA Document# 740-R1-5001 February 2016



Near Field mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA	
5 <sup>th</sup>	31
Median	142
75 <sup>th</sup>	251
95 <sup>th</sup>	531
Far Field mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA	
Median	25
75 <sup>th</sup>	45
95 <sup>th</sup>	85


# What is the eight hour TWA?

Via off to the Side calculations

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Estimated 8 hour TWA from one solvent addition + fourteen unloads + remaining time at room background from far field values

Median	= (293 * 15min + 151*14*15 Min + 6.5*240 min) / 480min = 78 mg/m <sup>3</sup> =	<b>15 ppm</b>
75 <sup>th</sup>	= (466*15 min + 262*14*15min + 12*240min) / 480 min = 130 mg/m <sup>3</sup> =	<b>26 ppm</b>
95 <sup>th</sup>	= (902*15 min + 565*14*15min + 41*280min) / 480min = 296 mg/m <sup>3</sup> =	<b>59 ppm</b>



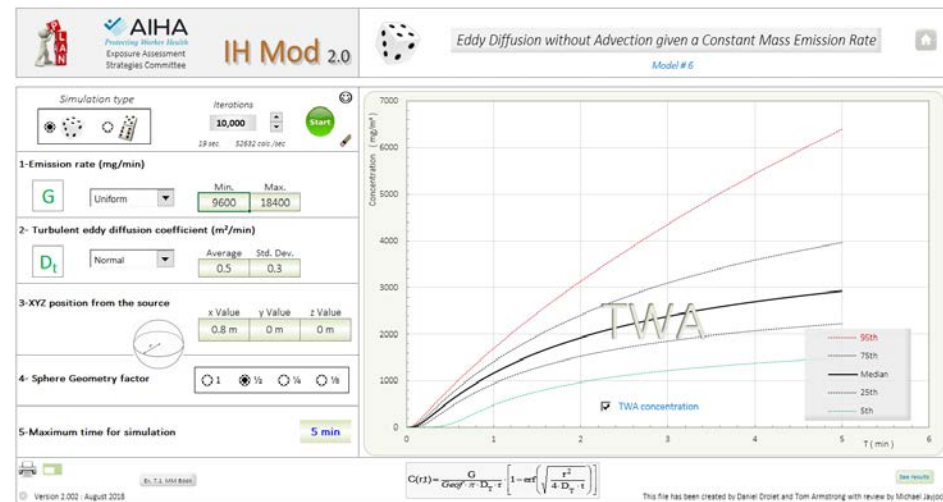
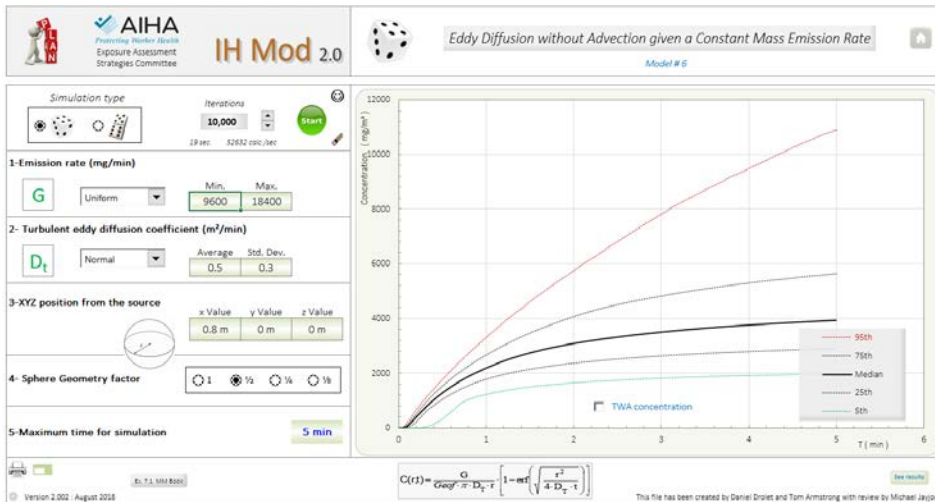
Available\* measured 8 hr TWA

