

pharmacokinetics

1. Process of the uptake of drugs by the body, the biotransformation they undergo, the distribution of the drugs and their metabolites in the tissues, and the elimination of the drugs and their metabolites from the body over a period of time.
2. Study of such processes.

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PAC, 2004, 76, 1033 (*Glossary of terms used in toxicokinetics (IUPAC Recommendations 2003)*) on page 1064

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