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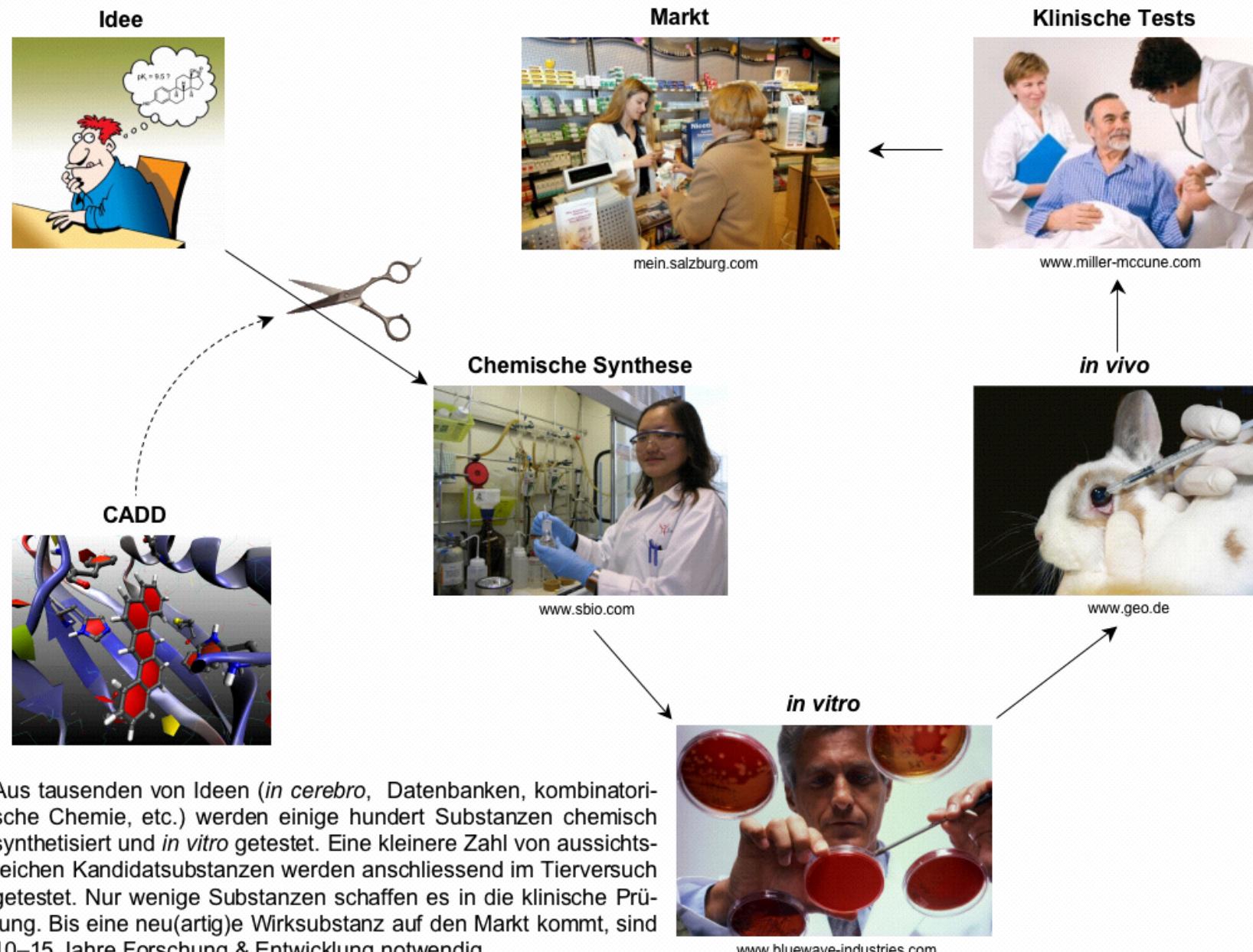
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Computational Toxicology:

Computer-gestützte Voraussage des toxischen Potentials
von Arzneistoffen und Umweltchemikalien