**AM 32 ppm,  
95<sup>th</sup> 82 ppm**

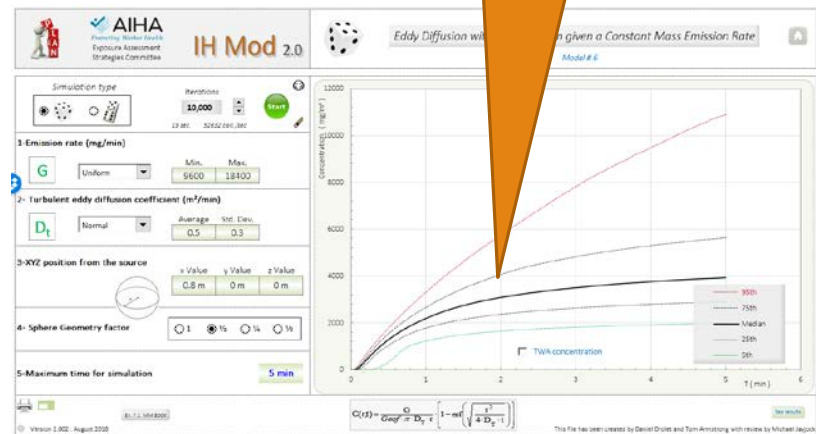
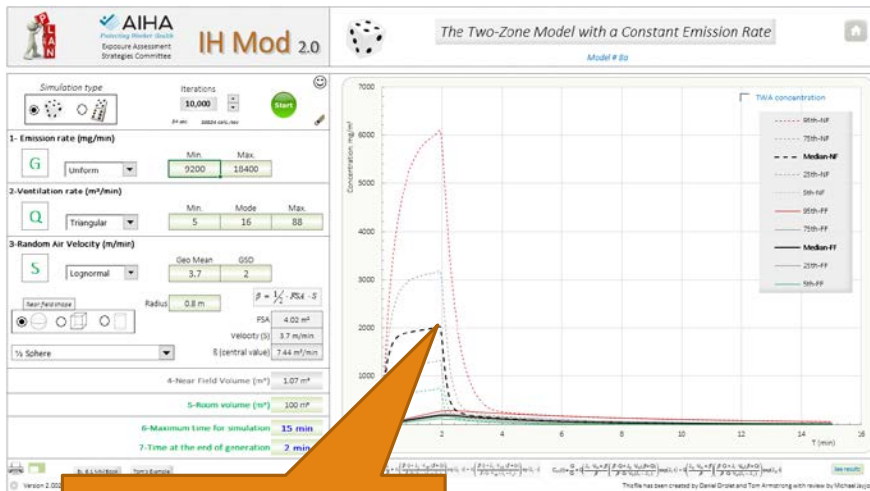
*\*Blando 2010*

# Let's quickly look at one other model, dry cleaning solvent addition, $C_t$ & TWA

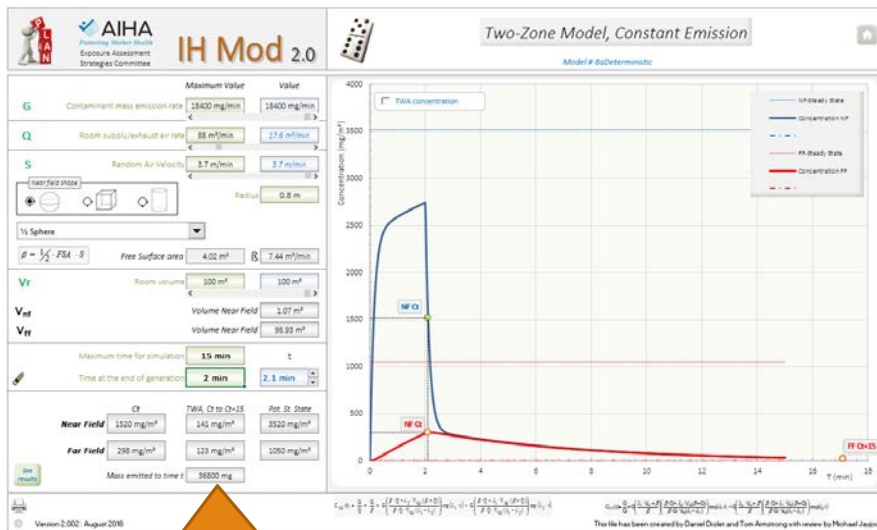
The  $D_T$  value of 0.5 is proving to be a reasonable "default" assumption for moderately ventilated spaces



