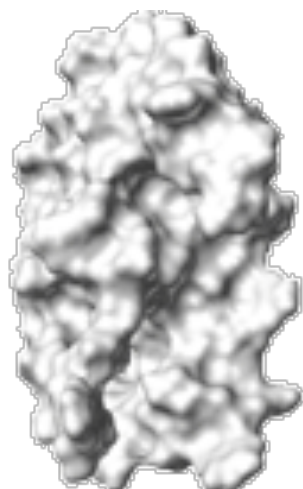


An Example of A Challenging Chemical Space: Protein-Protein Interfaces...



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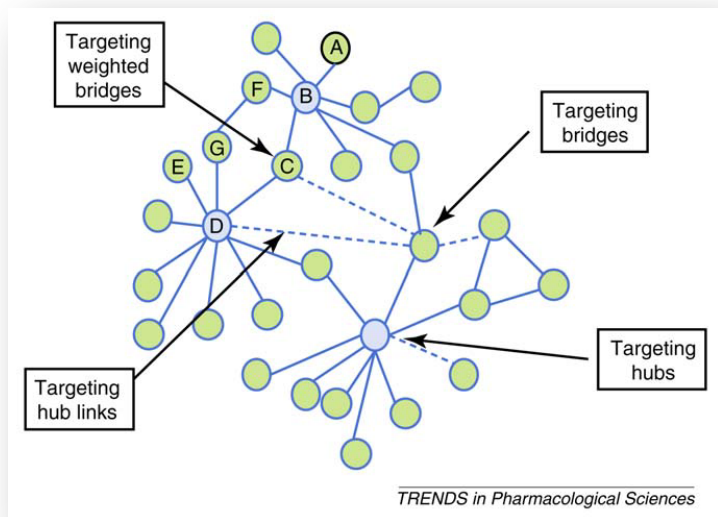
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Estimation of the human interactome
130,000¹ to 650,000²

Some Definitions: PPIs and Networks

- **PPI Networks control pathways involved in normal and pathological actions**

⇒ **In protein-protein interaction networks, the nodes represent proteins and the edges represent the detected protein–protein interactions (PPIs).**



‘Nodes’=Discrete molecules (transcripts, proteins, metabolites...)

‘Edges’ = Functional connection between nodes

‘Hubs’ = Nodes possessing a higher number of functional connections (k) within the network

‘Network’= Scale Free system (their degree distribution follow a power of law) in which most nodes have few links and a few of the nodes are hubs => provide network stability.

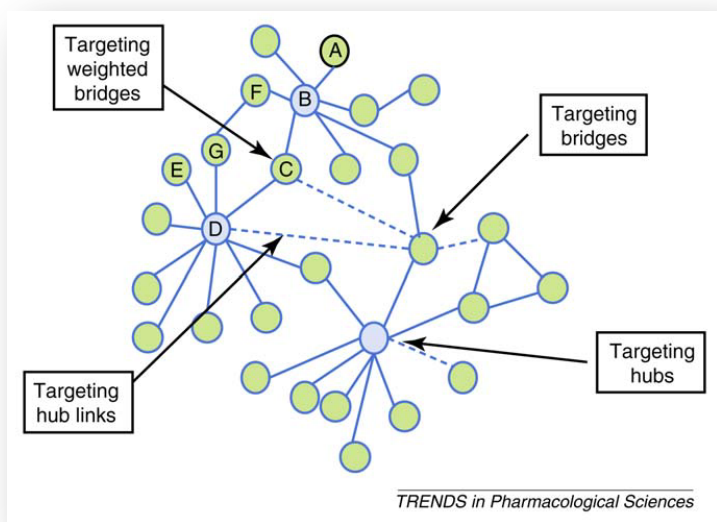
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Hub Targeting vs. 'Edgetic' concept

Targeting a Hub affect the entire network !

For antibiotics, fungicides, pesticides and anticancer compounds development:
Hub targets and multi-target approaches are of interest because network damage corresponds to the desired drug action !

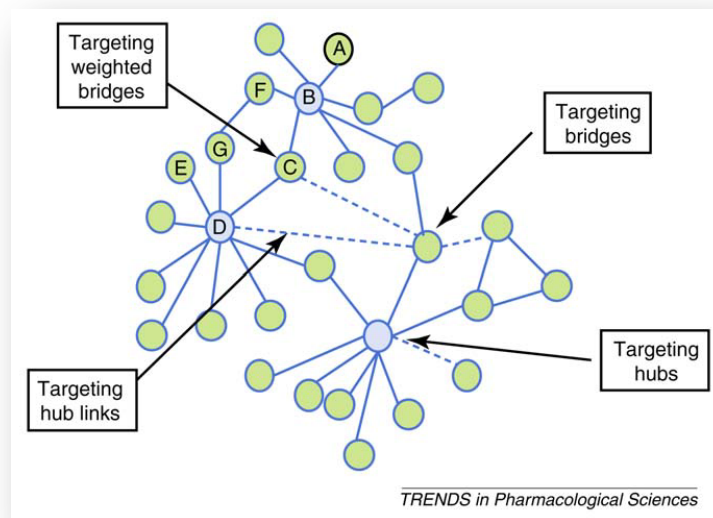


« ...Edge-specific genetic perturbations confer distinct functional consequences from node removal¹... »

One can disrupt information flow between functional modules by targeting bridges !

⇒ Bridging nodes should also be considered as attractive targets for human disease

1- Zhong Q. *et al.* 2009 – Edgetic perturbation models of human inherited disorders Mol. Syst. Biol. 5 321

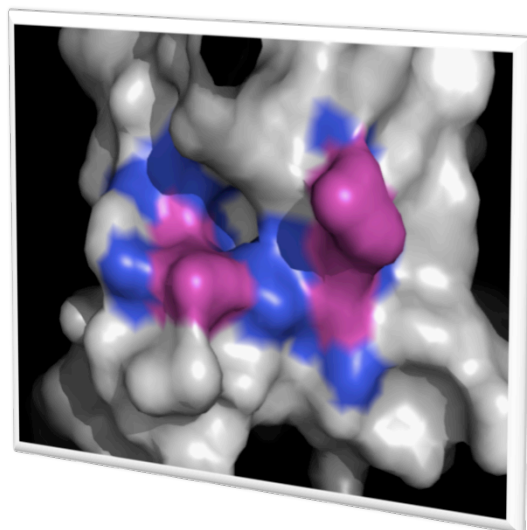


With our efforts targeting Hubs or Bridges, Modulators of PPIs (PPIMs) are the next innovative drugs that will reach the market in the next decade

Can we learn from Success Stories to Accelerate this Goal ?

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Modulators of Protein-Protein Interaction (PPIMs) Looking for the Holy Grail...



Hot Spot Residues

Binding energy can be ascribed to a small set of residues

Clackson, T., and J. A. Wells. 1995. *Science* **267**:383-386.

hundreds molecules identified as PPIMs for ~40 targets

Success Stories

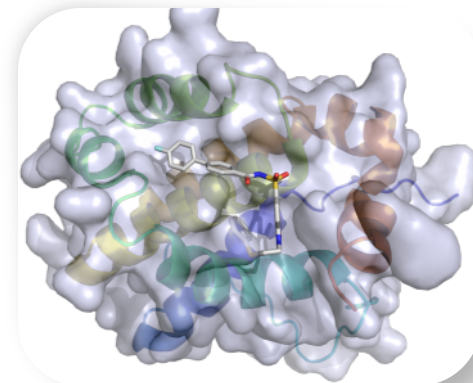
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YES ! But...

“Despite these recent successes, chemoinformatics approaches targeting PPIs still face two main daunting challenges”...

Target Selection:

Can we predict ‘Druggable PPInterfaces’

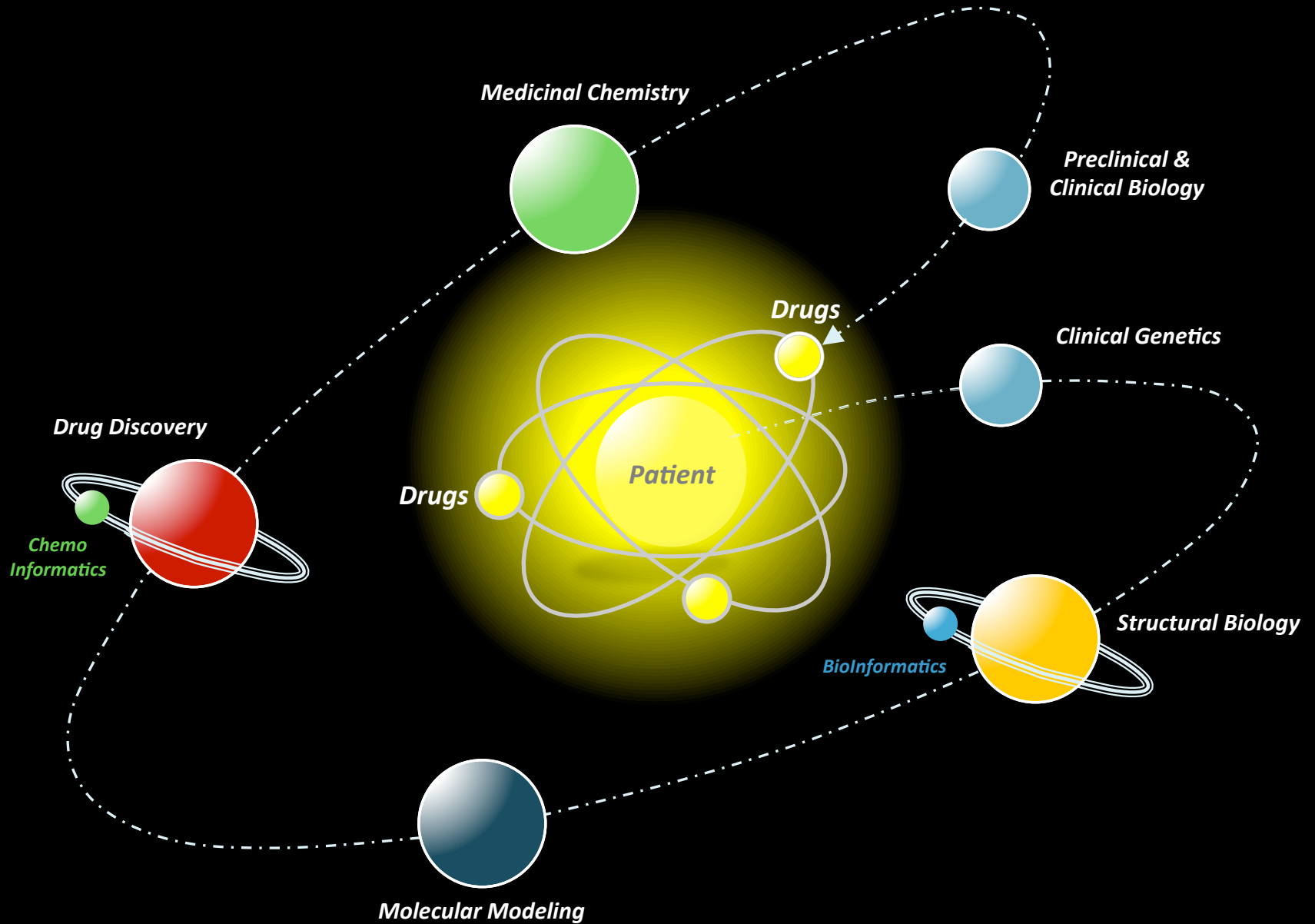


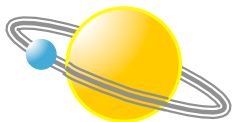
Compounds Selection:

Can we design focused libraries dedicated to PPIs ?



What makes a Protein-Protein Interface (PPI) different from any Enzyme ?

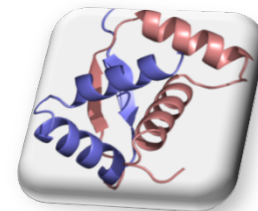




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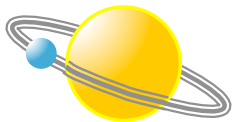
Homo-oligomer particularities:

- Obligate complexes most of the time (denaturation is often necessary)
- Structure and amino-acid composition: Optimized for this oligomeric state
- Interacting zone between two monomers:
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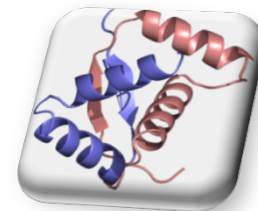
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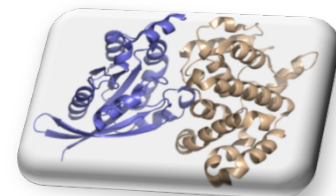
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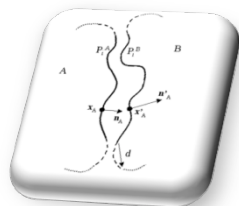
Hetero-oligomer particularities:

- Most of the time, **transient complexes**
- Existence of monomeric state and multimeric state implies many restraints in term of structure and composition in amino acids.
 - ✓ Statistically contact surfaces are **less hydrophobic** and **more planar** compare to homodimers



Transient complexes are great targets for biomedical research since their roles are most often in regulation processes of the cell

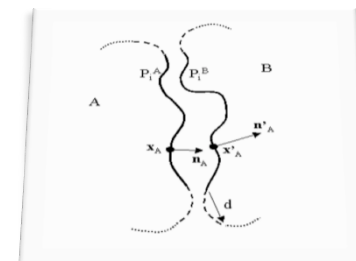
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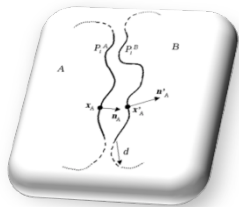
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Interface Size (SASA = Solvent Accessible Surface Area):

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Type of Complex	Homodimers	Heterodimers		Non specific
Average Interacting Surface	3 880 Å²	Transient 'strong'	Transient 'weak'	1 510 Å²
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		Transient 'Average' 1910 Å²		

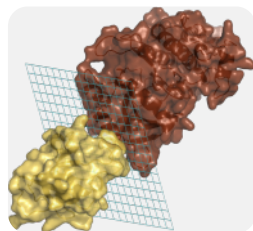


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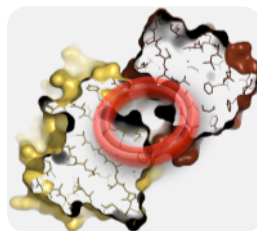
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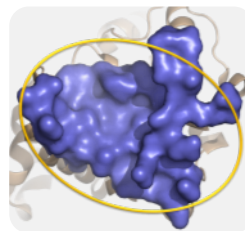
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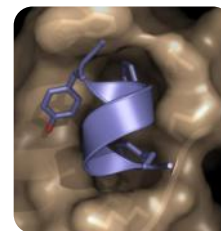
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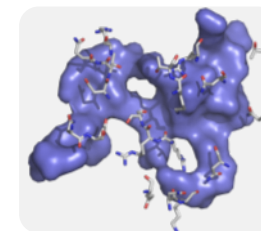
Gap Volume