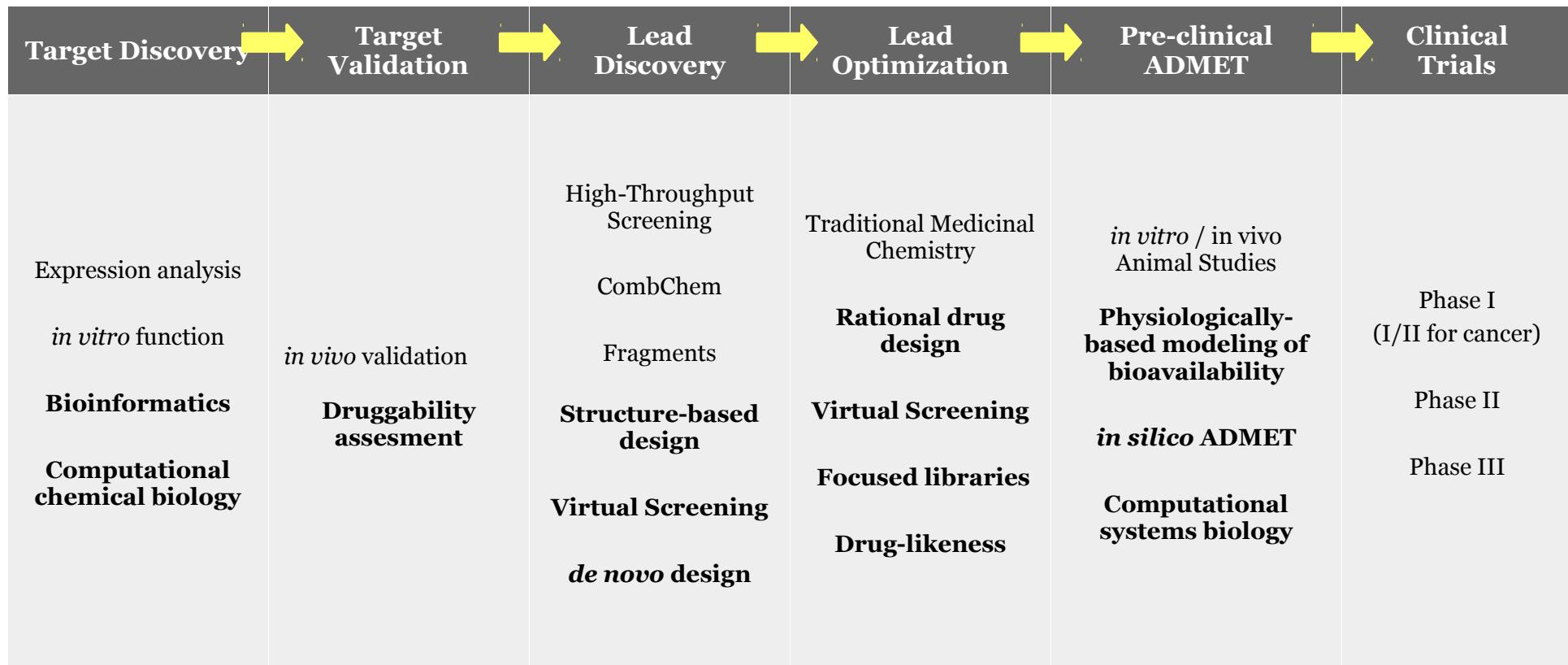


Moderne (computer-gestützte) Entwicklung von Arzneistoffen

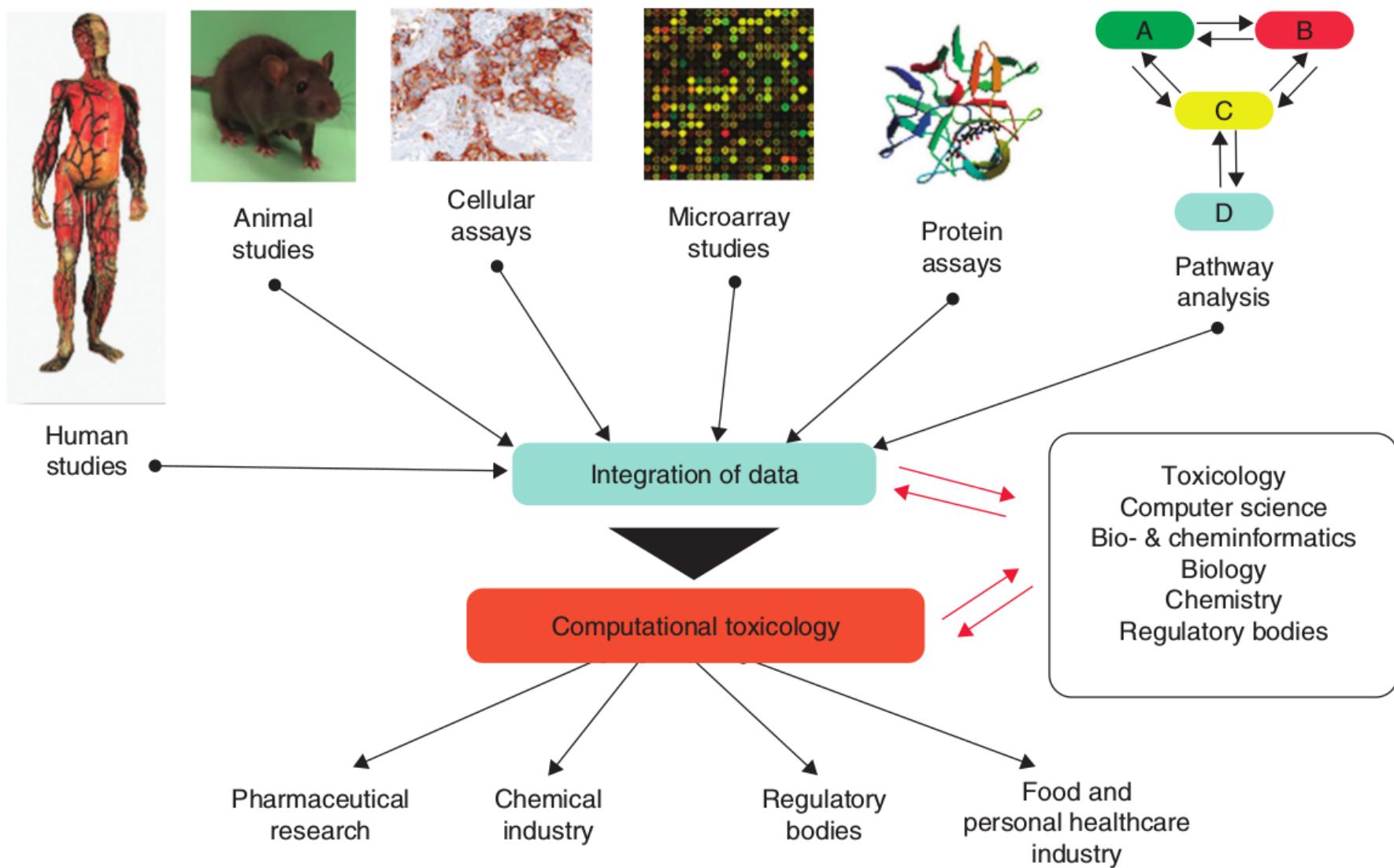




Arzneistoff: Entdeckung / Entwicklung Prozess



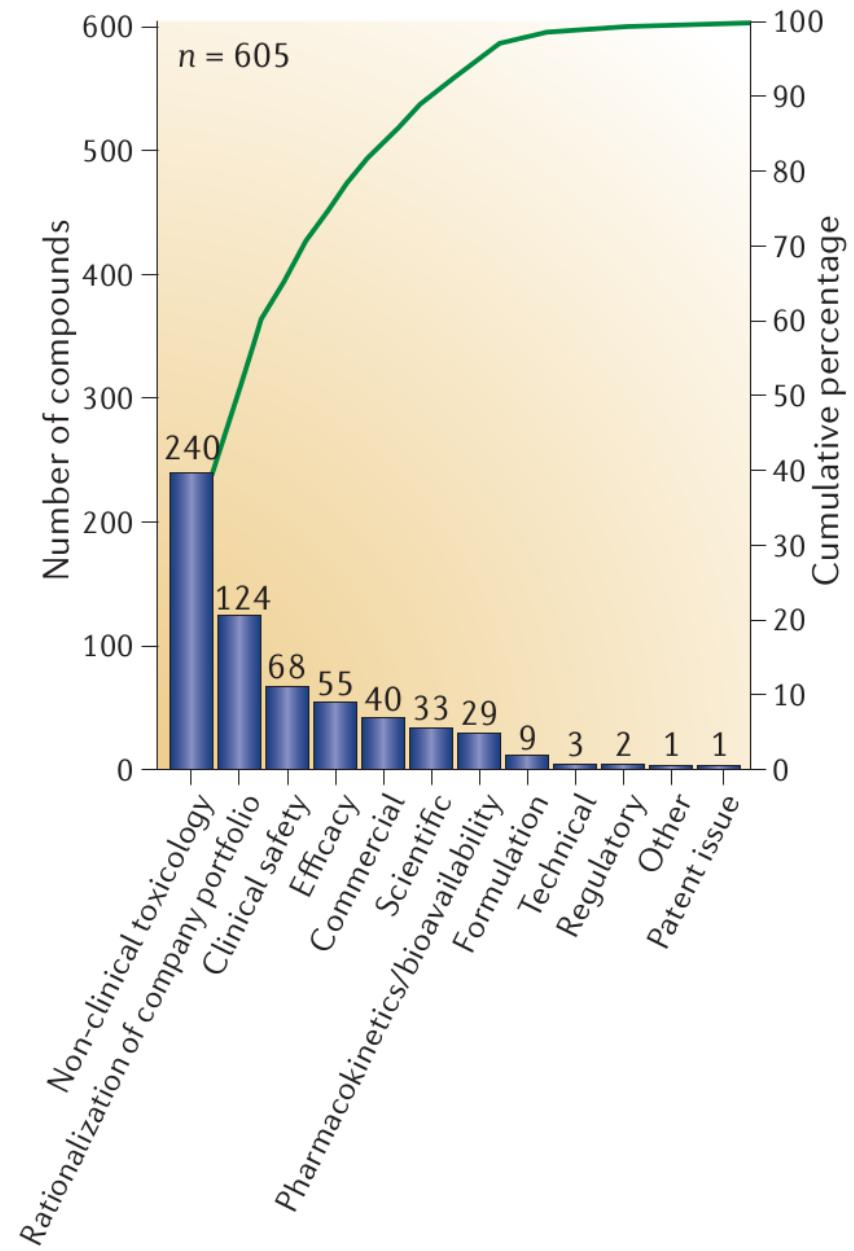
Computational Toxicology Methods



Nigsch F. et al. *Expert Opinion on Drug Metabolism & Toxicology* (2009), 5, 1-14



- Every single compound entering production must be thoroughly tested and characterized:
 - cosmetics (UV filters, fragrances...)
 - additives (polymer, flame retardants...)
 - agrochemicals
 - drugs
 - colorants & dyes
- 3R (reduction, replacement, refinement)
- Regulatory needs: EC, EPA, BLV... (REACH)
- knowledge gathered can be used to rationally **explain and avoid toxic phenomena**
- drug attrition rates



Waring M.J. et al. *Nature Reviews: Drug Discovery* (2015), 14, 475.



Side effect (or adverse effect) of drugs and chemicals

May occur as a result of the unwanted interaction between the compound and bio(macro)molecules involved in:

- Biosynthesis
- Signal transduction
- Transport
- Storage
- Metabolism

the nature of such an interaction can be **specific or unspecific**

biochemical pathway/intermediary metabolism → organelle → cell → organ → organism



Routes of exposure: can the compound get to the possible site of action?

oral : most frequent and best studied because of pharma industry

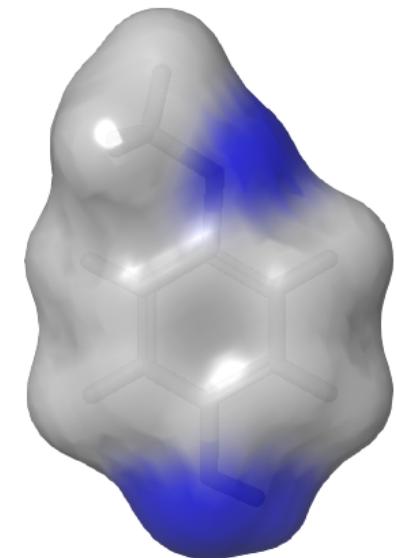
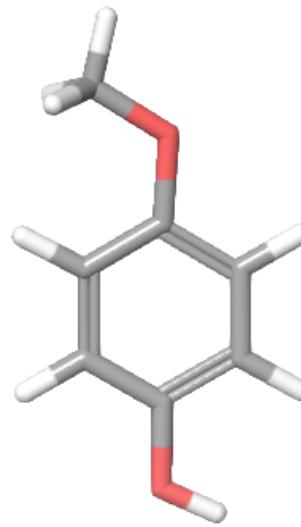
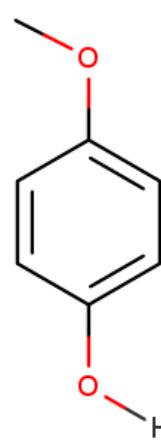
Lipinski's rule of 5

MW < 500

nHB-donor ≤ 5

nHB-acceptor ≤ 10

LogP < 5



Veber rules

- PSA < 140 Å²

- nRotBond < 10

MW = 124, nHBdon = 1, nHBacc = 2, LogP = 1.2, PSA = 31 Å², nRotBond = 1

skin : transdermal patches (hormonal or opioid analgetic), cosmetics (shower gel, sunscreens), textile (dyes), plastics (e.g BPA from cash & bills)

inhalation : airborne particles (fumes, fentanyl), volatile chemicals, gases...

special : ocular, bucal...



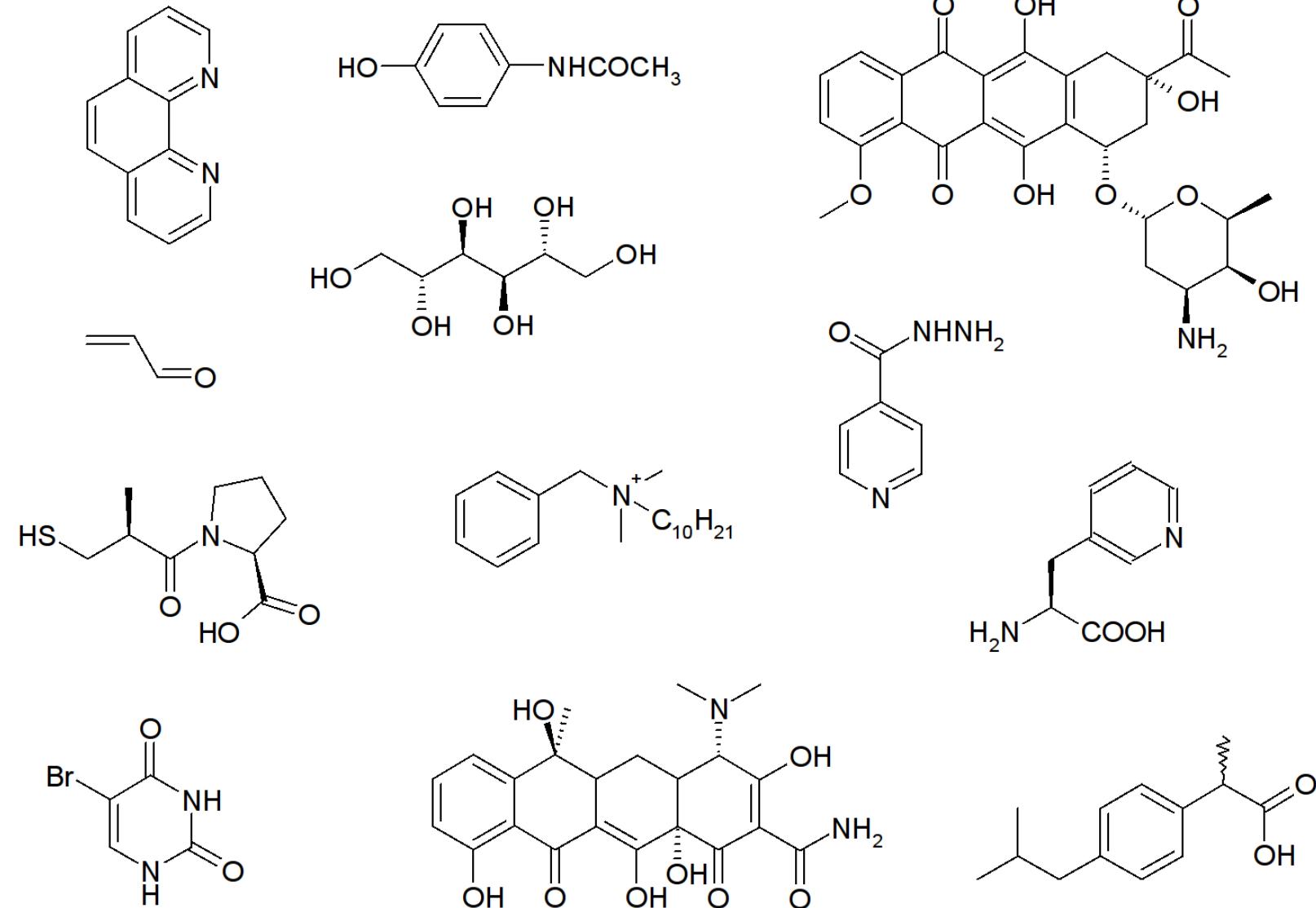
The causal relationship has to be clear – a model has to be able to explain the side effect and detect/predict similar behavior for new entities:

- ***reactive functional groups*** – interaction with biomacromolecules forming covalent bonds (electrophilicity, HOMO/LUMO)
- ***metabolically unstable groups, fragments, arrangements***
- ***chelating groups*** – interaction with trace elements (Ca, Fe)
- ***metabolites*** - interaction with biomacromolecules, off-target binding
- ***pharmacokinetics*** – compartments, accumulation, blood-brain barrier, placental barrier
- ***surface activity*** – cell lysis (saponins)
- ***isomery R/S, cist/trans*** – active/inactive ingredient
- ***off-target binding*** – anti-target Nr.1 hERG K⁺ (human ether-à-go-go related gene postassium) channel, cytochromes (inhibition/transformation), endocrine system

Many aspects can be detected by simple looking & thinking!



Comparative (Recognition) approach: shape, polarity, chelating capabilities, solubility, similarity to primary metabolites, Lipinski and Veber rules...





Database searching (1):

The Binding Database: compounds with activities, <http://www.bindingdb.org/bind/index.jsp>

ChEMBL Database: > 620k compounds, > 2.4M activities, <http://www.ebi.ac.uk/chembl/>

TOXNET: general toxicity database, many sub databases, <http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov/index.html>
sub-databanks:

ChemIDplus	Chemical Identification/Dictionary
HSDB	Hazardous Substances Data Bank
CCRIS	Chemical Carcinogenesis Information
CPDB	Carcinogenic Potency Database
GENETOX	Genetic Toxicology Data
IRIS	Integrated Risk Information, quantitative human carcinogenic/hazard data
ITER	International Toxicity Estimates for Risk
LactMed	Drugs and Lactation Database
TRI	Toxics Release Inventory
TOXMAP	Environmental Health e-Maps
Haz-Map	Occupational Exposure/Toxicology
Household Products	Health & Safety Information on Household Products



Database searching (2):

ToxCast Program - <http://epa.gov/ncct/toxcast/>

DSSTox - http://www.epa.gov/dsstox_structurebrowser/

Acute Toxicity Database - for Aquatic Species <http://www.cerc.usgs.gov/data/acute/acute.html>

ECOTOX - toxicity data derived predominantly from peer-reviewed literature for aquatic organisms, terrestrial plants and wildlife species, <http://cfpub.epa.gov/ecotox/>

SKIN DEEP - <http://www.cosmeticsdatabase.com/index.php>

Drug-Induced Toxicity Related Proteins Database
<http://bioinf.xmu.edu.cn/databases/DITOP/index.html>

PAN Pesticide Database - <http://www.pesticideinfo.org/>

ACuteTox - Predicting Human Acute Toxicity, <http://www.acutetox.eu/>

ZINC - free database of commercially-available compounds for virtual screening
<http://zinc.docking.org/choose.shtml>

Chemical Structure Lookup Service - 46 million unique structures
<http://cactus.nci.nih.gov/cgi-bin/lookup/search>

EC inventory – a database of the existing chemical substances
http://ecb.jrc.ec.europa.eu/qsar/information-sources/ec_inventory/



Das Modell!

