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e exploration of marine ecosystems has long captivated scientists, o ering a wealth of biodiversity and untapped potential for pharmaceutical discovery. Within the depths of the oceans, an extraordinary array of marine organisms-from corals and sponges to algae and microorganisms-produce a diverse repertoire of bioactive compounds with intriguing pharmacological properties ese marine-derived drugs have emerged as a frontier in drug [1]. discovery, holding promise for novel therapeutics to combat a wide range of diseases. Understanding the pharmacokinetics of marinederived drugs is essential for harnessing their therapeutic potential e ectively. Pharmacokinetics encompasses the study of how drugs are absorbed, distributed, metabolized, and excreted by the body-a crucial aspect in determining their e cacy, safety, and dosing regimens. unique chemical structures and biological origins of marine-derived compounds introduce distinctive pharmacokinetic challenges and opportunities [2].

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e vast and diverse ecosystems of the world's oceans have long captivated humanity's curiosity. Beyond their aesthetic appeal and ecological importance, marine environments harbor a treasure trove of biochemical compounds with immense therapeutic potential [3]. Among these, marine-derived drugs have emerged as a promising frontier in pharmaceutical research, o ering novel solutions to a myriad of health challenges. Understanding the pharmacokinetics of these compounds is crucial for unlocking their therapeutic e cacy and ensuring their safe use in clinical settings [4].

Pharmacokinetics: understanding the journey of drugs in the body

Pharmacokinetics is the study of how drugs move through the body. It encompasses processes such as Absorption, Distribution, Metabolism, and Excretion (ADME). ese pharmacokinetic parameters play a pivotal role in determining the drug's concentration at the site of action, its duration of action, and potential side e ects. Understanding the pharmacokinetics of marine-derived drugs is essential for optimizing their therapeutic e cacy and minimizing adverse reactions [5].

Absorption: crossing biological barriers

Distribution: navigating the circulatory system

Once absorbed into the bloodstream, drugs are distributed throughout the body to reach their target tissues or organs. Distribution is in uenced by factors such as blood ow, tissue perfusion, protein binding, and lipid solubility. Marine-derived drugs may exhibit unique distribution pro les due to their chemical structure and a nity for speci c tissues or cellular receptors [7]. Some marine-derived compounds have been found to possess extraordinary potency in targeting cancer cells or pathogens while sparing healthy tissues, a phenomenon known as selective distribution. Understanding the distribution kinetics of these drugs is crucial for optimizing dosing regimens and minimizing o -target e ects [8].

Metabolism: enzymatic transformation

Metabolism refers to the biochemical transformation of drugs by enzymes, primarily in the liver and other tissues. Marine-derived drugs undergo metabolic reactions, including oxidation, reduction, hydrolysis, and conjugation, which can alter their pharmacological

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activity and facilitate their elimination from the body. e metabolic fate of these compounds depends on factors such as enzyme speci city, substrate speci city, and metabolic stability. Marine organisms produce a diverse array of biocatalysts, some of which exhibit unique metabolic capabilities. Enzymes derived from marine microbes, for instance, have been employed in biotransformation processes to synthesize drug metabolites or enhance the bioavailability of pharmaceutical compounds. Harnessing these marine-derived enzymes holds promise for optimizing the metabolism of marine-derived drugs and improving their pharmacokinetic pro les [9].