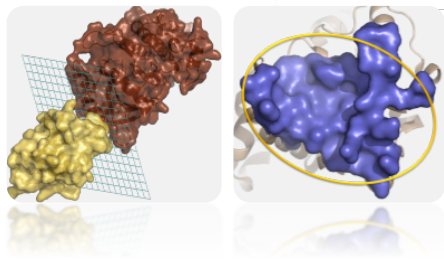
Eccentricity



Pockets



Type of Residues



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Planarity :

- Planarity = Root Mean Square Deviation of all the interface atoms from the least square plane through the atoms (minimum =0)

- ✓ Average value for Homodimers = $3.5 \pm 1.7 \text{ \AA}$
- ✓ Average value for Heterocomplexes = $2.8 \pm 0.9 \text{ \AA}$

⇒ **Protein-Protein Interfaces are generally flat in shape**

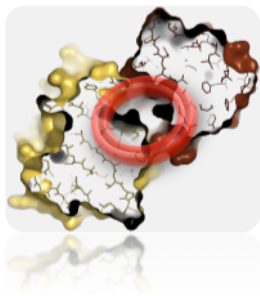
Eccentricity:

- Circularity = Length's Ratio of the principal axes of the least squares plane through the atoms in the interface (ratio=1 means the atoms at the interface are circular)

- ✓ Average value for Homodimers = 0.71 ± 0.17
- ✓ Average value for Heterocomplexes = 0.73 ± 0.05

⇒ **Protein-Protein Interfaces are generally circular**

Jones and Thornton (1996). *Principles of protein-protein interactions*. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA, 93(1), 13-20



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Shape Complementarity – Laskowski -:

$GV(A) = GV \text{ between mol } (A^3) / \text{ Interface area } (A^2) \text{ (per complex)}$

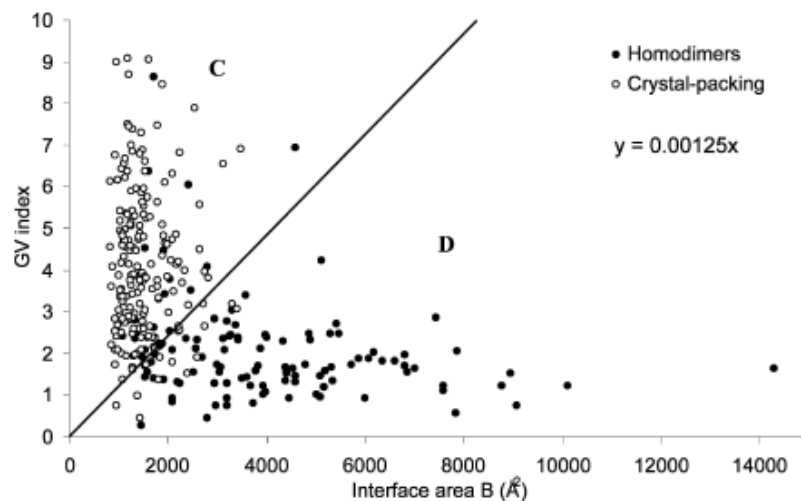
- Average value (Homodimer/Heterodimer): $2.1 \pm 1A^3$
- Average value (Non Specific complexes): $4.4 \pm 1.9A^3$

Local Density – Bahadur, 2004 –

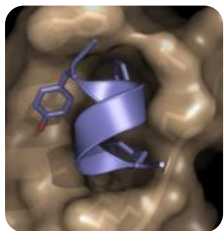
• The Local Density (LD) is the mean number of interface atoms that are within 12Å of another interface atom. The Global Density (GD) measures the atomic density at the interface atoms normalized to the dimensions of the interface

- Average Value of LD = 42-45 for the specific interfaces and 30% lower for crystal packing

=> Gap Volume + LD + GD is a good index to differentiate specific to non specific complexes



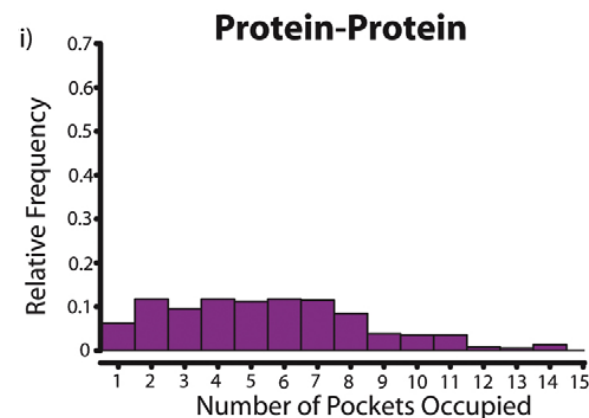
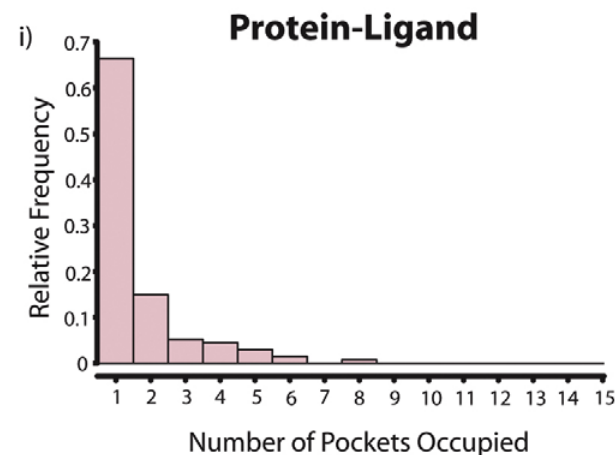
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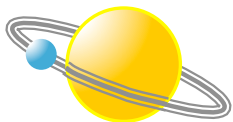
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Pockets at interface :

- PLIs tend to occur in one or two disproportionately large pockets (average volume $260 \text{ \AA}^3$).
 - PPIs tend to occur in several average-sized pockets (6 ± 3) that have a similar active volume to that of the average surface pocket (Average volume $55 \text{ \AA}^3$).
- => PLIs have large and deep pocket (evolved in that sense) – Not the case of heterodimeric PPIs



Fuller, JC *et al.* (2009). Predicting druggable binding sites at the protein-protein interface. *Drug Disc. Today* 14, 155-161.



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Protein-Protein Interfaces & Water Molecules:

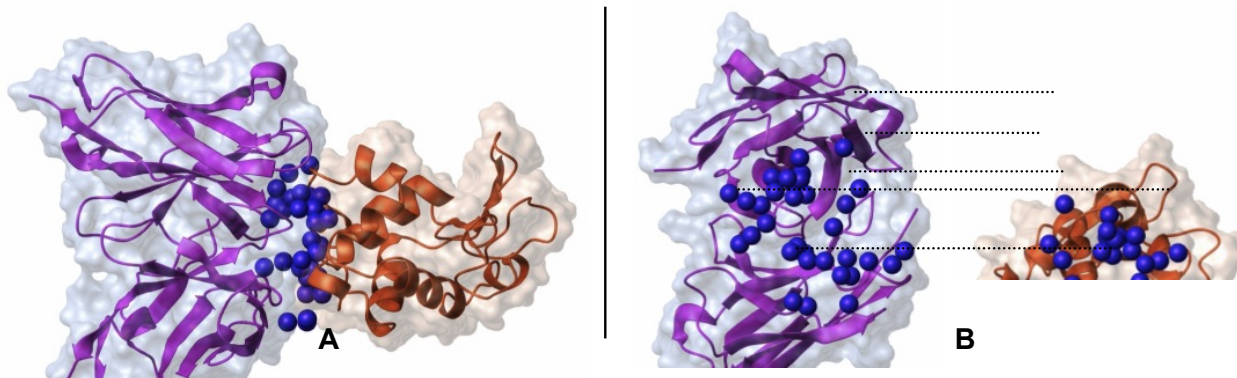
- Excluded solvent molecules always occur during complex formation

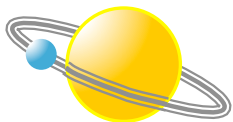
⇒ Favorable hydrophobic effect suggesting that water molecules should be excluded from interaction interfaces to permit complex formation.

- High resolution complexes permit to observe water molecules at the interface:

⇒ Supplementary network of polar interactions

1.5 Å resolution X-ray structure of mouse D1.3 monoclonal antibody fragment Fv in violet complexed to the chicken egg lysozyme in orange (code PDB : 1A2Y, (Dall'Acqua et al. 1998))



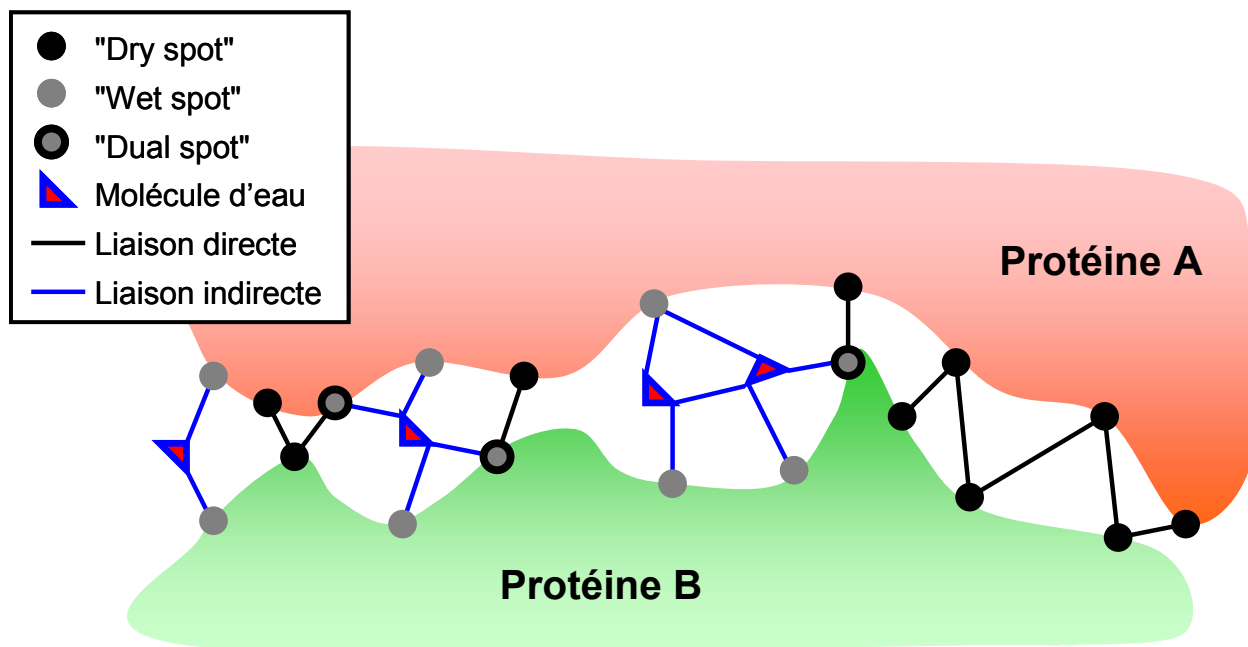


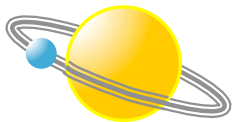
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⇒ The residues interacting through these molecules are called « wet spots »

⇒ The one interacting directly are called « dry spots »

⇒ The one interacting both directly and indirectly are called « dual spots »





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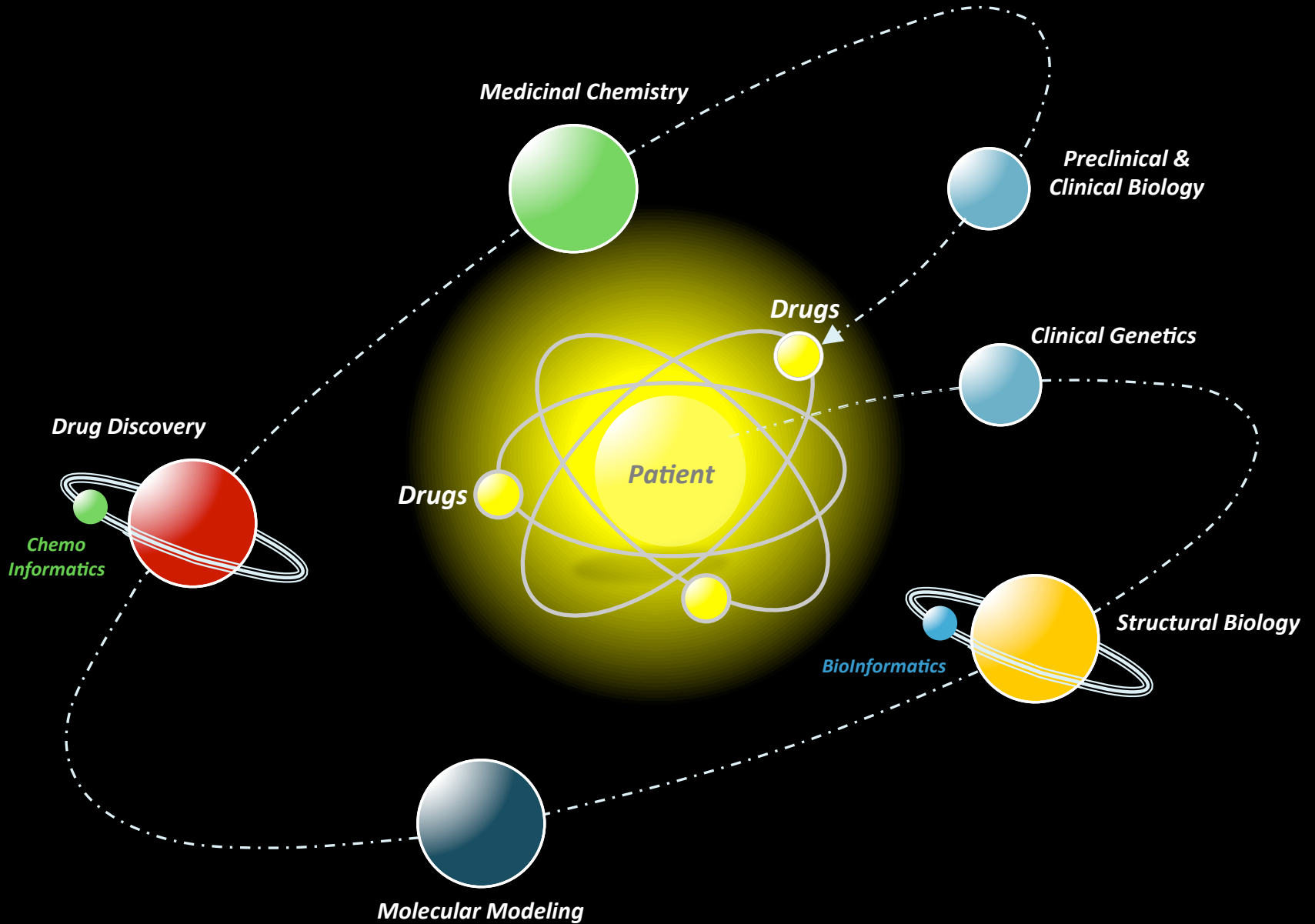
- Average water molecules at 'specific' protein-protein interface
 - **1 water molecule every 100 Å²**
- Average water molecules at 'non specific' protein-protein interface
 - **1 water molecule every 65 Å²**

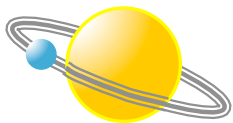
⇒ Bahadur & Zacharias proposed that interaction through water molecules are more common than direct hydrogen bond in PPIs.