„It can scarcely be denied that the supreme goal of all theory is to make the irreducible basic elements as simple and as few as possible without having to surrender the adequate representation of a single datum of experience.“

Albert Einstein 1933

z.B.:

Separates Kleinmolekül:

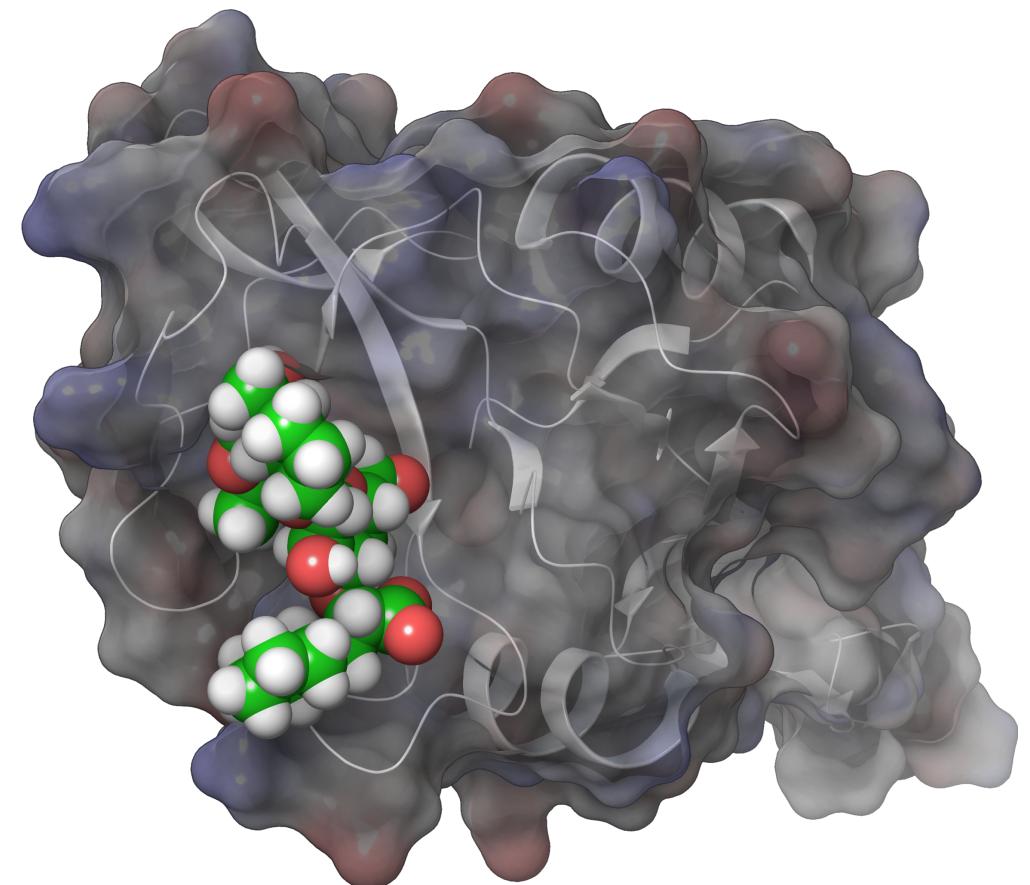
- Physikochemische Eigenschaften
- Deskriptoren
- Bioverfügbarkeit

Protein-Ligand Komplex:

- Wechselwirkungsenergie
- Interne Spannung

Protein-Ligand Komplex im Wasser:

- Bindungsaffinität
- Halbwertszeit (Residenzzeit)





Nur ein Modell!



"This is not a pipe" By René Magritte, 1898-1967

**Nie vergessen: dass was wir sehen ist nur ein Modell,
nicht die Realität!**



Modeling = Creating a (computer) model for observed phenomena at various levels

- qualitative models: simple rule based, decision trees (e.g. *if soluble and contains a C=N-OH functional group...*), expert systems, artificial intelligence
- quantitative models (QSARs):

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \text{(side) effect} \xrightarrow{?} \text{toxicity}$$

- Where \mathbf{x} can be:
 - 1-dimensional information, e.g. LogP, molecular weight
 - 2-dimensional information, e.g. connectivity, branched vs. linear
 - 3-dimensional information, e.g. conformation of a ligand
 - multi-dimensional information (multiple conformers, protonation states)
- Setubal principles:
 - defined endpoint, unambiguous algorithm, defined domain of applicability, appropriate measures of goodness-of-fit, robustness and predictivity, mechanistic interpretation



Free modeling resources (1):

OpenTox (interoperable predictive toxicology framework) - <http://www.opentox.org/>

LAZAR - <http://lazar.in-silico.de/>

Molinspiration - gives Nuclear Receptor Ligand likeness (also Kinase, GPCR and Ion Channel Ligand likeness), <http://www.molinspiration.com/cgi-bin/properties>

QSPR/OCHEM - build online QSARs, <http://qspr.eu/>

European Joint Research Center (Ispra, Italy) :

DART - designed for the ranking of chemicals according to their environmental and toxicological concern

Toxtree - places chemicals into categories and predicts various kinds of toxic effect by applying decision tree approaches

Toxmatch - encodes several chemical similarity indices to facilitate the grouping of chemicals into categories and read-across,

Virtual Computational Chemistry Laboratory - property calculations
<http://www.vcclab.org/>



Free modeling resources (2):

EPI Suite - suite of physical/chemical property and environmental fate estimation, US EPA,
<http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/exposure/pubs/episuite.htm>

OncoLogic® - A Computer System to Evaluate the Carcinogenic Potential of Chemicals,
<http://www.epa.gov/oppt/sf/pubs/oncologic.htm>

T.E.S.T. - estimate acute toxicity using the QSAR methodologies
<http://www.epa.gov/nrmrl/std/cppb/qsar/#TEST>

OECD QSAR Toolbox - tool for profiling mechanisms, chemical grouping and readacross,
<http://www.oecd.org/env/ehs/risk-assessment/theoecdqsartoolbox.htm>

CAESAR – Computer Assisted Evaluation of Industrial chemical substances
<http://www.caesar-project.eu/>



Commercial modeling resources:

ADMET predictor - <http://www.simulations-plus.com>

TOPKAT from Accelrys - <http://www.accelrys.com>

Pallas - <http://www.compudrug.com>

Derek - <http://www.lhasalimited.org>

MultiCASE - <http://www.multicase.com>

MDL QSAR - <http://www.symyx.com>

BioEpisteme - <http://www.prousresearch.com>

ACD ToxSuite - <http://www.acdlabs.com>

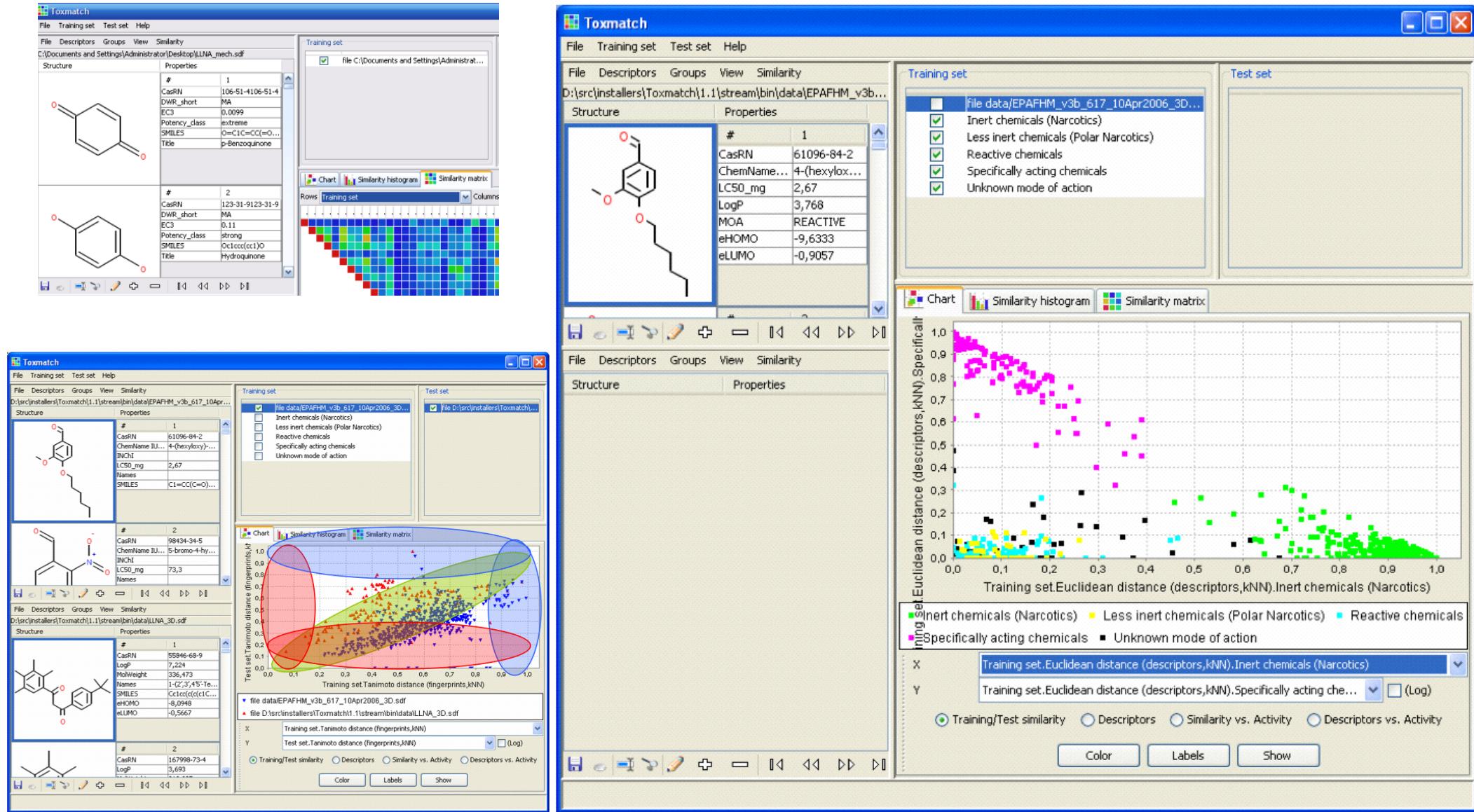
OASIS TIMES - <http://www.oasis-lmc.org>

Molcode Toolbox - <http://molcode.com>

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Statische Modellierung – ToxMatch



☞ http://ihcp.jrc.ec.europa.eu/our_labs/computational_toxicology/qsar_tools/toxmatch



Expertensysteme – ToxTree

Toxtree (Estimation of Toxic Hazard – A Decision Tree Approach) v2.1.0

File Edit Chemical Compounds Toxic Hazard Method Help

Enter SMILES: Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1 Go!

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Available structure attributes

SMILES Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1
cdk:Comment Created from SMILES
toxTree.tree.cramer.... High (Class III)
toxTree.tree.cramer.... 1N,2N,3N,5N,6N,7N,...

Toxic Hazard by Cramer rules

Estimate

Low (Class I)

Intermediate (Class II)

High (Class III)

Verbose explanation

Cramer rules

- Q1.Normal constituent of the body **No** Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1
- Q2.Contains functional groups associated with enhanced toxicity **No** Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1
- Q3.Contains elements other than C,H,O,N,divalent S **No** Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1
- Q5.Simply branched aliphatic hydrocarbon or a common carbohydrate **No** Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1
- Q6.Benzene derivative with certain substituents **No** Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1
- Q7.Heterocyclic **No** Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1
- Q16.Common terpene **No** Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1
- Q17.Readily hydrolysed to a common terpene **No** Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1
- Q19.Open chain **No** Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1
- Q23.Aromatic Yes** Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1
- Q27.Rings with substituents Yes** Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1
- Q28.More than one aromatic ring Yes** Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1
- Q29.Readily hydrolysed **No** Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1
- Q33.Has sufficient number of sulphonate or sulphamate groups **No** Class High (Class III) Oc1ccc(cc1)/C(CC)=C(CC)\c1ccc(O)cc1

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☞ http://ihcp.jrc.ec.europa.eu/our_labs/computational_toxicology/qsar_tools/toxtree



“Ab initio” 3D-Modellierung – VirtualToxLab

The screenshot shows the VirtualToxLab software interface. At the top, there is a grid of binding data for various compounds across different target proteins. Below this, a '3D model builder' window is open, showing a 3D molecular structure of a ligand-protein complex. Labels on the interface include: 'Download 3D structure of ligand–protein complex', 'Select target protein(s)', 'Launch 3D model builder', 'Export binding data (csv)', 'Submit compound', 'View input structure', and 'Inspect bind'. A color scale on the right indicates 'Toxic Potential' from 'none' (blue) to 'high' (red).

