A web-based simulation environment for metabolic control analysis of cellular network systems

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We developed a web-based environment for elucidating the parameters responsible for the control of flux, which is one of the most important goals of metabolic engineering for new knowledge discovery. Metabolic control analysis aims to characterize the sensitivity of metabolic responses with respect to changes in enzyme activities or parameters at the steady state. It is designed as a user-friendly web interface, allowing users to efficiently analysis and simulates biological reaction network models, thereby facilitating kinetic modeling and simulation of biological systems under development. This makes it suitable for scientists and students with limited computer experience. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS: This work was supported by the Korean Systems Biology Research Program of the Ministry of Science and Technology and by the BK21 project. Further supports from LG Chemicals Chair Professorship and IBM-SUR program are greatly appreciated.