⇒ **Be careful in “In Silico Drug Discovery” research projects...** ☹️☹️☹️

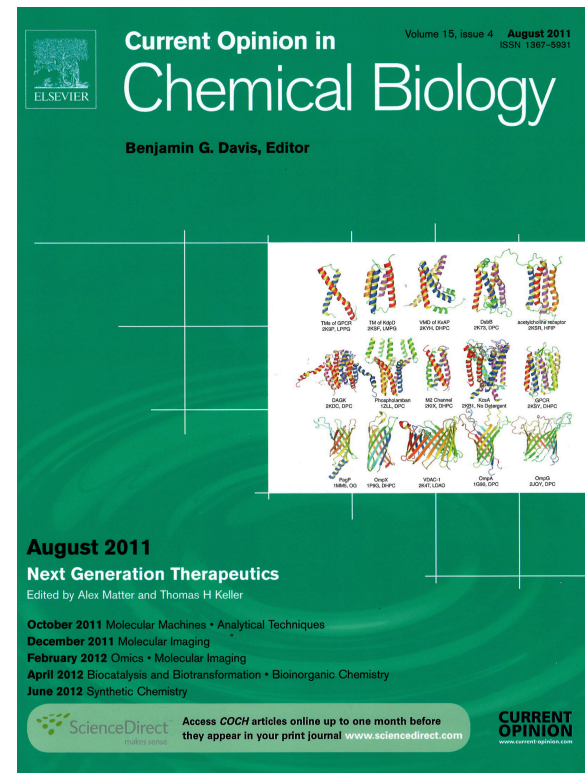
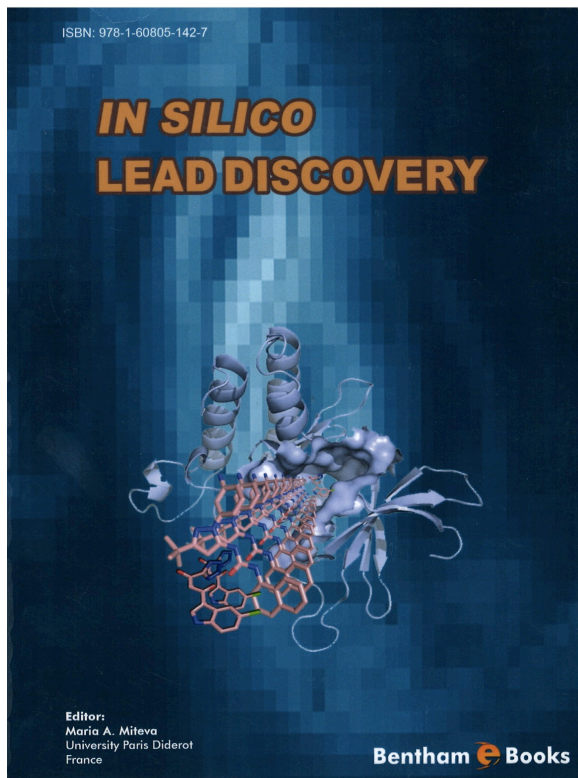
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What makes a PPI a good Target for Drug Discovery ?





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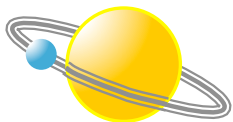
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Chemical and structural lessons from recent successes in protein-protein interaction inhibition (2P2I)

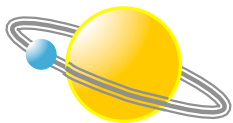
Xavier Morelli, Raphaël Bourgeas and Philippe Roche



'Druggability' Assessment: Pockets Finders

Evolutionary algorithms or Structure-Based algorithms (Geometry & Energy based)		
PocketPicker	Software	http://gecco.org.chemie.uni-frankfurt.de/pocketpicker/index.html
Q-SiteFinder	Web Server	http://www.modelling.leeds.ac.uk/qsitesfinder/
LIGSITE	Web Server	http://projects.biotec.tu-dresden.de/pocket/
Surfnet	Software	http://www.biochem.ucl.ac.uk/~roman/surfnet/surfnet.html
CASTp	Web Server	http://sts.bioengr.uic.edu/castp/
AVP	Software	http://www.bioinf.org.uk/software/avp/
AutoLigand	Software	http://autodock.scripps.edu/resources/autoligand
fpocket	Software	http://fpocket.sourceforge.net/
SiteMap	Software	http://www.schrodinger.com/products/14/20/
Molecular Dynamics Simulations – based Software		
MDpocket	Software	http://fpocket.sourceforge.net/
MetaMethods		
Metapocket	Web Server	http://metapocket.eml.org/
Metapocket2.0	Web Server	http://sysbio.zju.edu.cn/metapocket/

Adapted from Roche & Morelli, . In: Miteva M, editor. *In silico lead discovery: Bentham. Chapter 7, p167-200* and from Marabotti & Milanesi WRJPP, 2012



'Druggability' Assessment: Other Tools

PPI Analysis

PROTORP	Webserver	http://bioinformatics.sussex.ac.uk/protorp/
PDBePISA	Web Server	http://www.ebi.ac.uk/msd-srv/prot_int/pistart.html
PIC	Web Server	http://pic.mbu.iisc.ernet.in/
2P2I _{INSPECTOR}	Webserver	http://2P2Idb.cnrs-mrs.fr

Mathematical Models to Assess Druggability based on physico-chemical properties

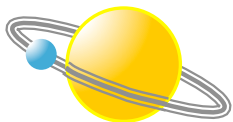
✓ Cheng A.C., et al. (*Nat. Biotechnol.*, 2007):

27 Target binding sites - Decision tree –

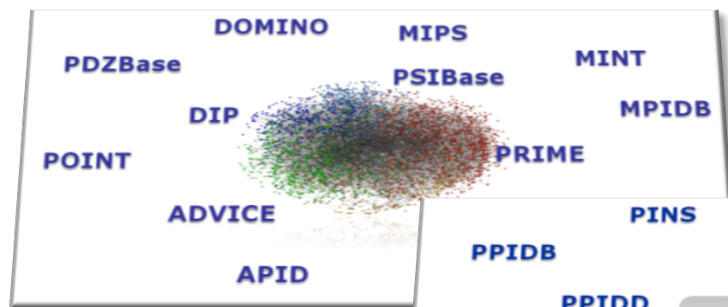
Presence of cavities, hydrophobicity and size, the shape complementarity between the two interacting subunits within the cavity

⇒ Good discrimination was achieved between non druggable and 'easily druggable' protein-protein interfaces

⇒ What about Success Stories with STRUCTURALLY validated PPIMs ?



'Druggability' based on Success Stories



Interactome

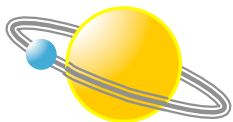


PPI Structural DB

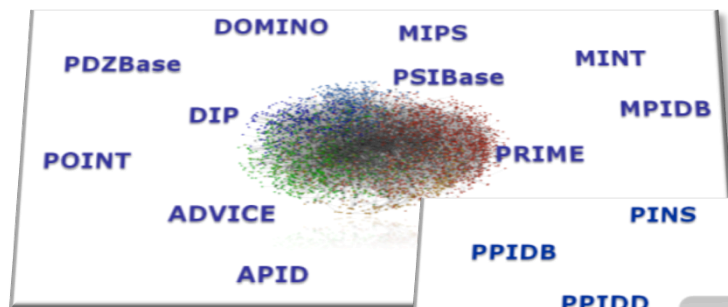


Missing Tools

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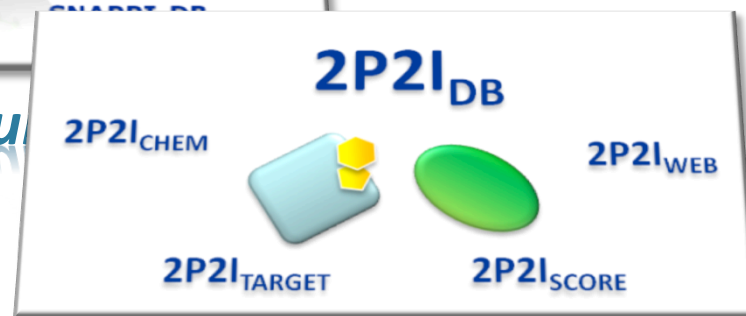
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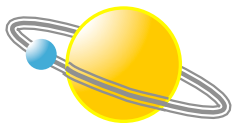


PPI Structural



2P2I Structural DB

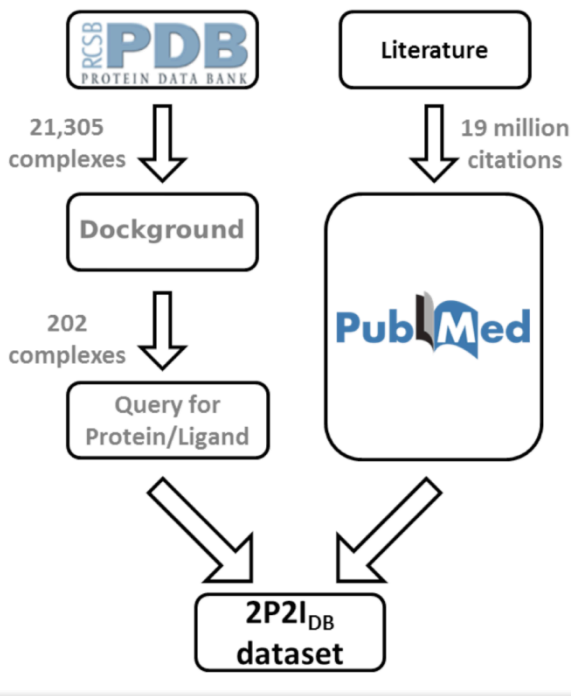
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2P2l_{DB}
The Protein-Protein Interaction Inhibition Database

<http://2p2idb.cnrs-mrs.fr/>



Retrieve Complexes in 2P2l_{DB} by Family

Select a Family: XIAP_BIR3/CASPASE_9

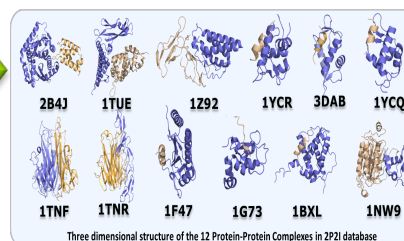
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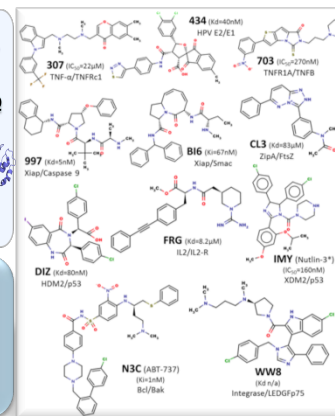
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			Unbound A	Unbound B	Complex A	Complex B			
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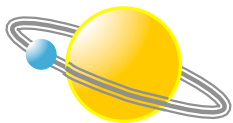


12 Protein-Protein A B
39 Protein-Inhibitor A B
12 Free Proteins A B



39 Inhibitors

Bourgeas R. Basse MJ. Morelli X. & Roche P. (2010) Atomic Analysis of PPIs with known inhibitors... *PLoS ONE* 5 e9598



2P2I_{WEB} : <http://2p2idb.cnrs-mrs.fr>

The Protein Protein Interaction Inhibition Database

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HPV_E2/E1 Family

(Cluster 2)

Protein-Protein Complex

PDB Code	Uniprot Code	Kd (μM)	Interface Properties	External Links
1TUE	P06790/P06789	0,06	Report	PDB Uniprot PDBsum

Unbound Protein

PDB Code	External Links
1R6K	PDB Uniprot PDBsum
2V9P	PDB Uniprot PDBsum

Protein-Ligand Complexes

PDB Code	Ligand	MW	Kd (μM)	External Links
1R6N	434	608.449	0,040	PDB Uniprot PDBsum

Atomic Analysis of Protein-Protein Interfaces with Known Inhibitors: The

1TUE

Jmol Options

- ☒ Complex
- ☐ Surfaces
- ☐ Residues at Interface
- ☐ Polar Residues
- ☐ Pockets
- ☐ Hydrogen Bonds
- ☐ Salt Bridges
- ☐ Labels Residues at Interface
- ☐ Labels Polar Residues

Zoom : ☒ 100 ☐ 250 ☐ 500

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HPV_E2/E1 Family

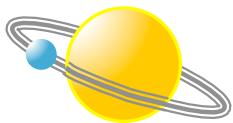
(Cluster 1)

[Interface Properties of 1TUE Complex](#)