☞ <http://www.virtualtoxlab.org>

Das toxische Potential einer Substanz wird nicht durch Vergleich mit anderen Verbindungen (deren Toxizität bekannt ist) abgeleitet, sondern durch die **Simulation und Quantifizierung von Protein–Ligand–Wechselwirkungen** auf atomarer Ebenen abgeschätzt. Proteine, welche unerwünschte Effekte vermitteln, werden als “off-targets” bezeichnet.

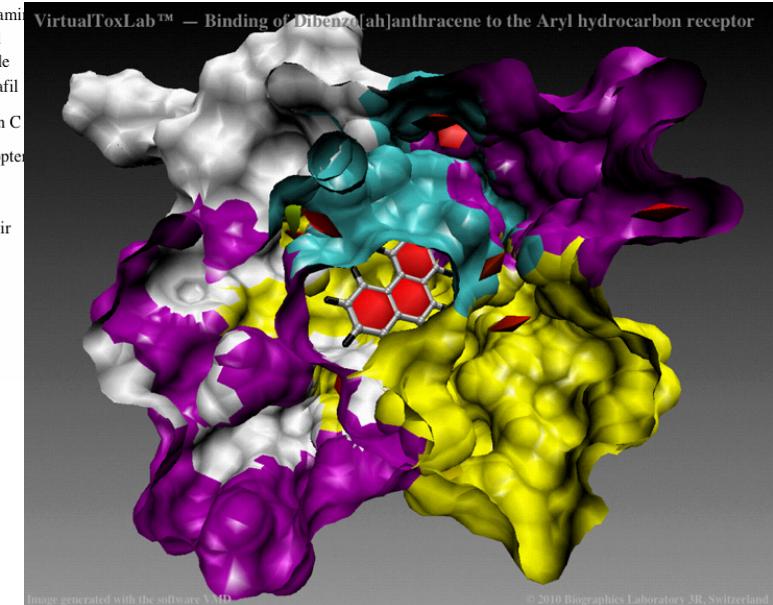
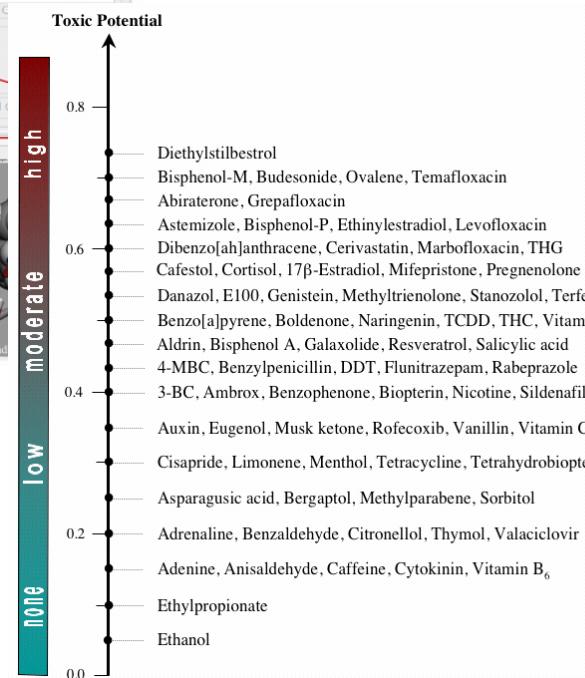


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Emil Fischer – „Vater“ des Molecular Modeling



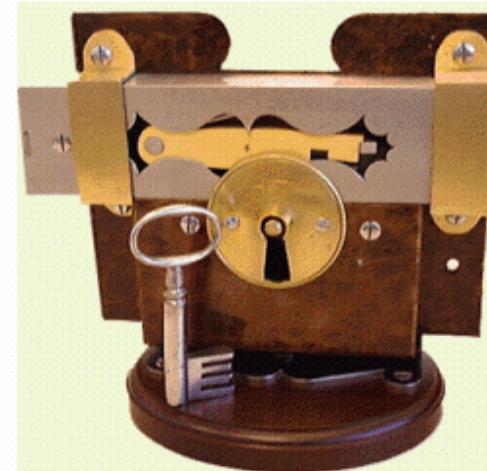
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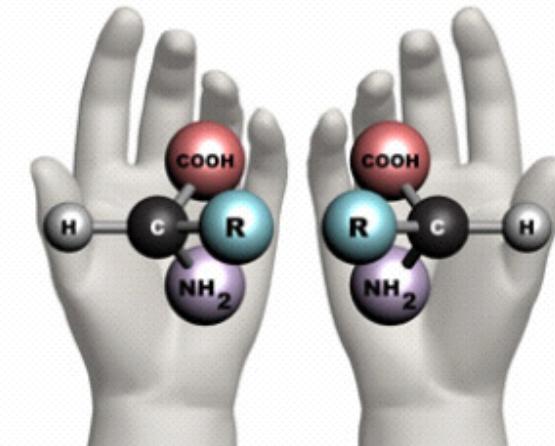
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Schloss-Schlüssel-Prinzip (1894)

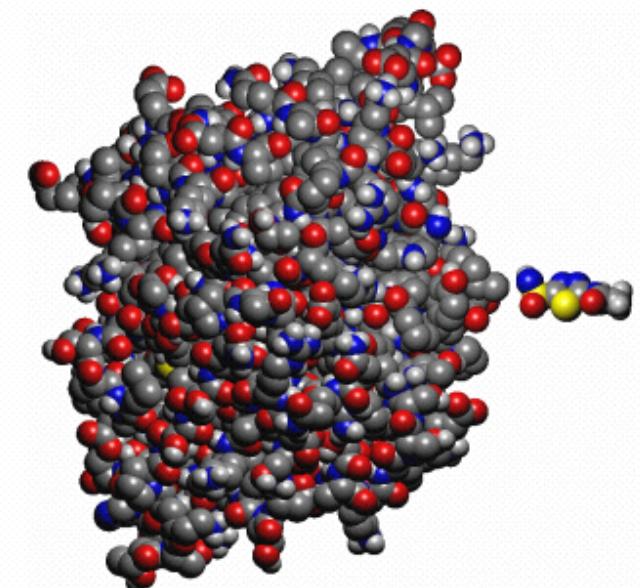
Emil Fischer (1852–1919)
1902: Nobelpreis für Chemie



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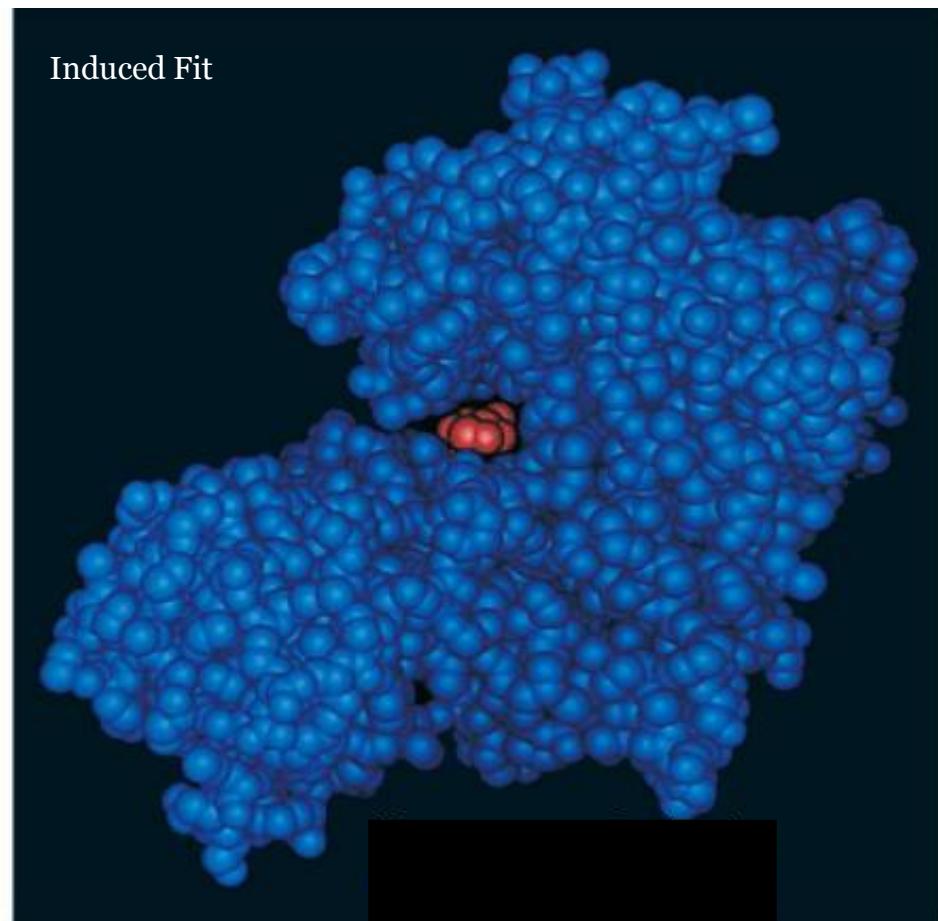
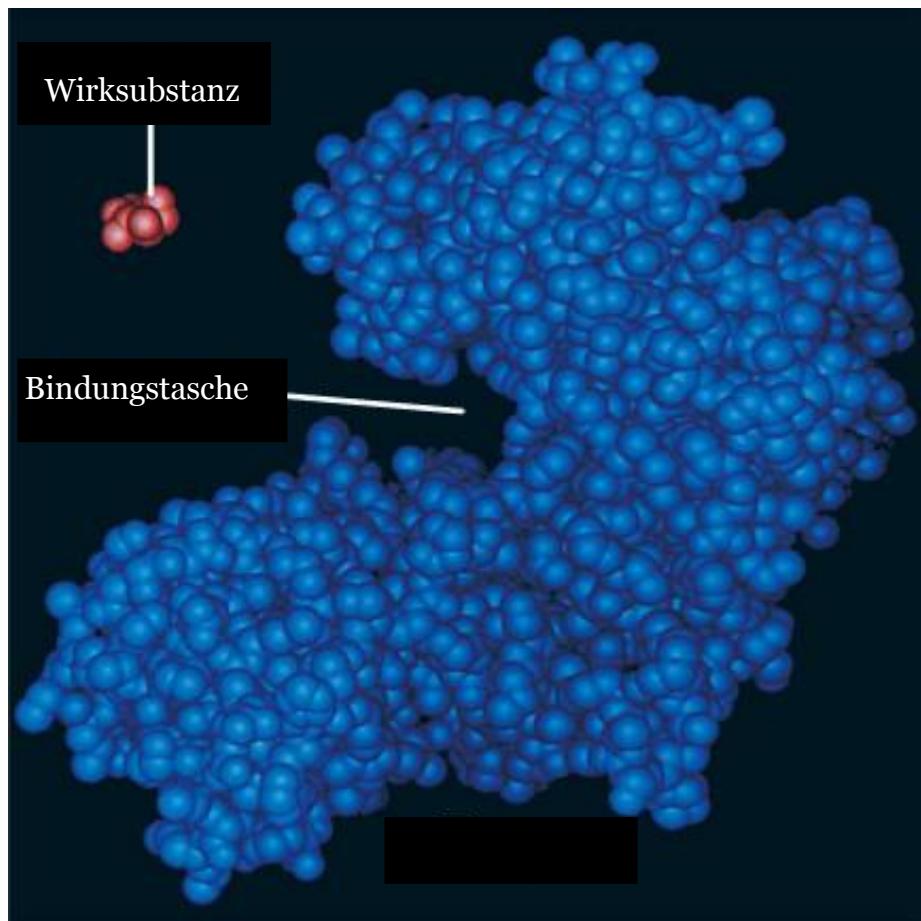
“Um ein Bild zu gebrauchen, will ich sagen, dass Enzym und Glykosid zueinander passen müssen, wie Schloss und Schlüssel, um eine chemische Wirkung aufeinander ausüben zu können.”

