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CONCERNING

Use of the Software Suite **13CFUX2**

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Within the Modeling and Simulation Group of the IBG-1: Biotechnology, affiliated to the Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH, the author Michael Weitzel and co-authors have developed the software suite **13CFLUX2**. Forschungszentrum Jülich holds all intellectual rights, titles and interests in **13CFLUX2** and is interested to have other research groups and educational institutes to also use the software.

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The estimation of *in-vivo* reaction rates for very large metabolic networks, the evaluation of a series of high throughput experiments, as well as the evaluation of nonlinear statistics and experimental design involves a high computational effort. By implementing newly developed simulation algorithms, which are highly tuned for the underlying mathematical problems, using **13CFLUX2** allows to perform ^{13}C -MFA studies on a common desktop computer. Network models and measurements are authored in the FluxML document format.

Unique characteristics of the **13CFLUX2** software suite are:

- significantly improved performance and higher numerical accuracy compared to the predecessor version 13CFLUX and other available software packages for ^{13}C -MFA;
- professional input and output via XML-based file formats and HDF5 (hierarchical data format, version 5);
- a comprehensive error handling including comprehensible error messages;
- statistical analysis of the obtained reaction rate distribution and tools for performing optimal experimental design;
- support for multi-core CPUs and computer clusters.

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