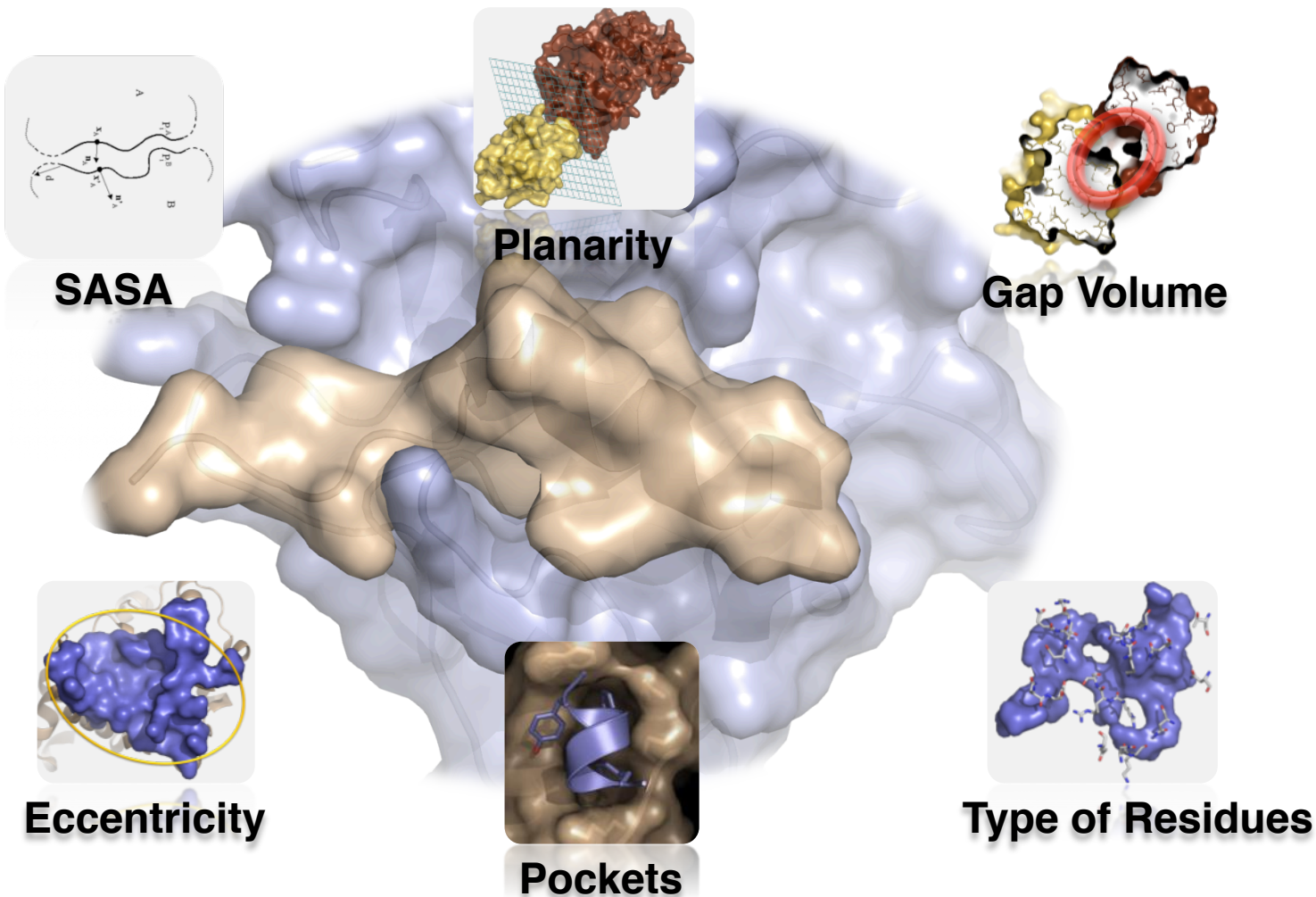
Summary Properties	
Total Interface Area (Å ²)	1994.5
Gap Volume (Å ³)	9109.1
Nb of non-bounded contacts	89
Total Nb of Segments	9
Secondary Structure at Interface	ALPHA
Nb of hydrogen bonds	17
Nb of salt bridges	4
Total Nb of Disulfide bonds	0

For more info

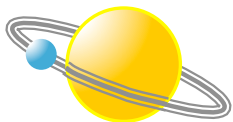
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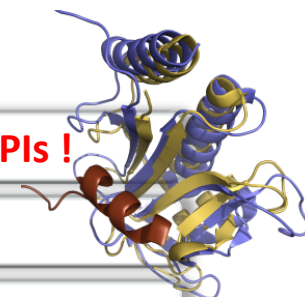
'Druggability' assessment: 2P2I_{INSPECTOR}



Bourgeas R. Basse MJ. Morelli X. & Roche P. (2010) Atomic Analysis of PPIs with known inhibitors: **The 2P2I Database** *PLoS ONE* 5 e9598

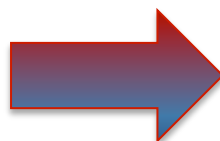
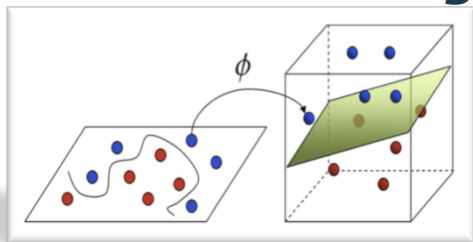


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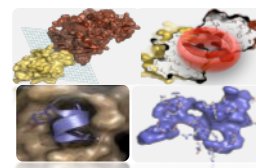


Size	• Smaller and more hydrophobic Interface than standard PPIs !
Shape	• Same shape (planarity and eccentricity)
Dynamics	• No major conformational changes (rmsd < 2Å)
Pockets	• Few pockets at the interface (150 Å ³ for 1.8 ±0.7 pockets)
Charged	• Less charged residues and less salt bridges
Non polar	• More non polar atoms
HBonds	• On average more hydrogen bonds than typical PPIs
Composition	• More aromatic and large residues

Machine Learning

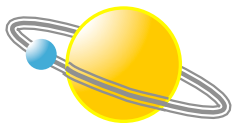


Targetability Assessment

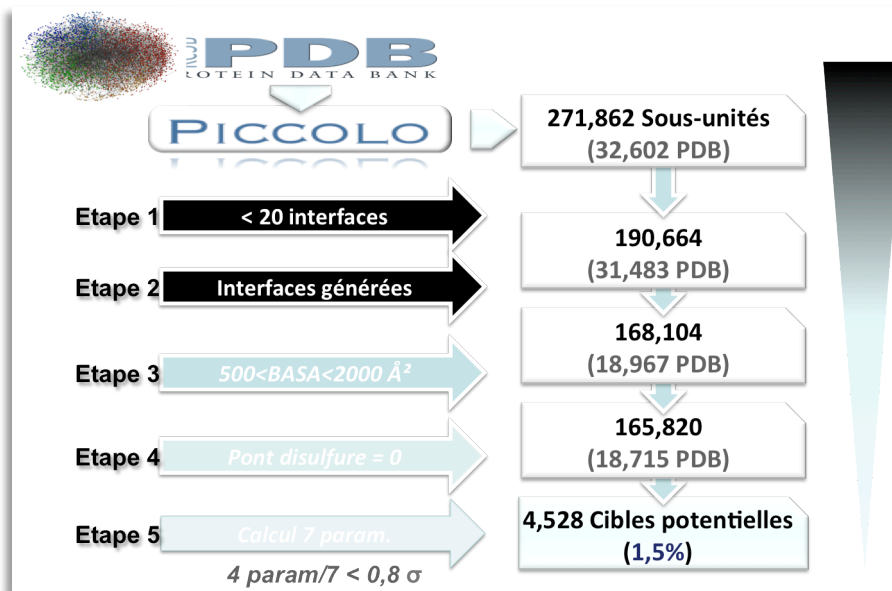
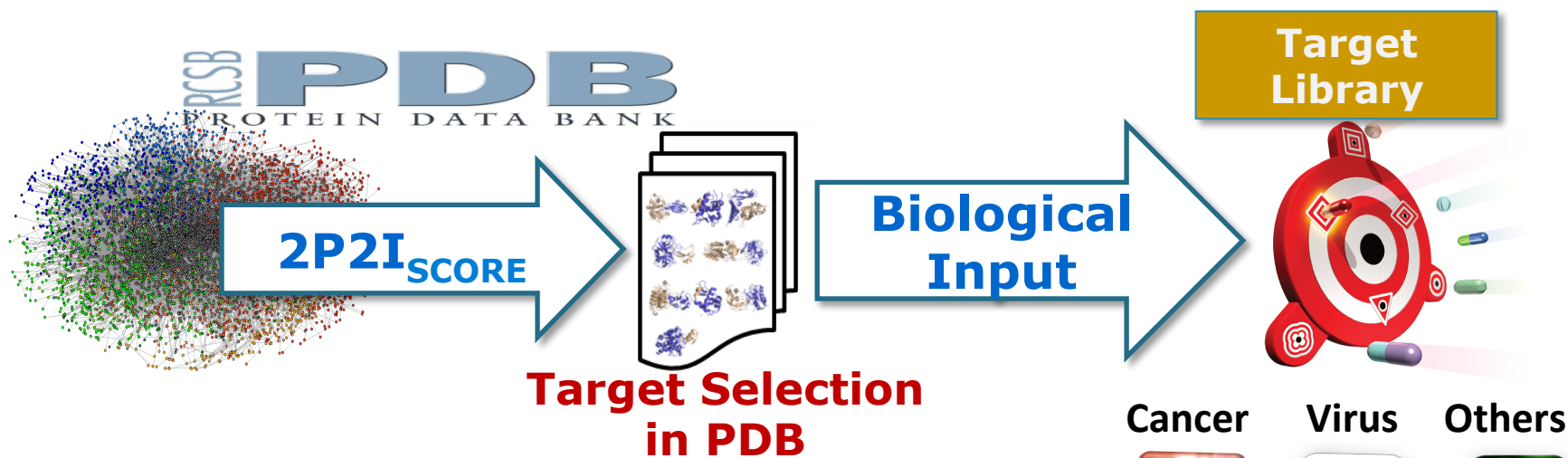


2P2I_{INSPECTOR} + 2P2I_{SCORE}

Bourgeas et al (2010) Atomic Analysis of PPIs with known inhibitors: The 2P2I Database PLoS ONE 5 e9598

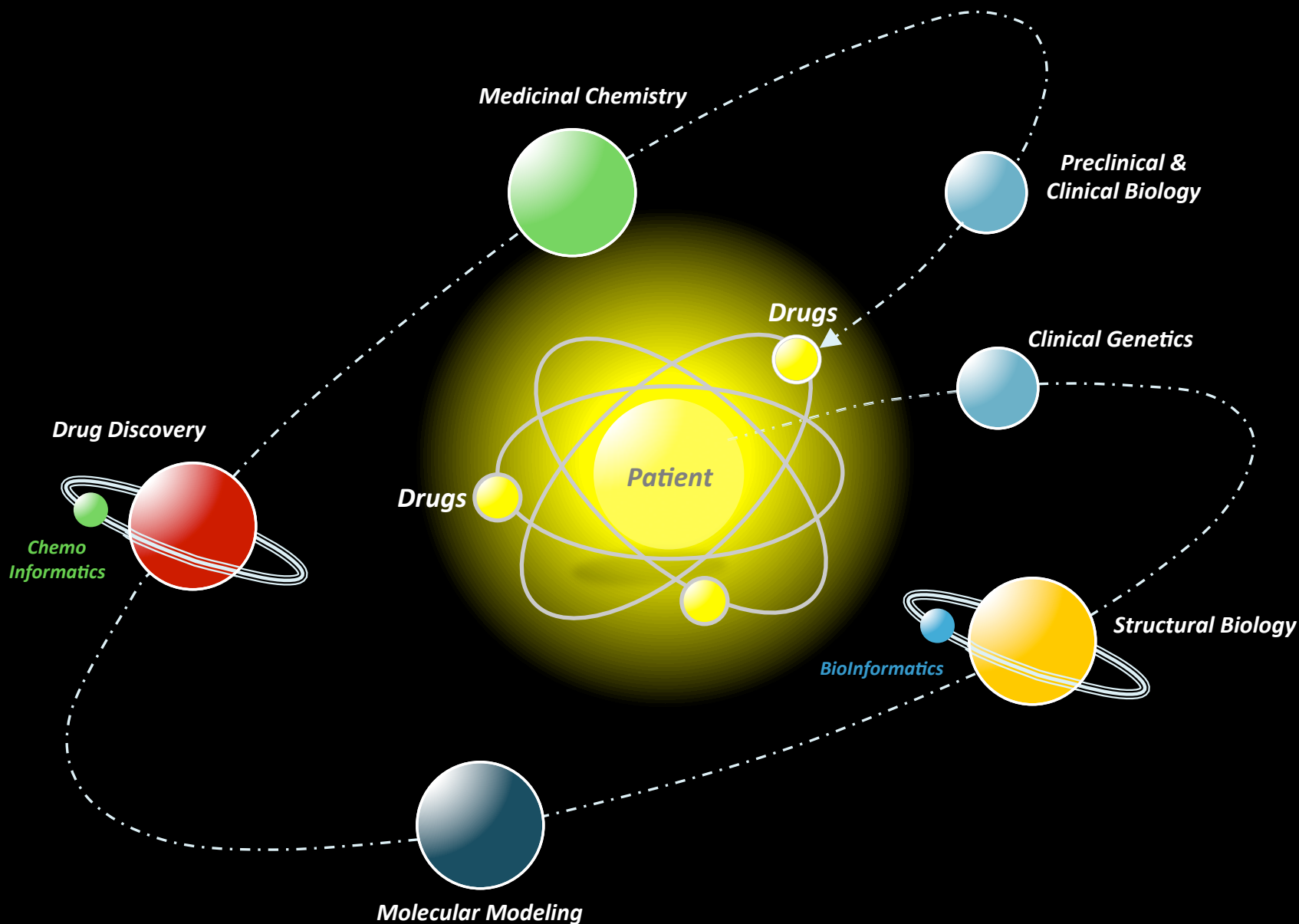


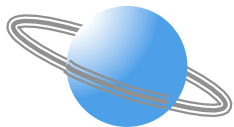
2P2I_{INSPECTOR} & 2P2I_{SCORE} : UNDER GOING EFFORTS...



4,528 Potential Targets That are being Clustered Based on Their Metabolism Pathway (Hubs, Bridges, other) ...

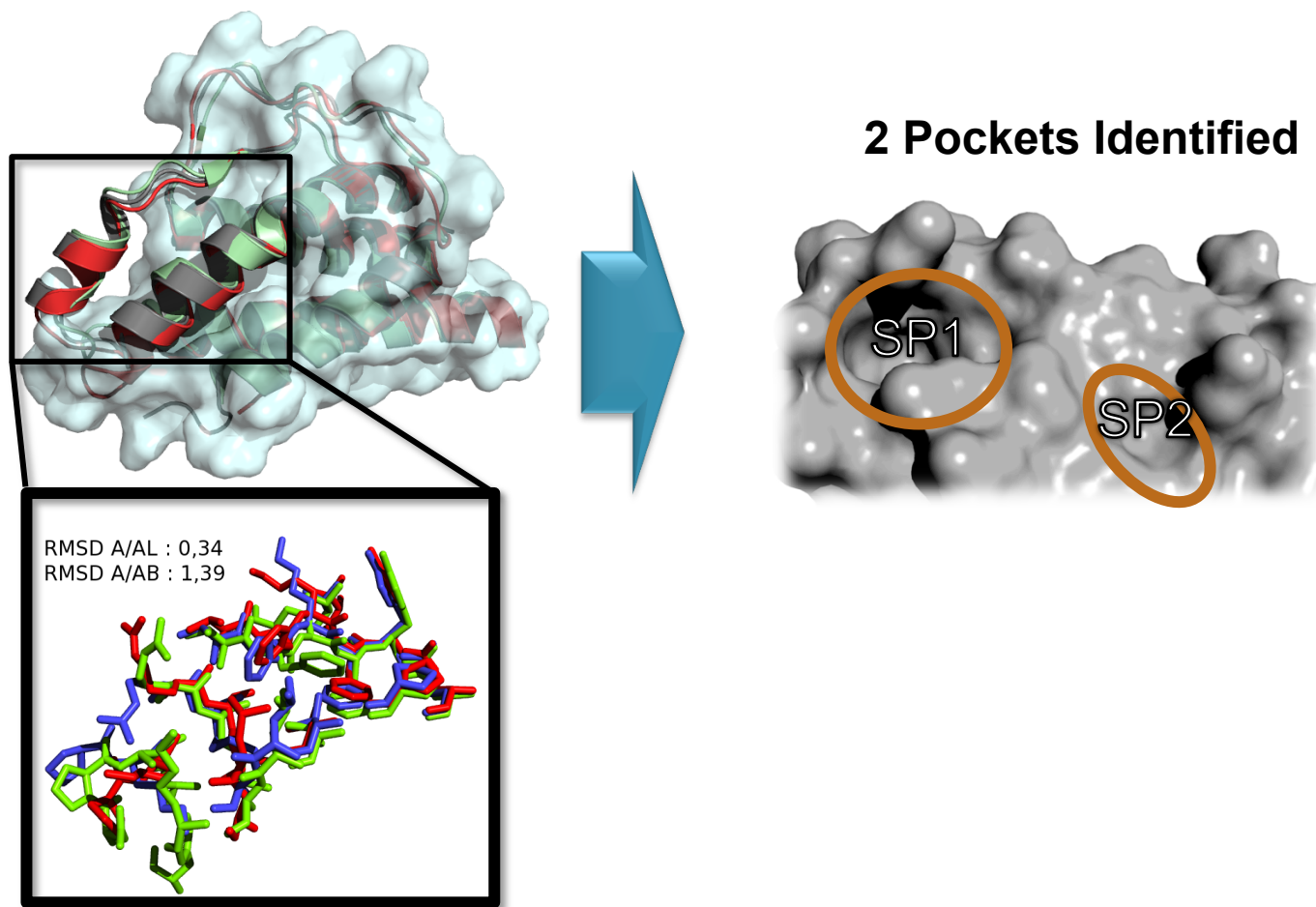
Are the dynamics at the interface important for Drug Discovery ?