Emil Fischer (1894)

Carboanhydrase (Schloss) + Acetazolamid (Schlüssel)



Induced Fit: Biologisches Schloss+Schlüssel sind flexibel

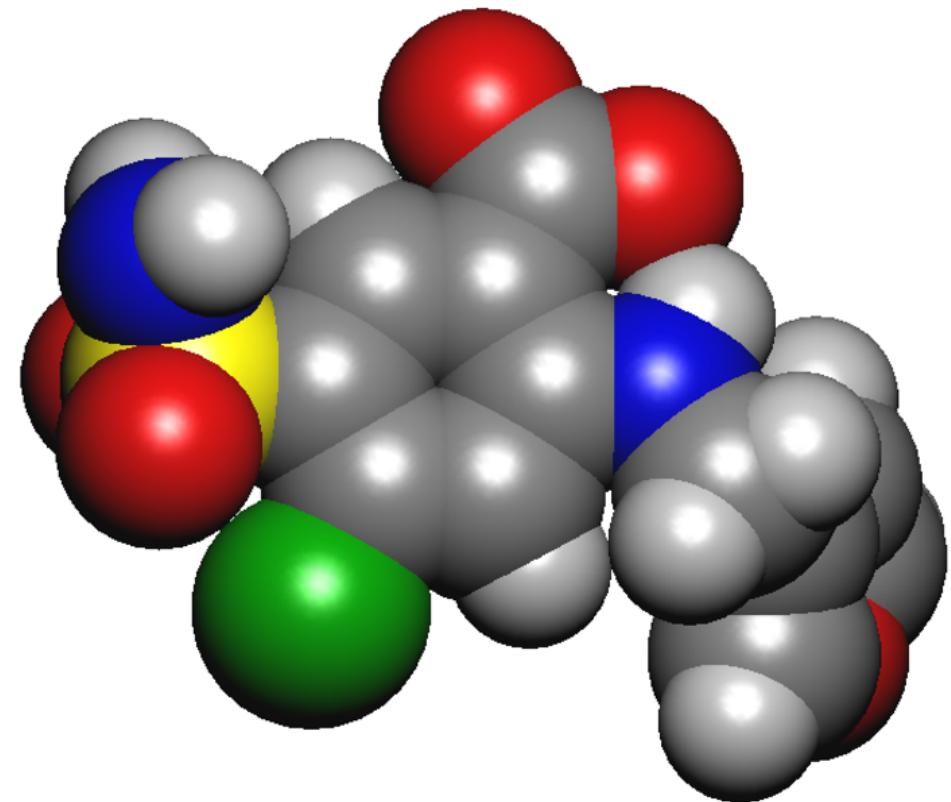
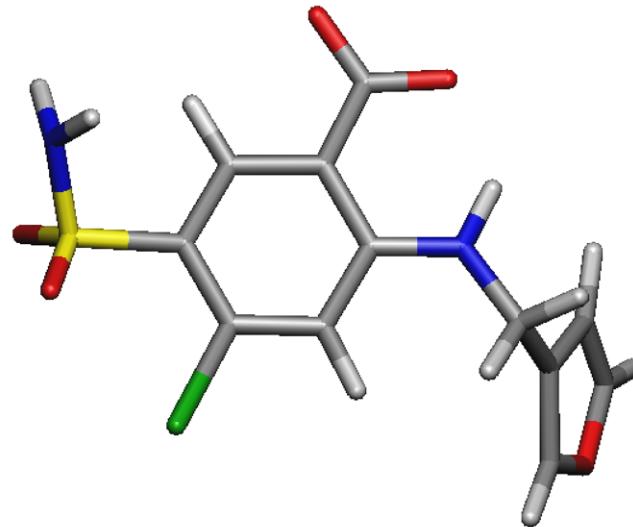
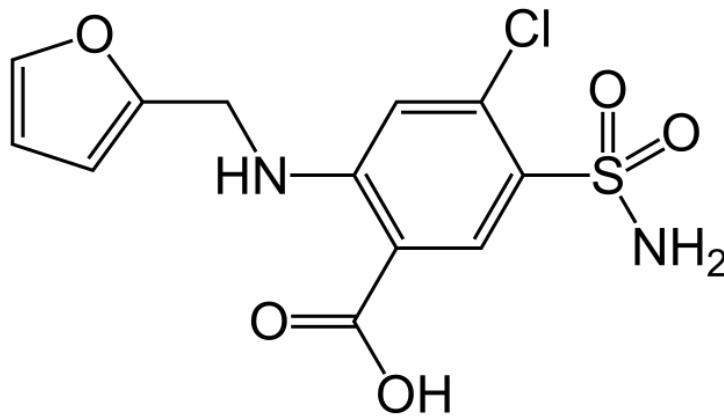


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Diese gegenseitige Anpassung ist eine Ursache von Arzneistoffnebenwirkungen



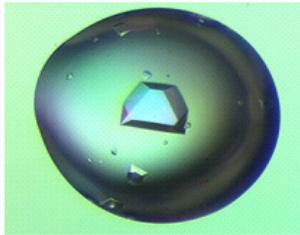
Biologische Schlüssel – interaktives 3D-Modelbuilding



Furosemid – ein Diuretikum



> 135 000 Biologische Schlösser – Protein Data Bank (PDB)



Proteinkristall
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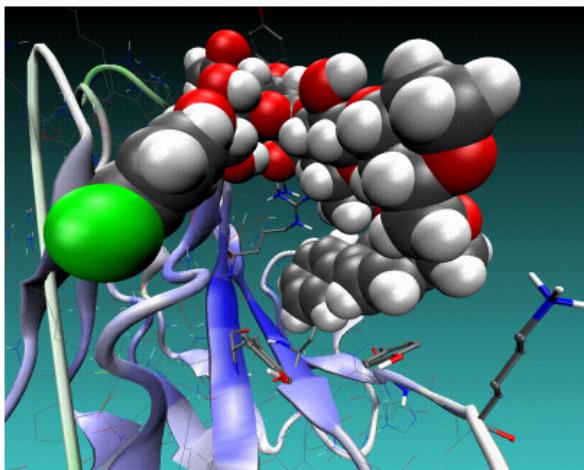
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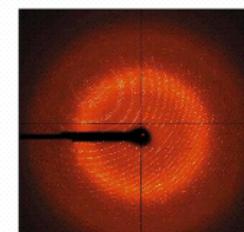
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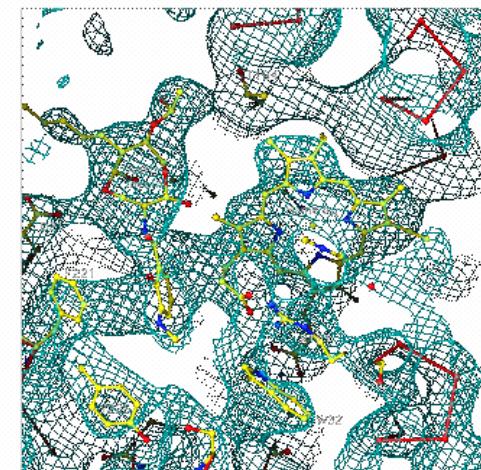
Max Perutz und John Kendrew: Nobelpreis 1964
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Atomistisches Modell



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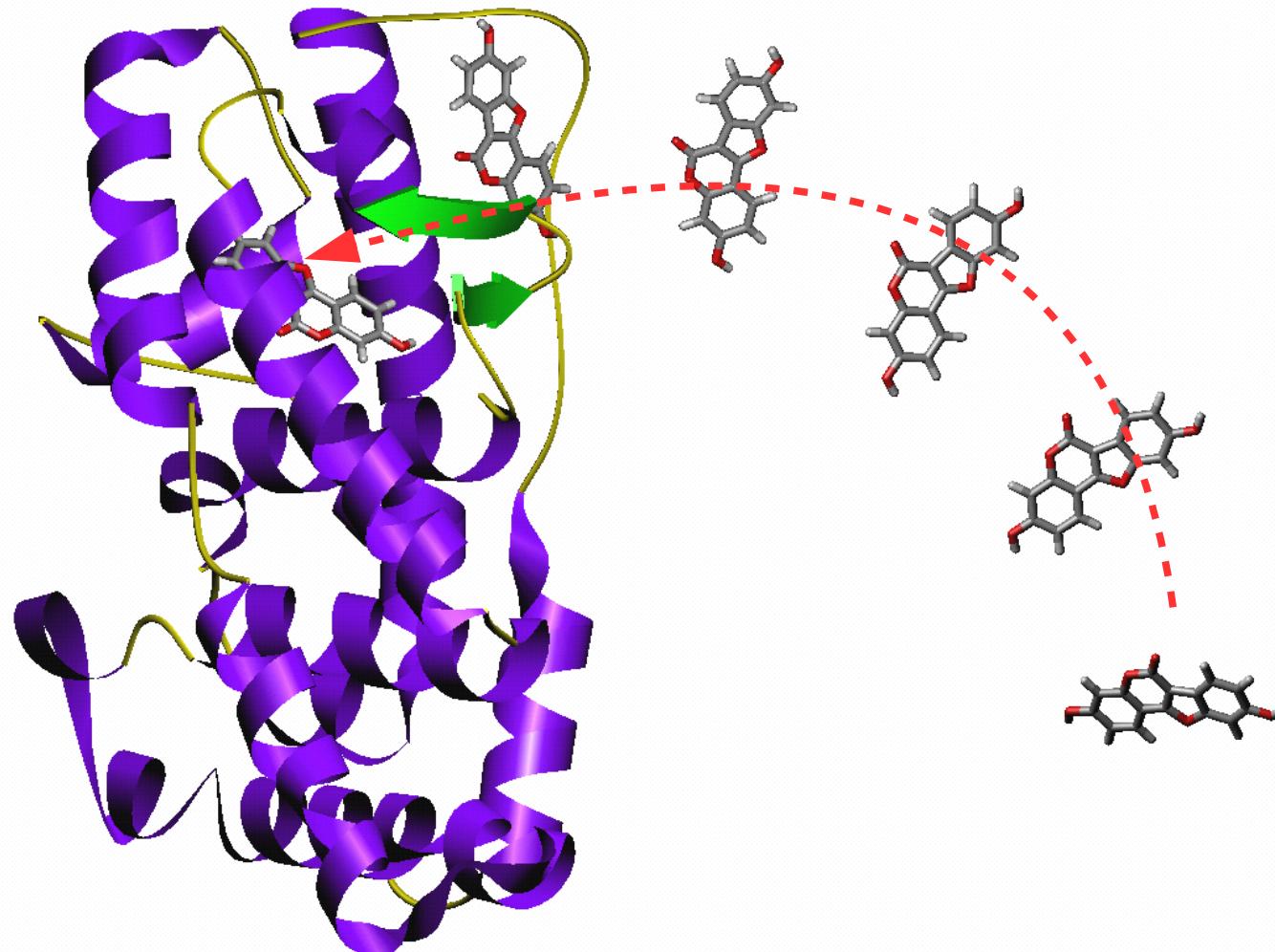
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X-ray + NMR + Cryo-EM + ...