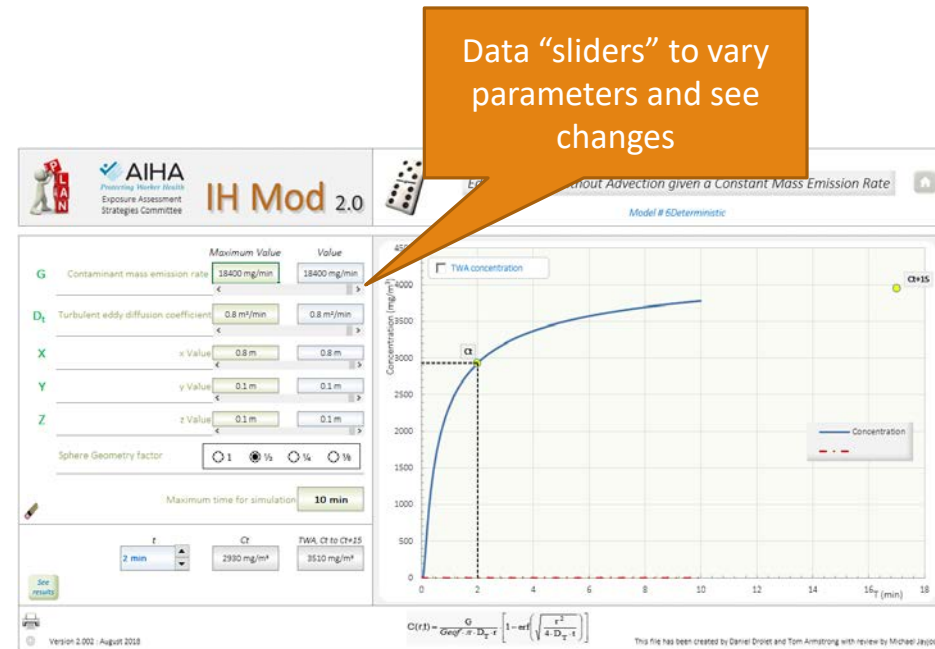
# Comparison: 2 zone vs turbulent diffusion, solvent addition task, $C_t$ curves



# How are the deterministic models different?



Rough "mass balance" calculations in some of the models, mass emitted to time t



Data "sliders" to vary parameters and see changes

# OK, but what about consumer exposures?

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These can still be task based assessments

Usually consumers have lower frequency, duration and intensity of TASK exposure

Usually lower generation rates

Chemicals can be similar or different formulations

Use may be with different room volumes, different ventilation rates

24 hour exposure duration (or more) can be relevant



# We give additional guidance in a support file

<http://bit.ly/eascaiha>

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## IH Mod 2.0

## Support File

**Mathematical Models for Estimating Occupational Exposure to Chemicals**

*Few words from Daniel and Tom* ➔

*Running Macros and Computer requirements* ➔

*Equations and definition of terms* ➔

*Unit Converter* ➔

*Generation rate estimation*  
*Hummel Equation* ➔  
*Problems from MM Book, chapter 2* ➔

**$\alpha$**  *Alpha estimation*  
*Alpha calculation examples* ➔

*Bootstrap procedure* ➔  
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Optimize zoom 720p 1080p 1440p 2000p

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We have been encouraging others to contribute to this file.

We expect expanded contents on parameter choices, sources, and more examples



# What's in the future for IH Mod 2.0?

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Further guidance in the support file for reasonable scenario and specific model default parameters

Further guidance on generation rate estimation

Further guidance on estimation of ventilation rates, near field random air velocity, turbulent diffusion values

Additional model equations? Provide a comparison to Saturated Vapor Concentration?

More examples for each model

Slight revamp of the MCS summary. AM? GSD? Other?

Maintenance

EVERYTHING in IH Mod 2.0 was done on a volunteer basis, and its long term future will depend on **additional volunteer contributions**

For periodic news about IH Mod 2.0, visit the IH Mod BLOG site [www.IHMod.org](http://www.IHMod.org)



## In summary

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IH Mod 2.0 is freeware, openly available and provides transparent, easy to use approaches mathematical modeling and illustration of variability and uncertainty.

It provides for scenario definition and documentation of key exposure determinants

The user can select either deterministic or MCS versions of the multiple algorithms found useful for occupational or downstream user scenario evaluation

The AIHA EASC volunteers involved in developing these tools welcome collaboration on their further development and for translations of the multi-lingual tools

This tool illustrates the potential power of other MCS tools in MS Excel