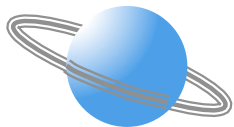




Importance of MDS in the Drug Discovery Process

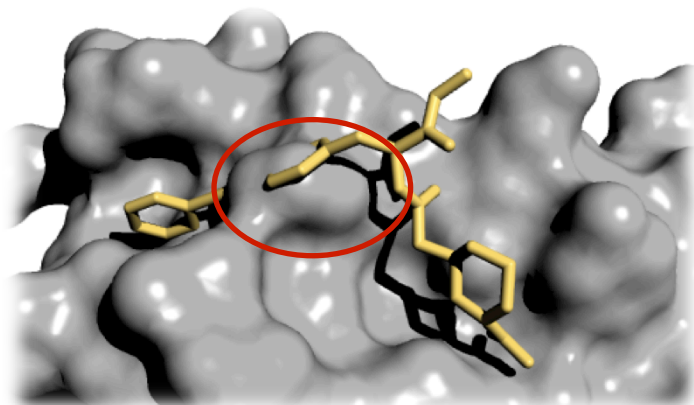
Example of IL-2 (1M47)/ IL-2R (1Z92)





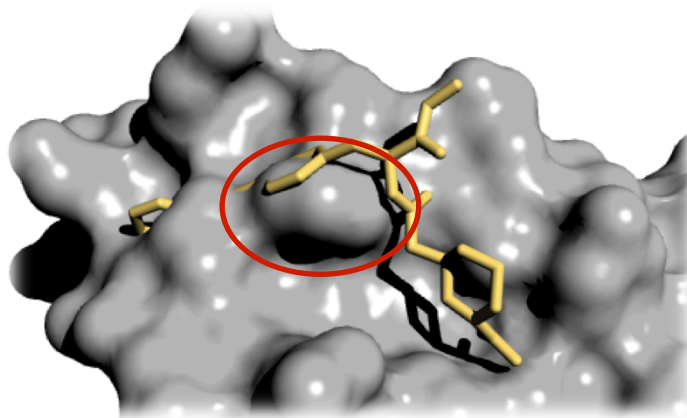
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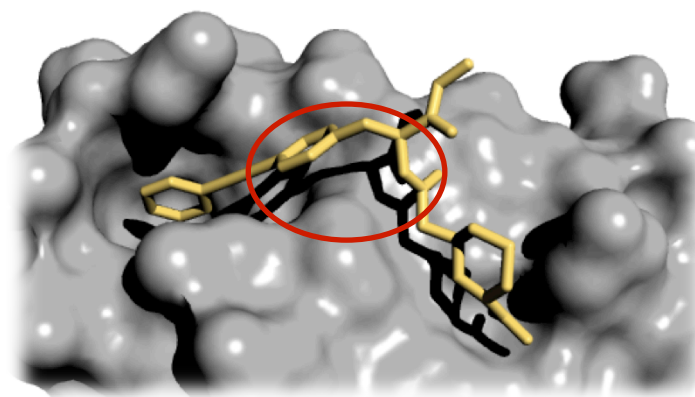
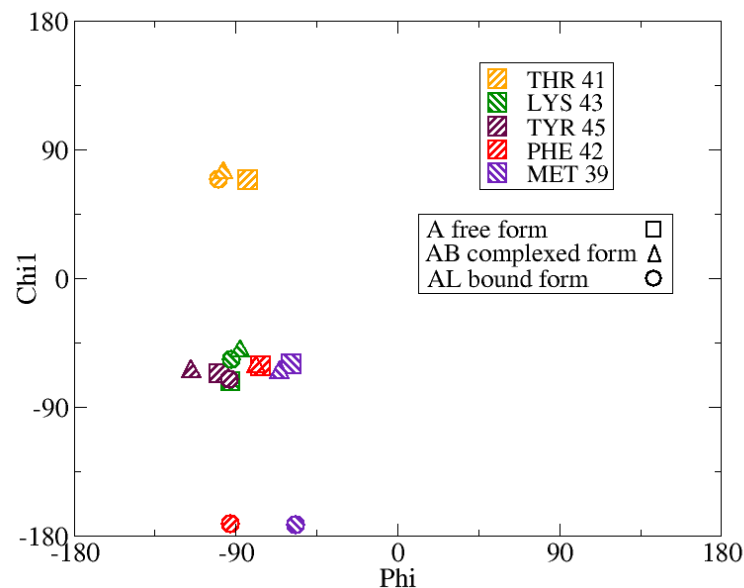


**'Cryptic'
pocket**

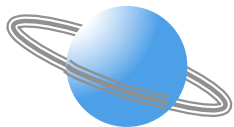
1M47 + FRG (form 'A')



1Z92 + FRG (form 'AB')

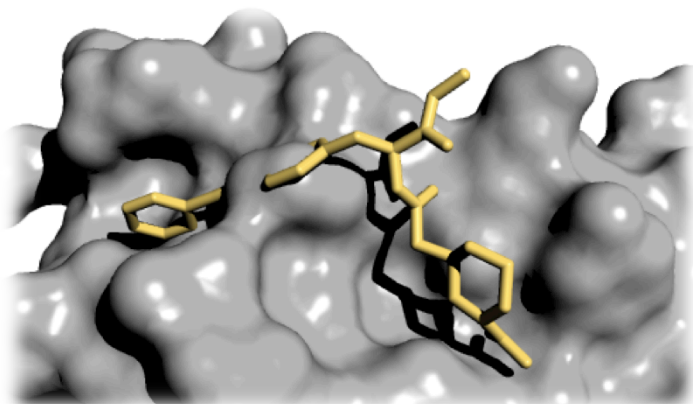


1M48 + FRG (form 'AL')

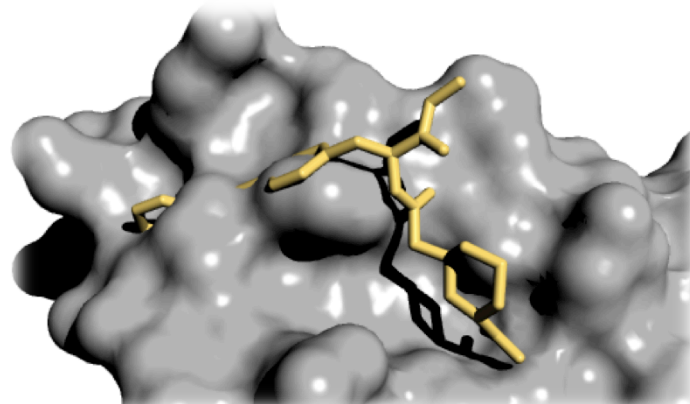


Importance of MDS in the Drug Discovery Process

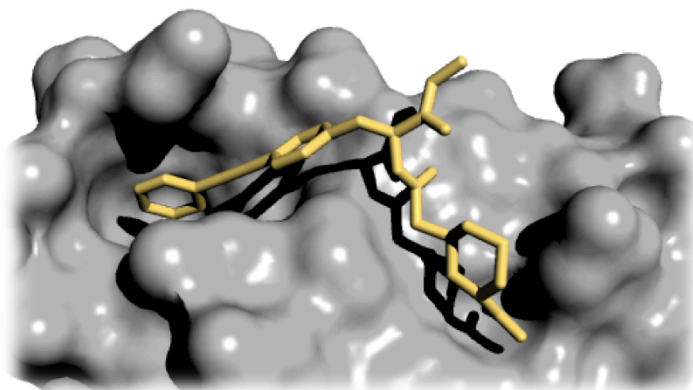
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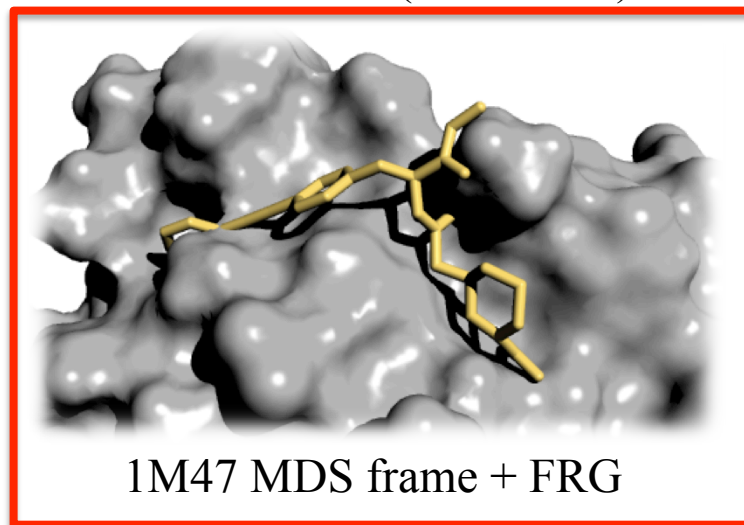
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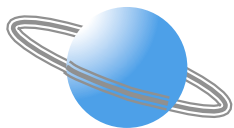
1Z92 + FRG (form 'AB')



1M48 + FRG (form 'AL')



1M47 MDS frame + FRG

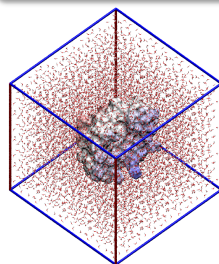


Application to Transient Pockets at the Interface

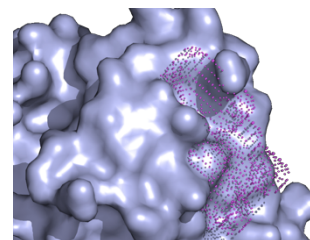
Detection of Interfacial
Ligand Pockets
in The Free Form

Molecular
Dynamics

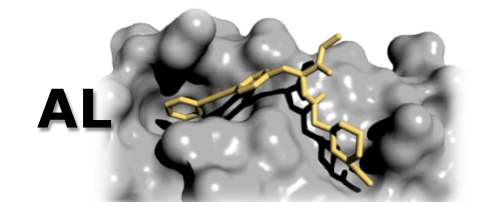
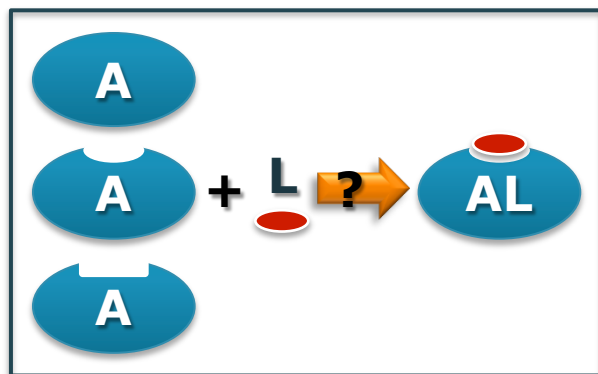
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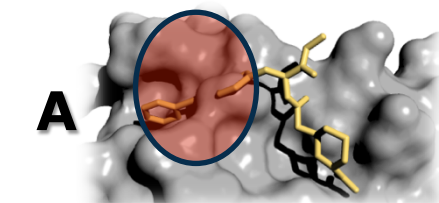
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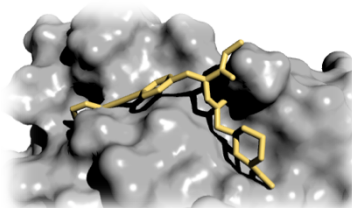
Interfacial
Pockets



IL-2 Protein/Inhibitor (FRG)



Free IL-2 Protein
(Clash with FRG)

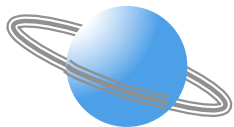


Free IL-2 Protein
(MD frame)