Molecular Docking in Computational Toxicology

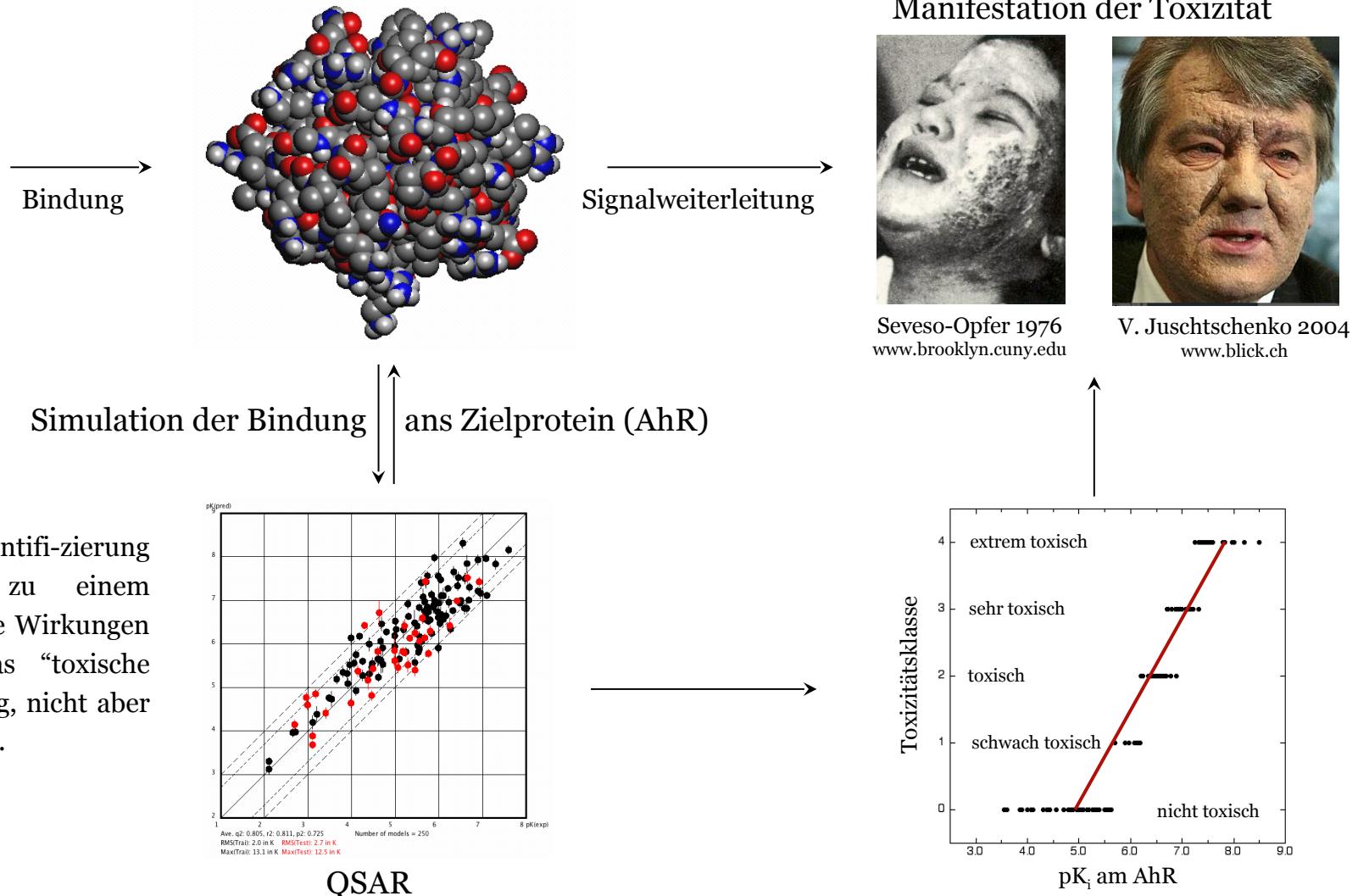
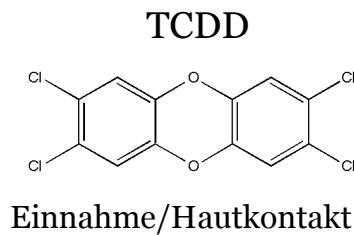
Methoden des struktur-basierten Designs im Einsatz



Andocken einer Substanz in die Bindungstasche (3D-Struktur) eines Proteins

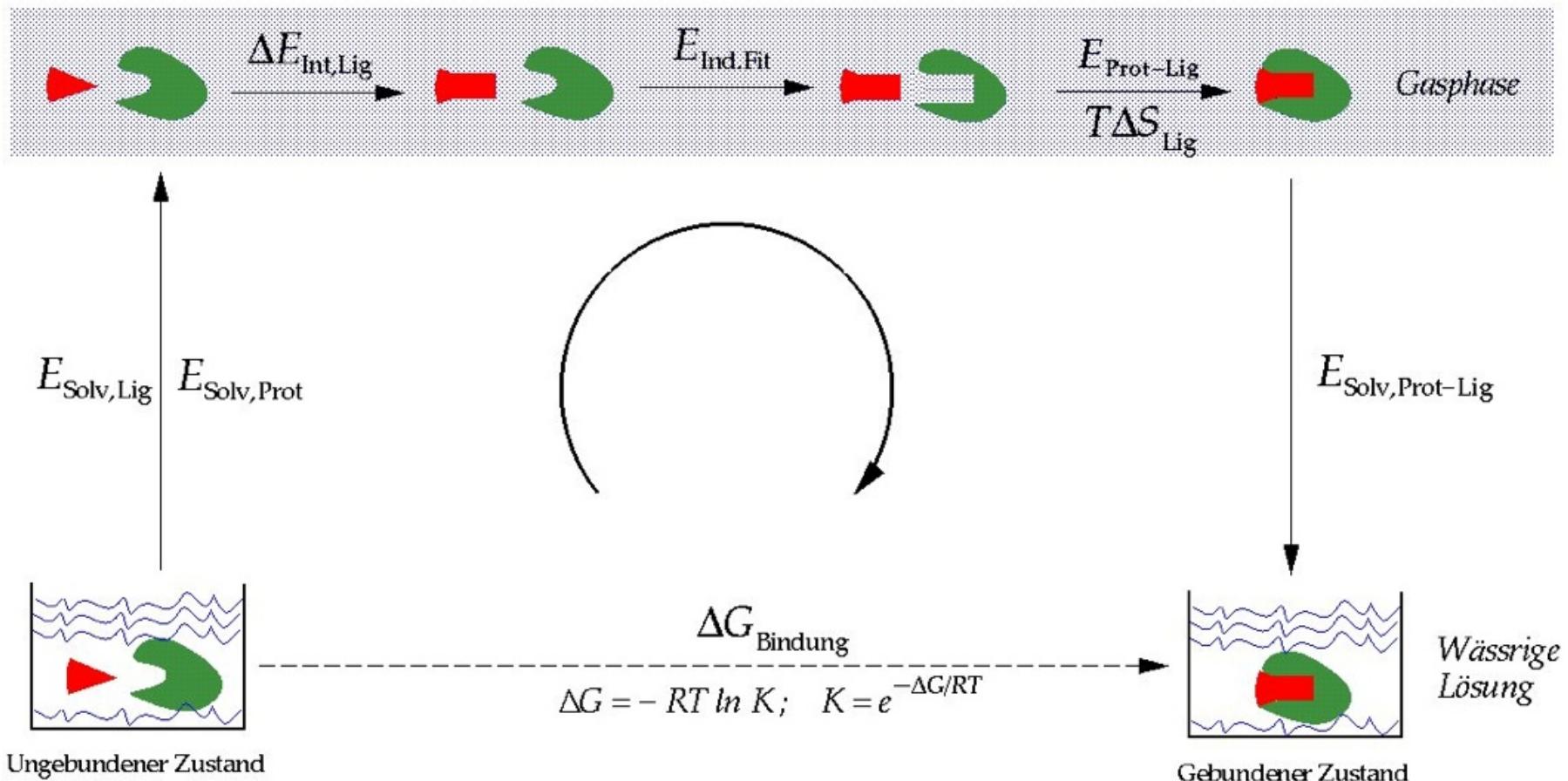


Simulation von Rezeptor-vermittelten Nebenwirkungen





Berechnung der Bindungsaffinität (ΔG) der Wirksubstanz

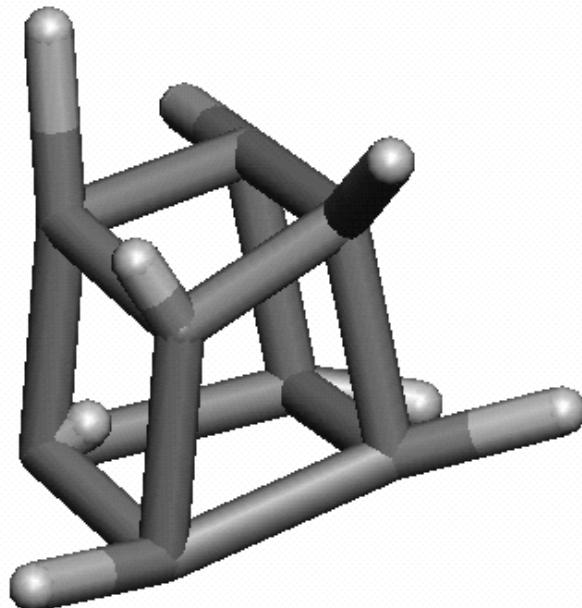


ΔG ist eine Zustandsgrösse, d.h. sie hängt nicht vom eingeschlagenen Weg ab.

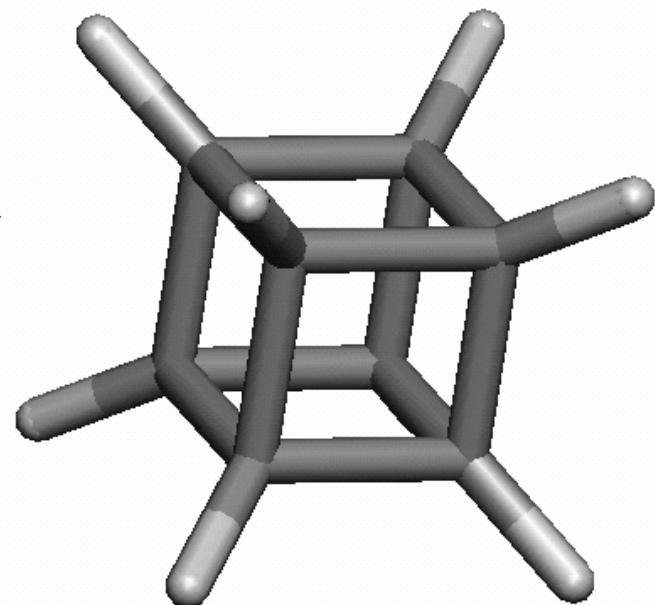


Zentrale Philosophie:

Struktur und Energie eines Moleküls sind in engem Zusammenhang



Energieminimierung
Strukturoptimierung



Definition: Hohe Energie = Instabiles System

Die Energie von Molekülen lässt sich mit Molekülmechanikrechnungen (Kraftfeldrechnungen) minimieren. Dabei wird deren Struktur optimiert.

Tiefe Energie = Stabiles System



Das Kraftfeld – das Gehirn von Moleküloptimierungen

$$E_{total} = \sum_{bonds} K_r (r - r_{eq})^2 + \sum_{angles} K_\theta (\theta - \theta_{eq})^2 + \sum_{torsions} \frac{V_n}{2} [1 + \cos(n\phi - \gamma)] +$$

$$\sum_{nb pairs} \frac{q_i \cdot q_j}{4\pi\epsilon_0 D(r) r_{ij}} + \sum_{nb pairs} \left(\frac{A}{r_{ij}^{12}} - \frac{B}{r_{ij}^6} \right) +$$

$$\sum_{H bonds} \left(\frac{C}{r_{ij}^{12}} - \frac{D}{r_{ij}^{10}} \right) \cdot \cos^2(\theta_{Don-H \cdots Acc}) \cdot \cos^n(\omega_{H \cdots Acc-LP}) +$$

$$\sum_{metal pairs} \frac{q_i^{CT} \cdot q_j^{CT}}{4\pi\epsilon_0 D(r) r_{ij}} + \sum_{metal pairs} \left(\frac{E}{r_{ij}^{12}} - \frac{F}{r_{ij}^{10}} \right) +$$

