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We study the h -discrete and h -discrete fractional representation of a pharmacokinetics-pharmacodynamics (PK-PD) model describing tumor growth and anticancer effects in continuous time considering a time scale $h\mathbb{N}_0$, where $h > 0$. Since the measurements of the drug concentration in plasma were taken hourly, we consider $h = 1/24$ and obtain the model in discrete time (i.e. hourly). We then continue with fractionalizing the h -discrete nabla operator in the h -discrete model to obtain the model as a system of nabla h -fractional difference equations. In order to solve the fractional h -discrete system analytically, we state and prove some theorems in the theory of discrete fractional calculus. We compare residual squared sum values of the newly introduced models in discrete time with the existing models in continuous time in one table. (Received August 12, 2020)