15% conformations
 $\text{Vol} > 200 \text{ \AA}^3$

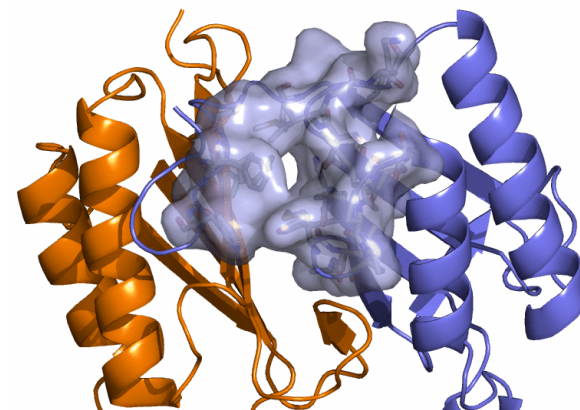
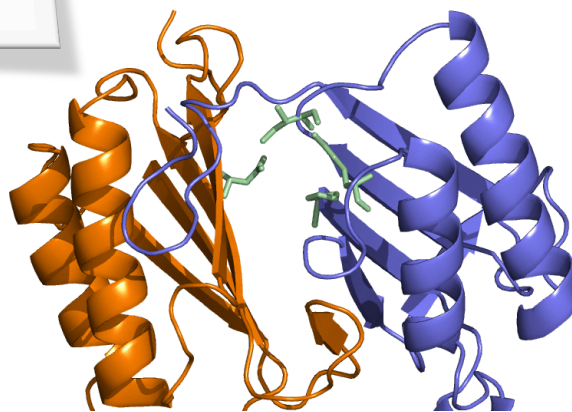
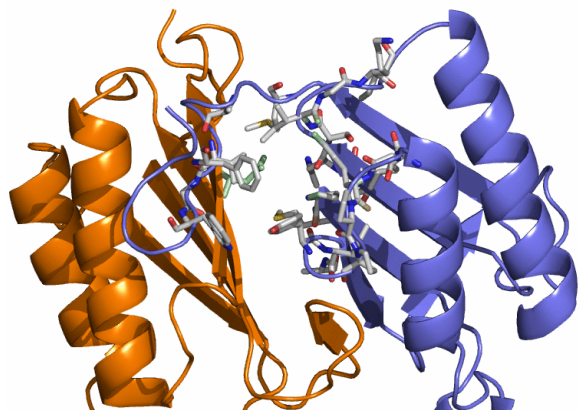
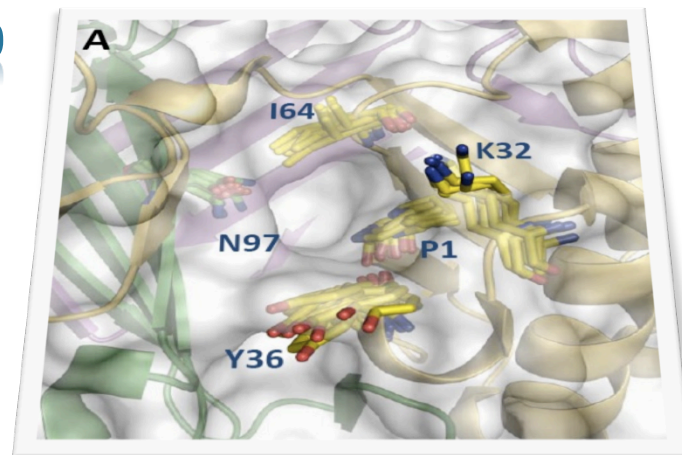
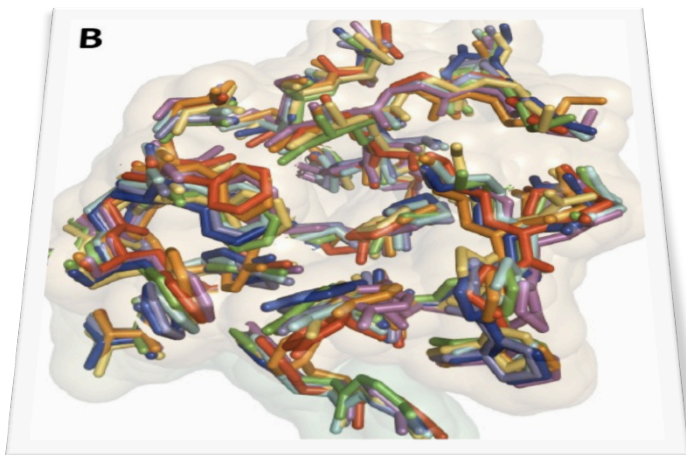
2P2I_{DB} complexes
200,000 hours.cpu
CRIHAN super calculator





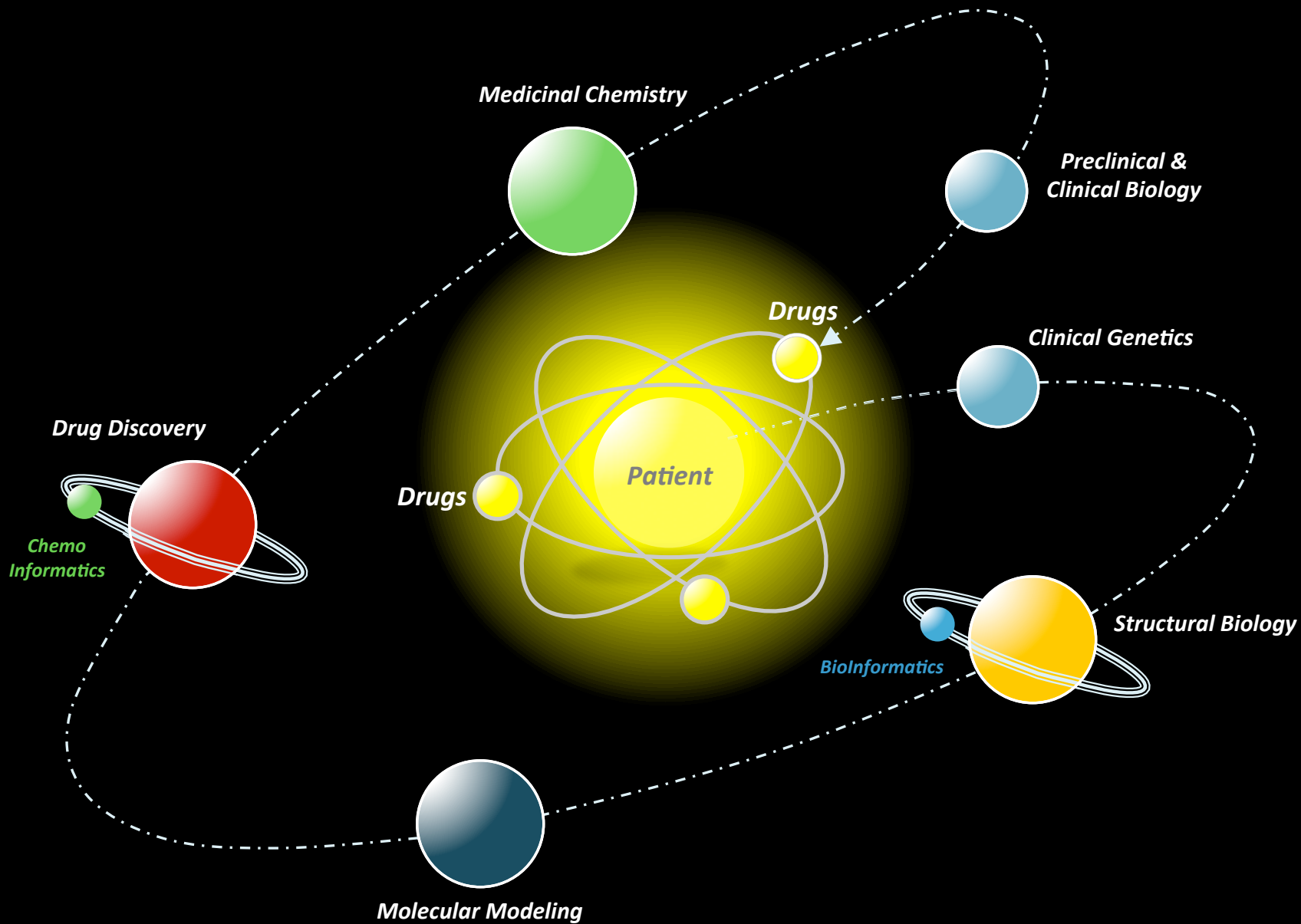
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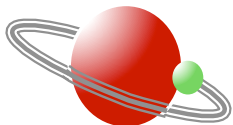
Enrichment Factor >20



El Turk *et al.*,
Bioorg. Med. Chem., 2010

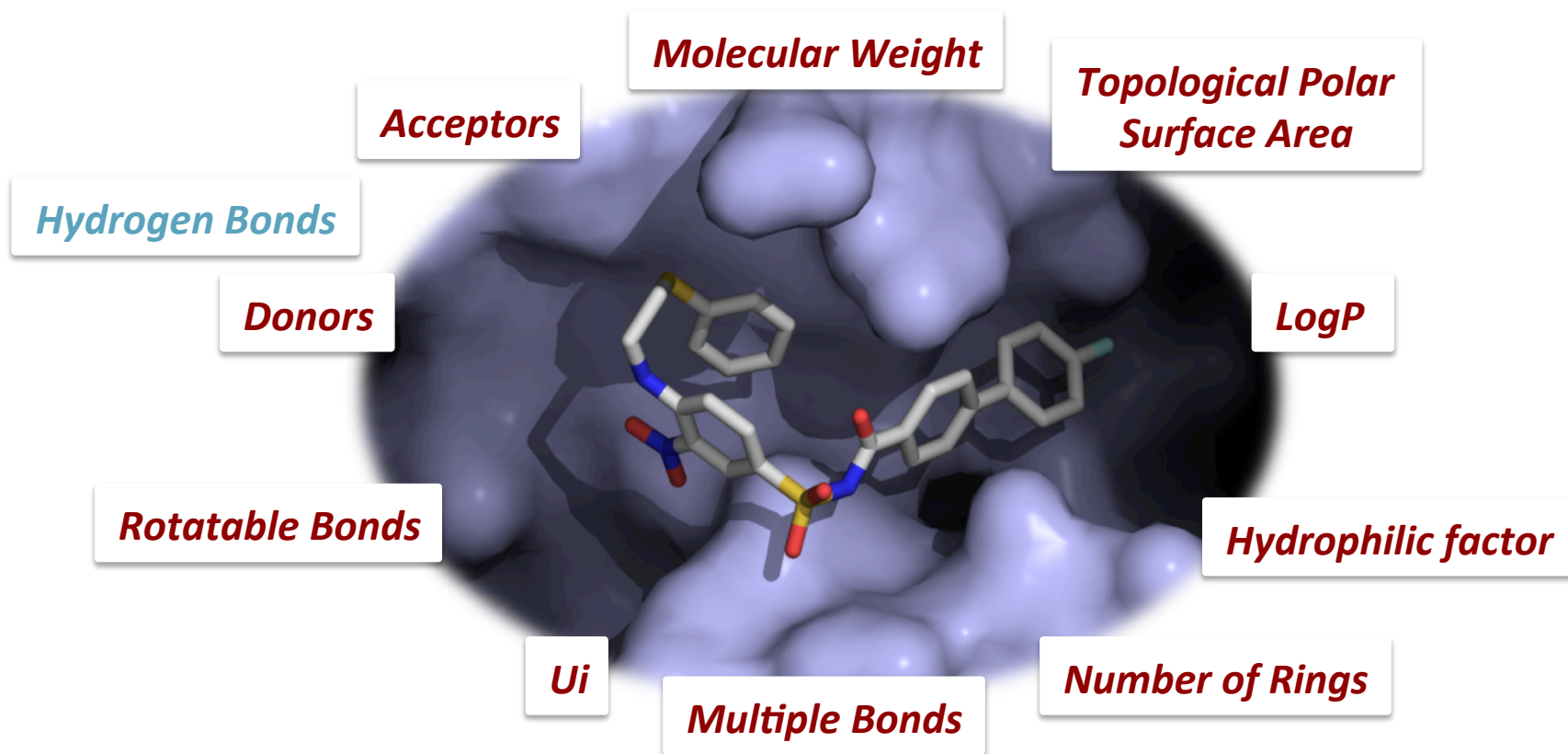
Are the actual libraries appropriate to search for PPI Modulators ?

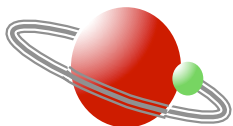




Chemical Compounds as Modulators of PPIs

Molecular Descriptors





Chemical Compounds as Modulators of PPIs

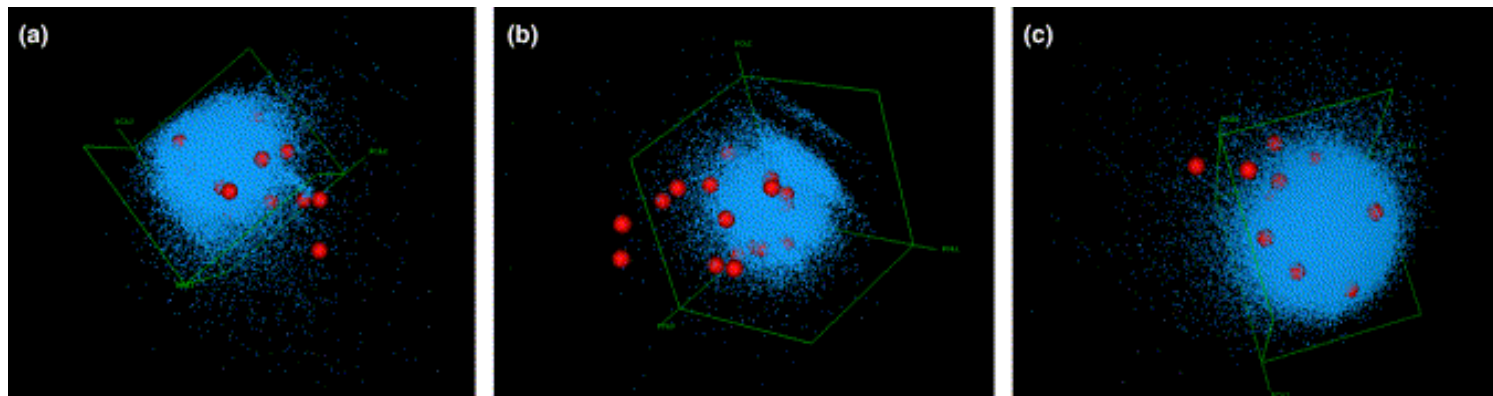
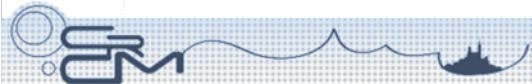


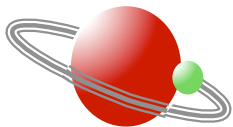
Figure 4. 3D plot of a principal component analysis (PCA) of three vendor databases (library compounds in blue) compared to 19 published SMPPIs (in red). The calculations and views were performed using MOE, and in all cases the first three components represent 55% of the information. (a) Projection of the Chemical Diversity database (119 475 compounds). (b) Projection of the Maybridge database (59 223 compounds). (c) Projection of the Asinex database (321 867 compounds).

- In 2004, Pagliaro *et al.* study 19 known PPI's Inhibitors

⇒ 'Lipinski' standards are not valuable for PPI's Inhibition (molecular weight, polar surface & SlogP mainly)

⇒ Necessity to abolish preliminary filters for PPI's



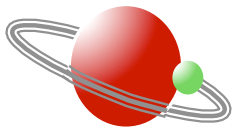


Success depends on the Input...



"The readings look good, but just in case, when was the last time the system was checked for bugs?"

Need to Design Focused Libraries Dedicated to PPIs



Chemical Compounds as Modulators of PPIs

✓ Neugebauer - Klein (*J. Med. Chem.* 2007):

25 compounds - Decision tree - 3 descriptors (Dragon, Talet)

Molecular Shape ; Presence of Ester function ; 3D structure of the molecule

✓ Higuieruelo / Blundell (*Chem. Biol. Drug Design*, 2009)

104 molecules disrupting 17 PPIs, retrieved from 40 papers.