$$\sum_{atoms} -\frac{1}{2} \alpha_i [\vec{E}_i^\circ \cdot \vec{E}_i]$$

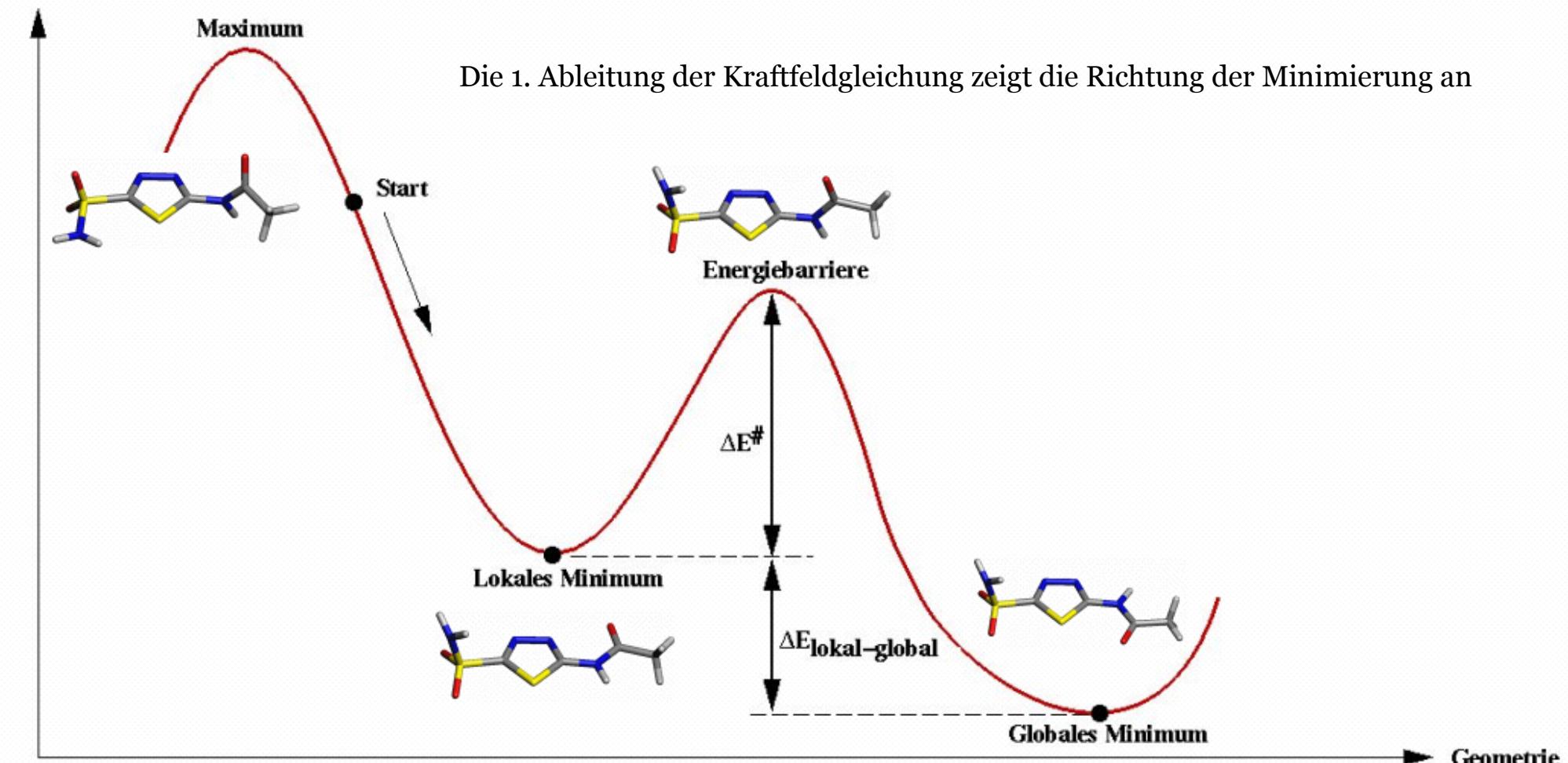
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Die Kraftfeldgleichung erstellt die Beziehung zwischen Struktur und Energie



Der „Minimizer“ – der Motor von Moleküloptimierungen

Energie

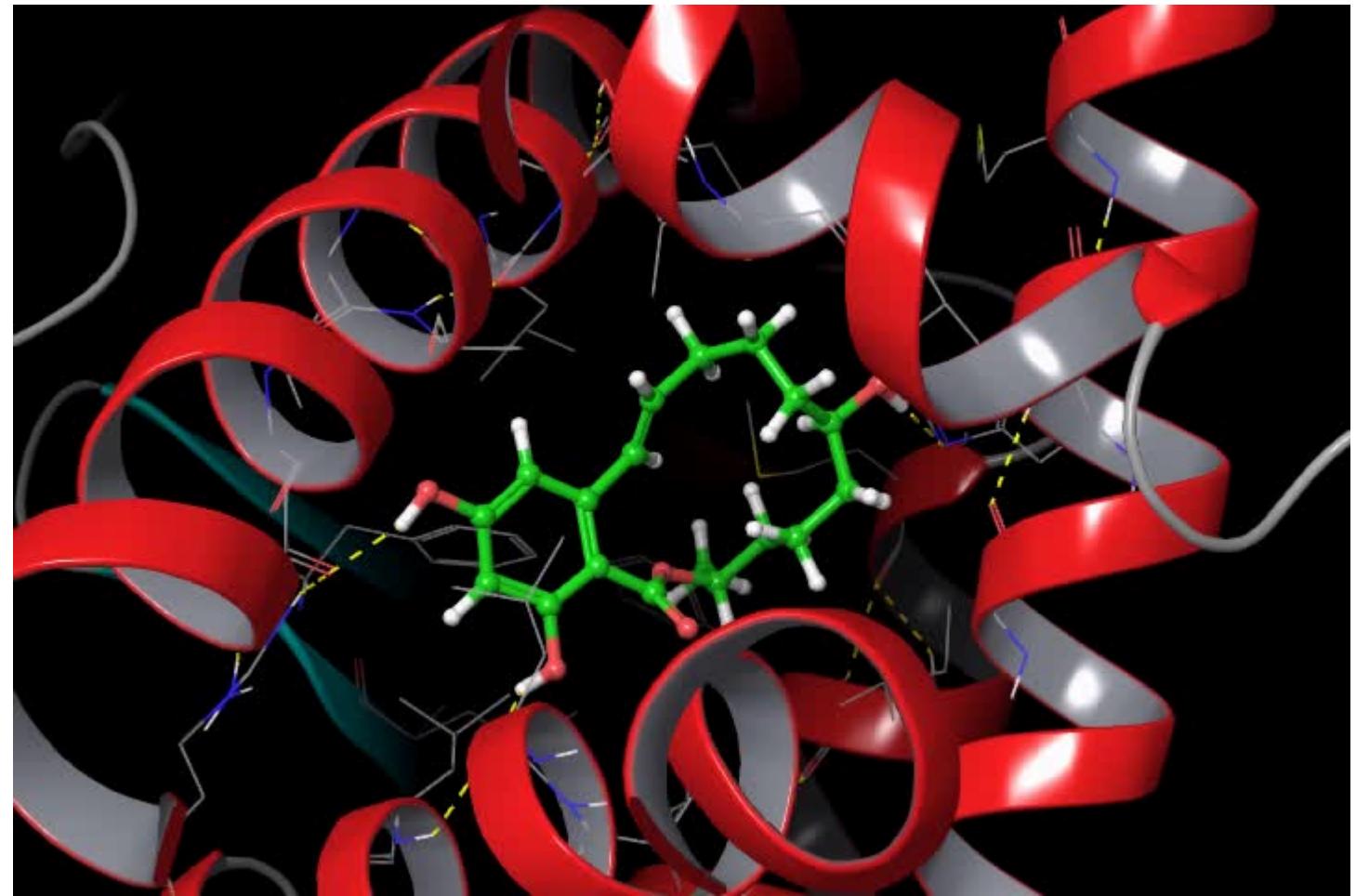
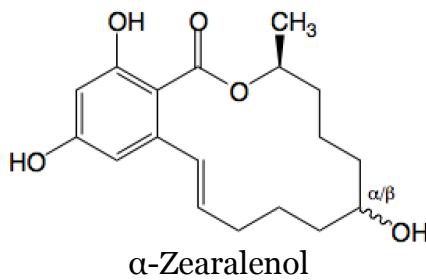


Molekülmechanik-Optimierungen enden immer im nächsten lokalen Minimum



Moleküldynamik-Simulationen

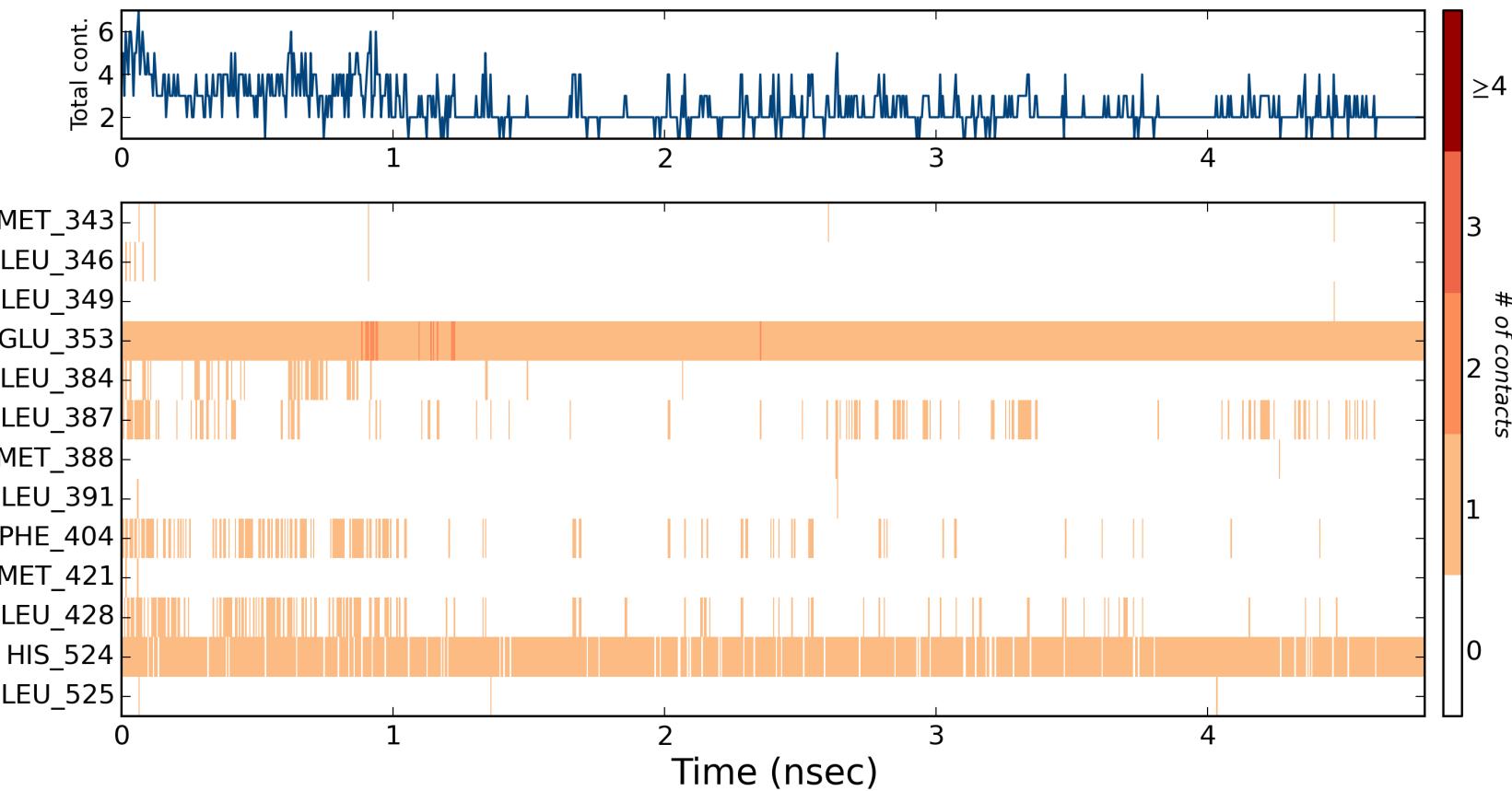
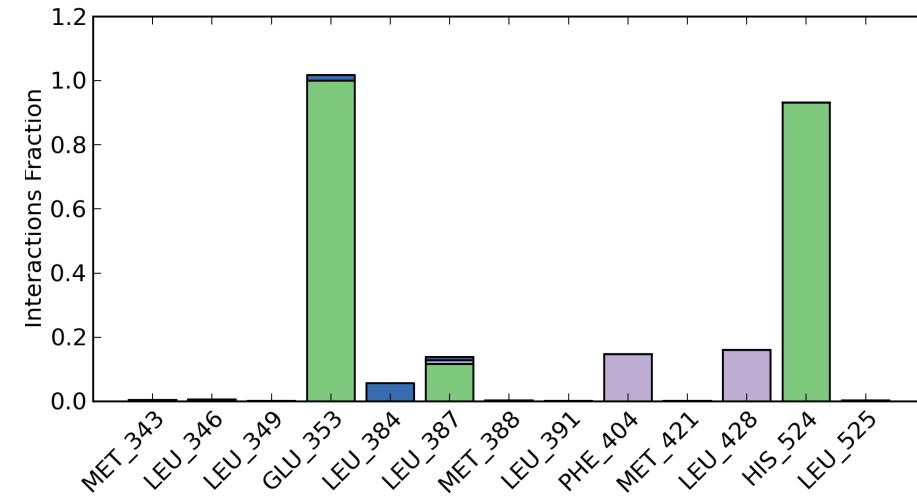
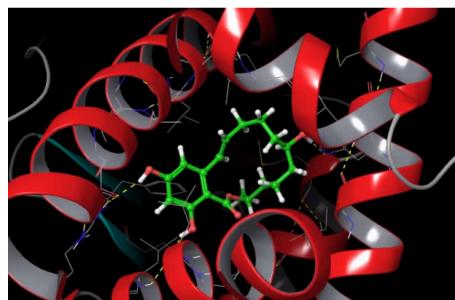
Newton'sche Bewegungsgleichung (1687): $r(t+\Delta t) = r(t) + \partial r / \partial t \cdot \Delta t + 0.5 \cdot \partial^2 r / \partial t^2 \cdot \Delta t^2$