⇒ Timbal database: <http://www-cryst.bioc.cam.ac.uk/timbal>

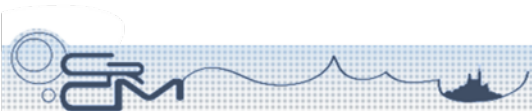
✓ Reynes – Sperandio - Villoutreix (*PLoS Comp. Biol.* 2010):

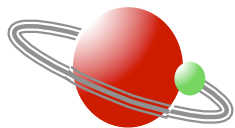
66 diverse i-PPIs vs. 557 traditional drugs – Decision tree

Molecular Shape ; Multiplicity (multiple or aromatic bond)

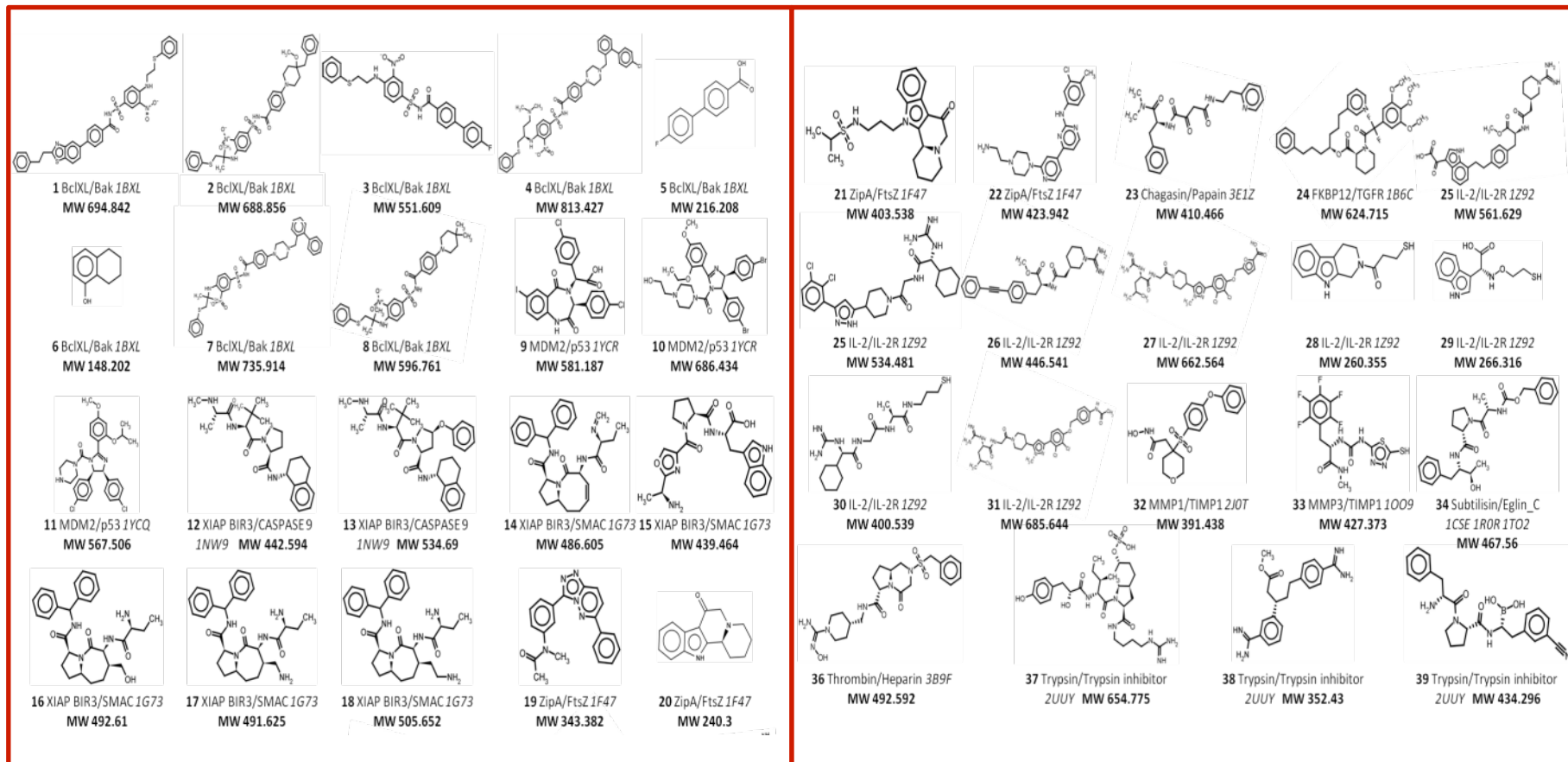
⇒ Hit Profiler: <http://www.cdithem.fr/ppiHitProfiler.php?lg=en>

⇒ What about Success Stories with **STRUCTURALLY** validated PPIMs ?

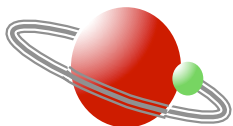




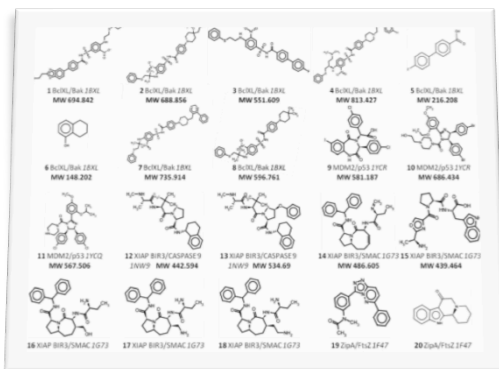
Chemical Compounds as Modulators of PPIs



Roche & Morelli (2010) Protein-Protein Interaction Inhibition (2P2I): Mixed Methodologies for the Acceleration of Lead Discovery. In: Miteva M, editor. *In silico lead discovery: Bentham*. Chapter 7, p167-200.



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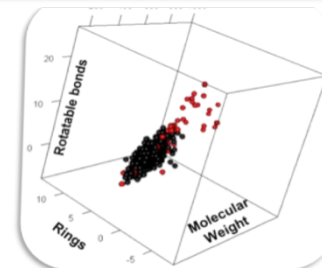


39 confirmed Inhibitors

**Comparison with a Set
of Compounds From
Several Libraries**



Dragon 
molecular descriptors



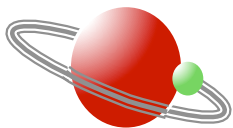
PPI Modulators ...

- ❖ Bigger (average Molecular Weight > **400 Da**)
- ❖ More Hydrophobic (average alogP ~**4**)
- ❖ More Rings (~**4** in average)
- ❖ More than **4** Hydrogen Bond Acceptors

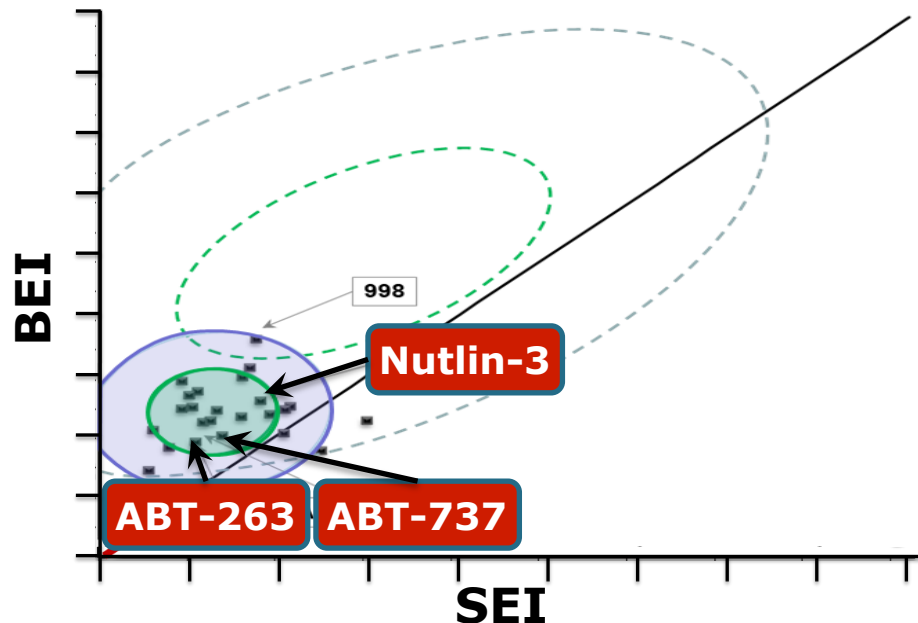
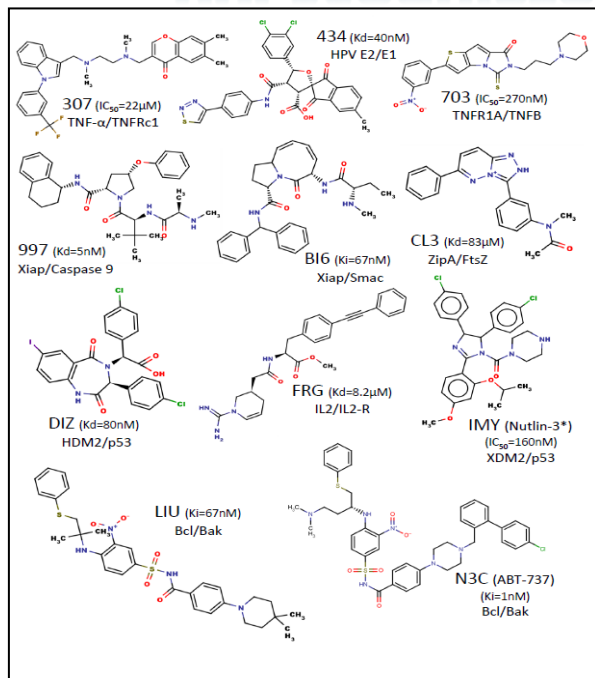
'Rule of 4' as a
Guideline for
PPI Inhibitors

>50% follow Lipinski Ro5

Morelli, X., Bourgeas, R., and Roche, P. (2011). Chemical and Structural Lessons from recent successes in Protein-Protein Interaction Inhibition (2P2I). *Current Opinion Chemical Biology* 15, 475-481.



PPI Modulators: "Drug-like" Compounds ?



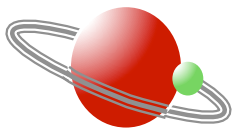
Abad-Zapatero & Metz JT 2005 *Drug Discov Today* 10:464-469.
Ligand efficiency indices as guideposts for drug discovery.

PPI Inhibitors Should not be Rejected for Their 'Low Probability to be Developed as Drugs'.

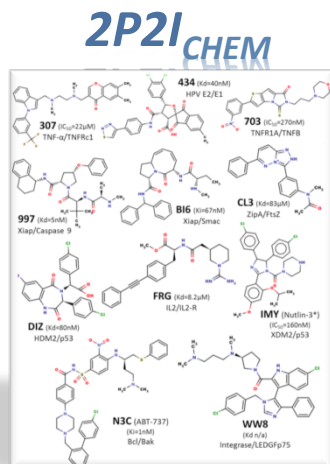
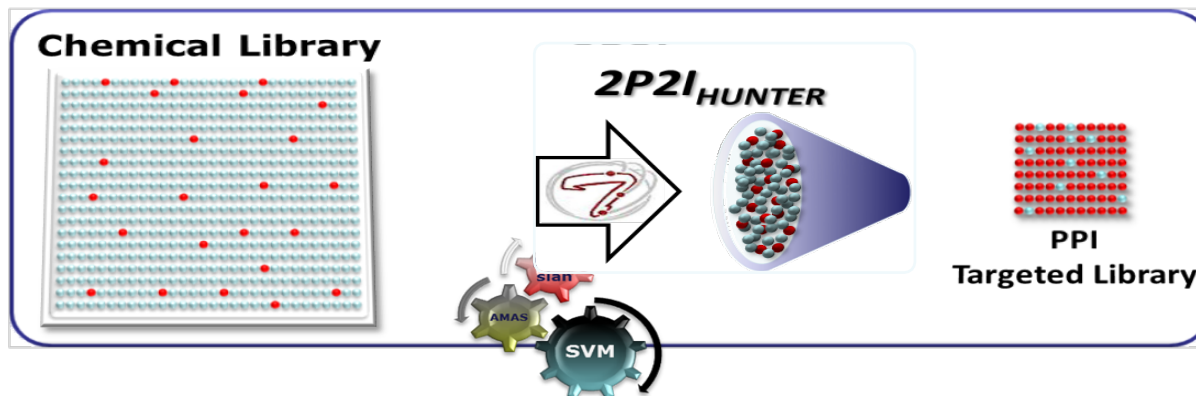
$$BEI = \frac{pK_i \text{ or } pK_d \text{ or } pIC_{50}}{MW}$$

$$SEI = \frac{pK_i \text{ or } pK_d \text{ or } pIC_{50}}{PSA}$$

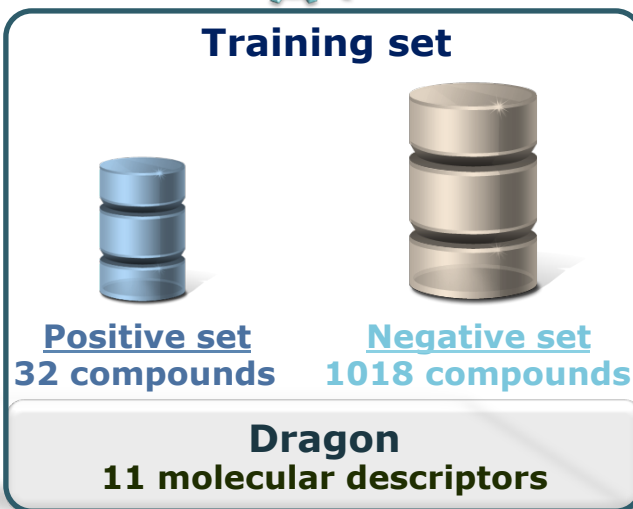
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A Dedicated Tool to filter libraries: 2P2I_{HUNTER}



**Tanimoto
0.8**



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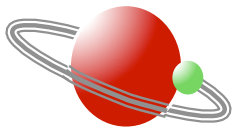
**NCI
Diversity**



Support Vector Machine

-Classification
-RBN Kernel

-5fold cross-validation
-30 repeats

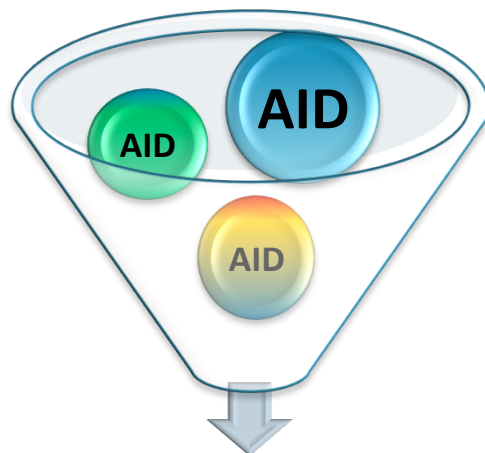


Selection of External Validation Datasets

Available public
source



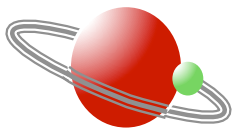
600,000 AIDs



- Query "Protein-protein..."
- Secondary screening
- In *vitro* test
- No redundancy

2 high quality validation datasets

- AID 1496/1438
- AID 1531/1896-1897



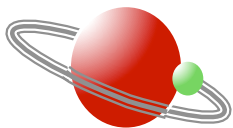
Validation Bioassays

Inhibiting the binding between the RUNX1 Runt domain and Core Binding Factor β Subunit

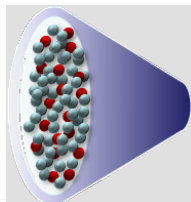
AID	Tested	Active	Hit Rate	Assay
1496	215676	993	0.46	Primary Screen (FRET)
1438	2224	45	2.02	Dose Response Confirmation

MEKK2-MEK5 interaction

AID	Tested	Active	Hit Rate	Assay
1531	289475	3276	1.13	Primary Screen
1892	5940	144	2.42	Single Concentration Confirmation Screen
1897	185	93	50.27	Dose Response Confirmation



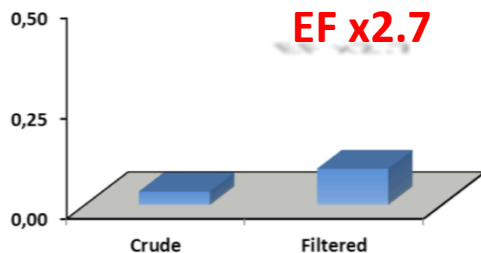
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2P2I_{RO4}

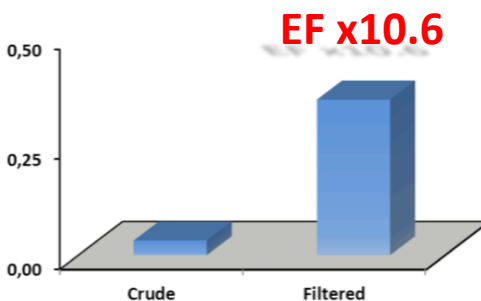
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Hit Rates



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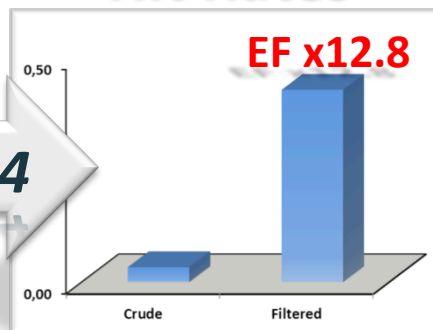
Hit Rates



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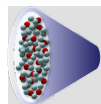
2P2I_{HUNTER}+Ro4

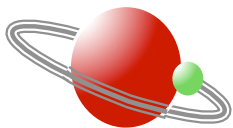
Hit Rates



~2% selected

2P2I_{HUNTER}



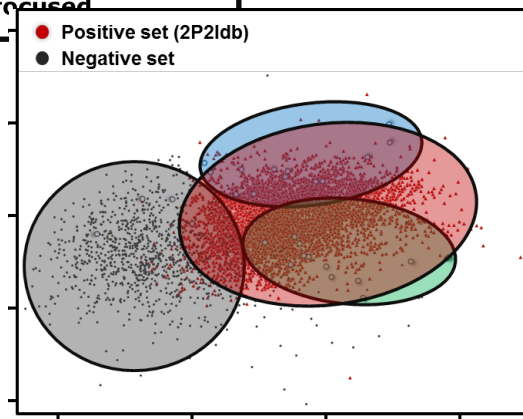
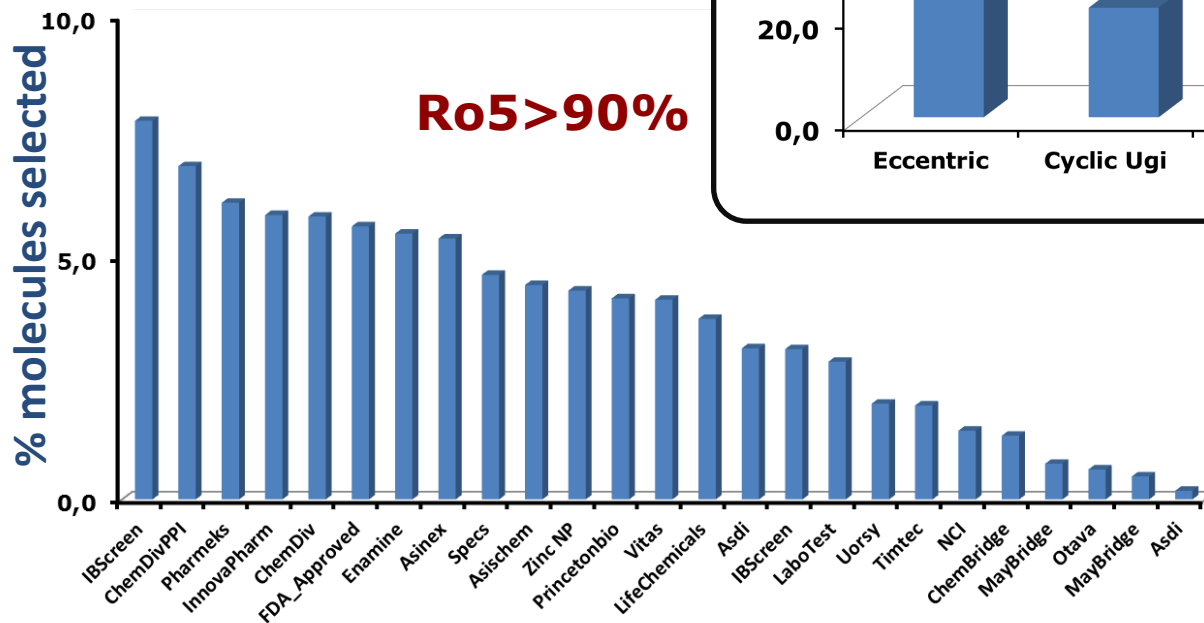
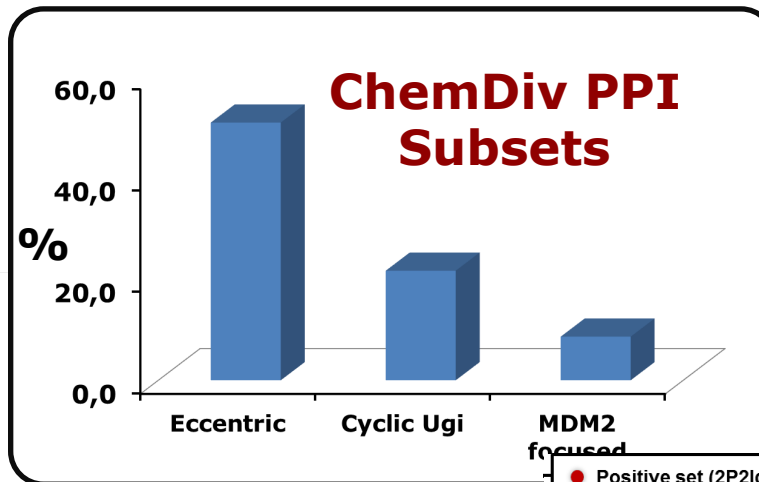


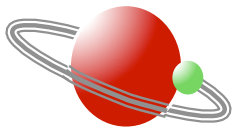
Example of a focused library dedicated to PPIs: 2P2I_{Div}

8 Millions cpds



Application to 25 Commercial Libraries





Example of a focused library dedicated to PPIs: 2P2I_{div}

In House Chemical Library 2P2I_{CHEM}
 ➤ **5-10,000 Compounds**

233,727 compounds

141,088 unique compounds

42,100 scaffolds

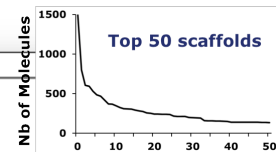
>22,000 with 'privileged structures'

Privileged structures:

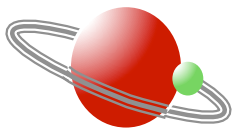
« a single molecular framework able to provide ligands for diverse receptors.

Evans et al., J.Med.Chem., 1988 (Merck)

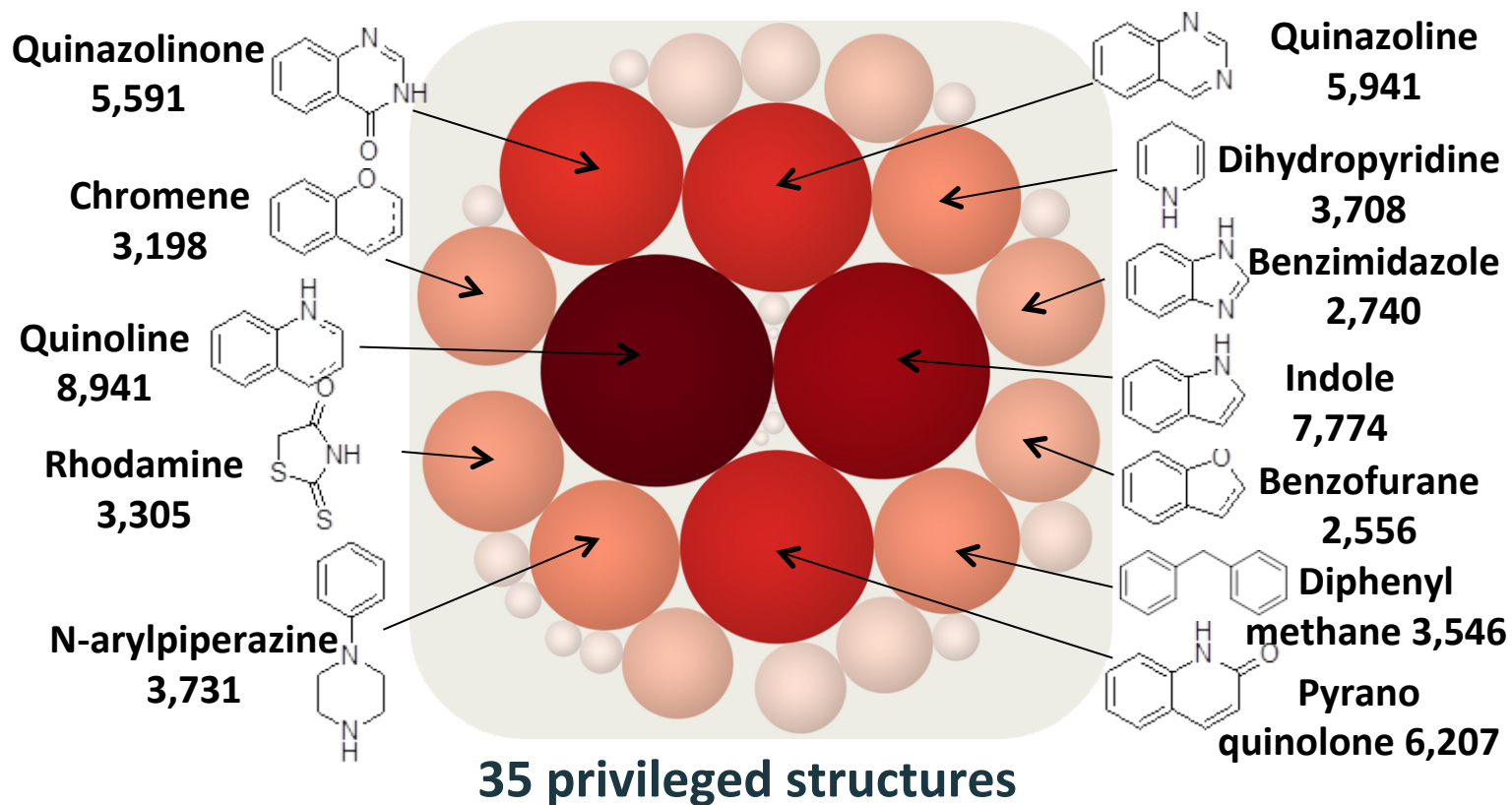
Privileged Structures	Structure	Nbre molécules	%
Quinazoline		110	0,08
Quinazolinone		3491	2,47
Quinoxaline		171	0,12
Indoline		4391	3,11
Benzofuran		2053	1,46
Chromone		882	0,63
Coumarine		1697	1,20
Benzylpiperidine		389	0,28
Arylpiperidine		280	0,20
Arylpiperazine		1313	0,93
Benzimidazole		310	0,22
Biphenyl		767	0,54
Quinoline		1515	1,07
Benzothiophene		99	0,07
Pyranoquinolone		5128	3,64



Rules from Smythe (Chem. Rev. 2003) & Welsch (Curr. Opin. Chem. Biol. 2010)

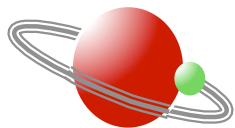


Example of a focused library dedicated to PPIs: 2P2I_{DIV}



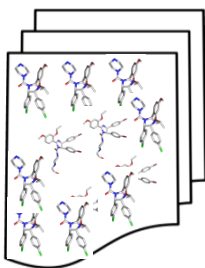
=> 8,000 compounds : 2P2I_{DIV}

=> 1731 with Fsp3 > 0.4 (average = 0.5): 2P2I_{3D}



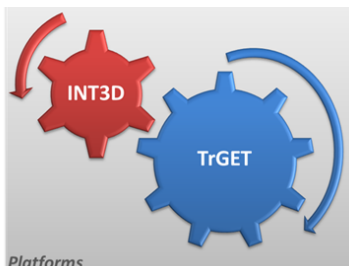
Perspectives / Example with Workflow

2P2I_{DIV}



**Focused Library
of PPI inhibitors**

~8000 compounds



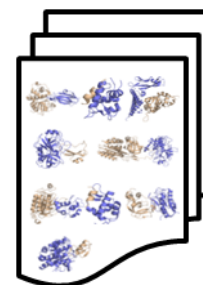
**2P2I
In silico**



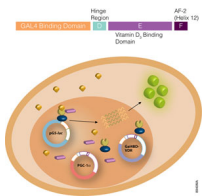
**Hit Compounds
Selection**

Validation, Characterization

2P2I_{TARGET}



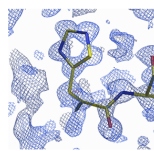
**10 "Druggable"
PPI Targets
Selected from Cancer Center**



BRET / HTRF



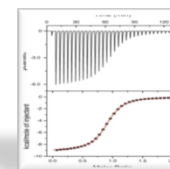
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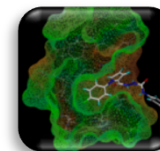
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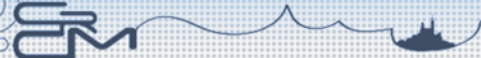
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ITC



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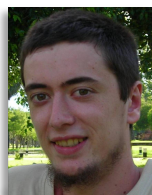
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