4.8 ns MD simulation of docked α -zearalenol at the Estrogen receptor α
(Software *Desmond*, D.E.Shaw, New York)



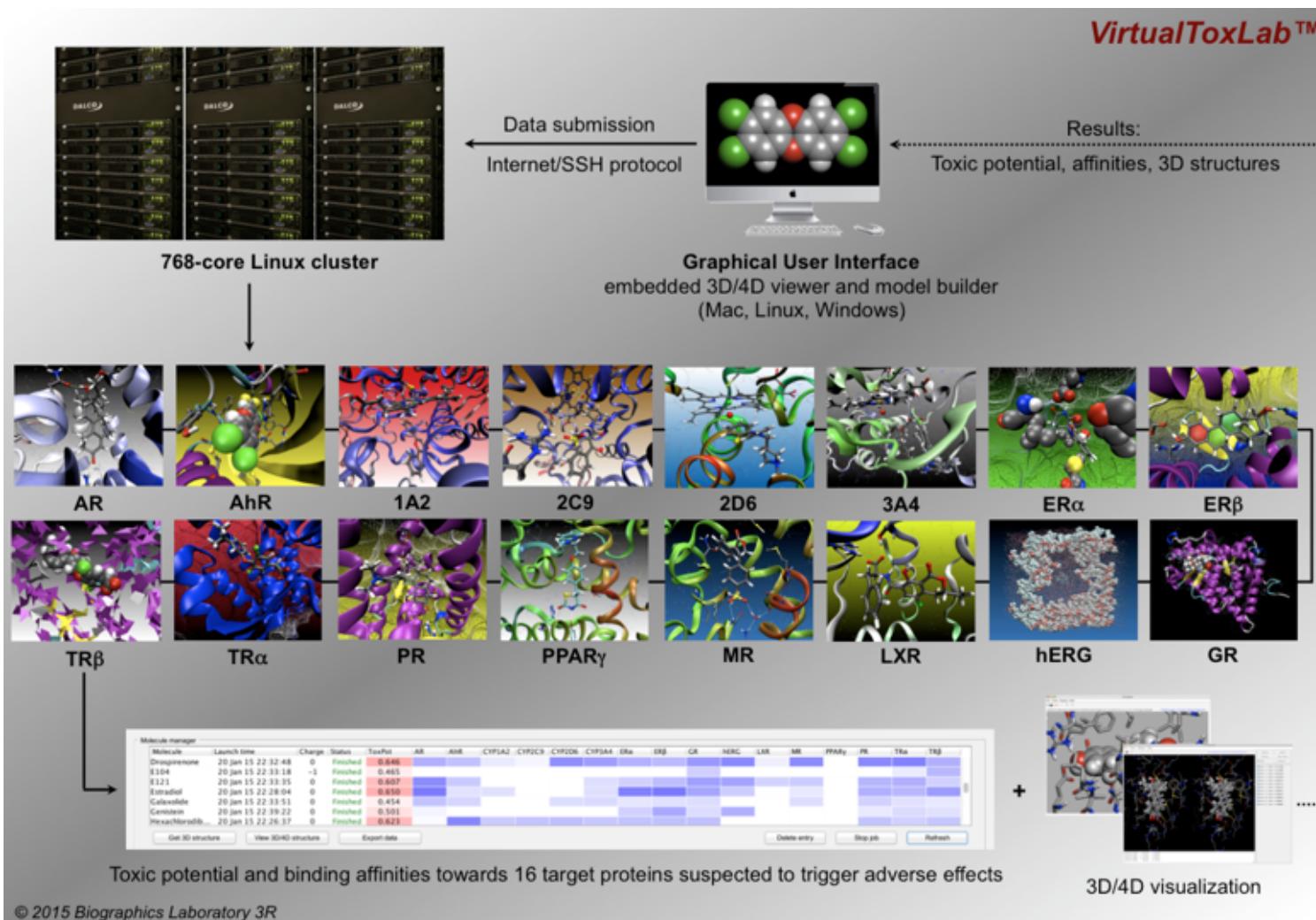
MD Simulation





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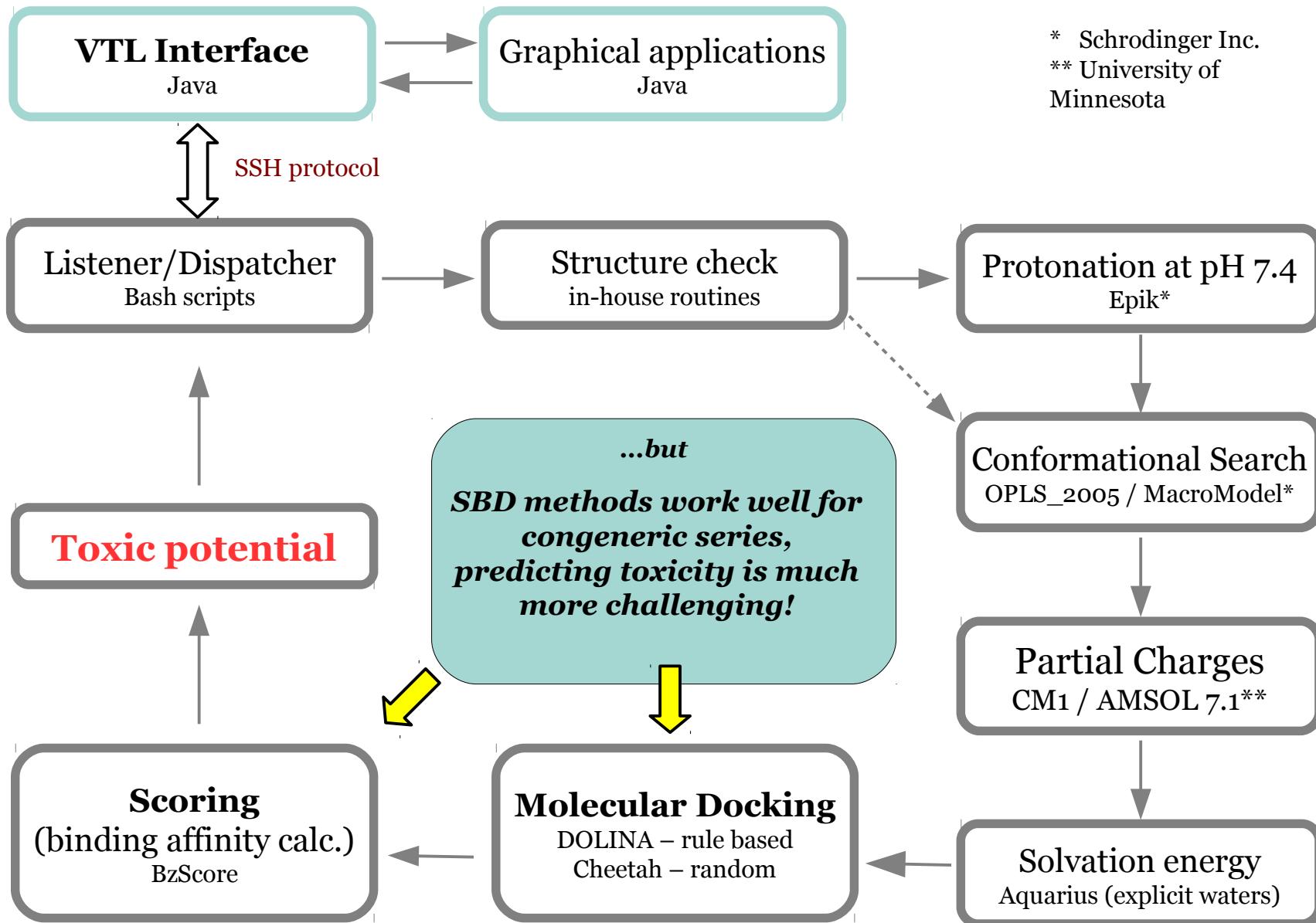
Automatisierte Voraussage des toxischen Potentials
von Arzneistoffen, (Umwelt-) Chemikalien und Naturstoffen



☞ <http://www.virtualtoxlab.org>, Toxicol. Appl. Pharmacol. 2012, 261, 142–153 und Tox. Lett. 2015, 232, 519–532



VirtualToxLab – Technisches Flussdiagramm

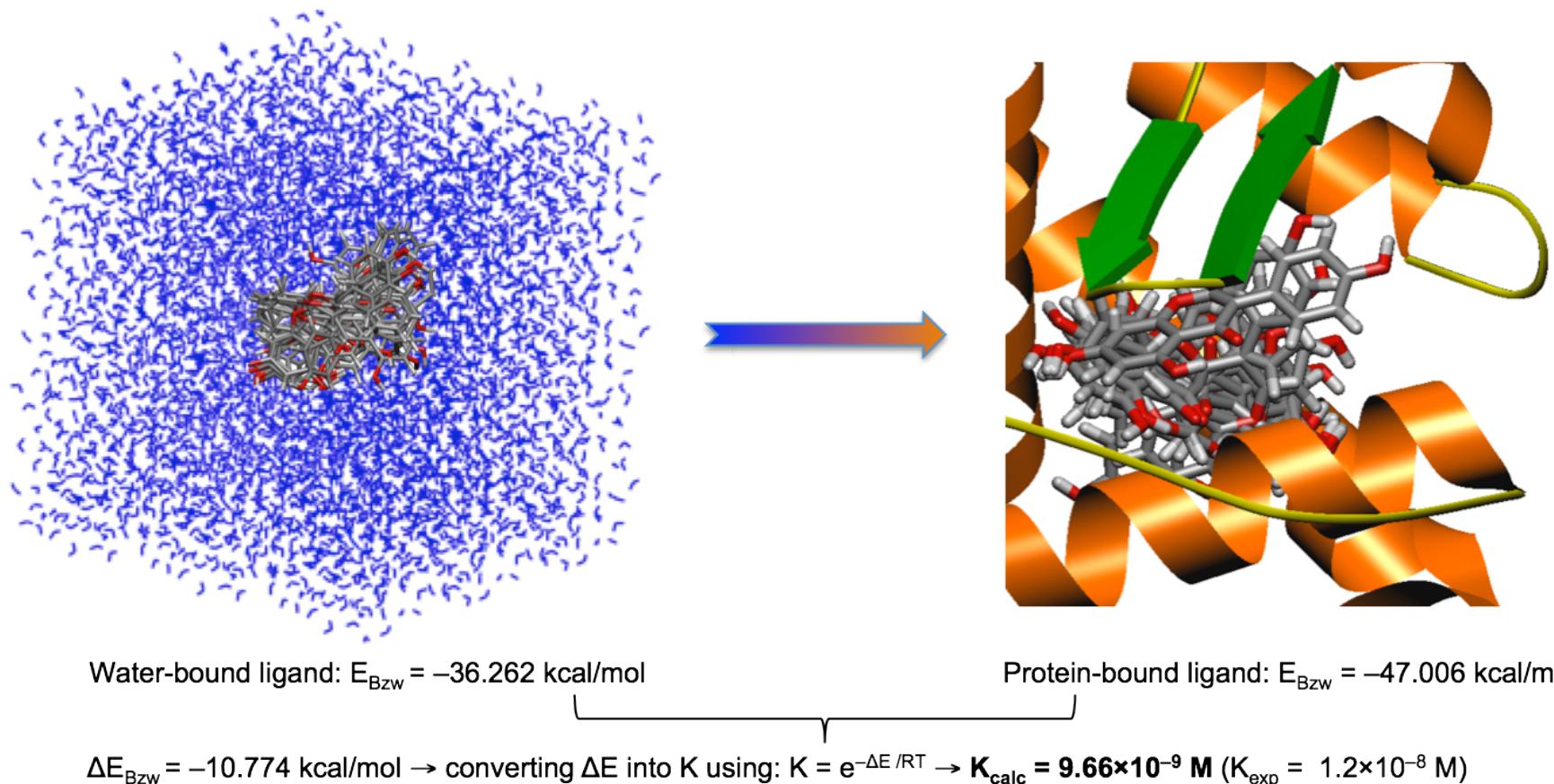




VirtualToxLab – Boltzmann Bewertung (4D)

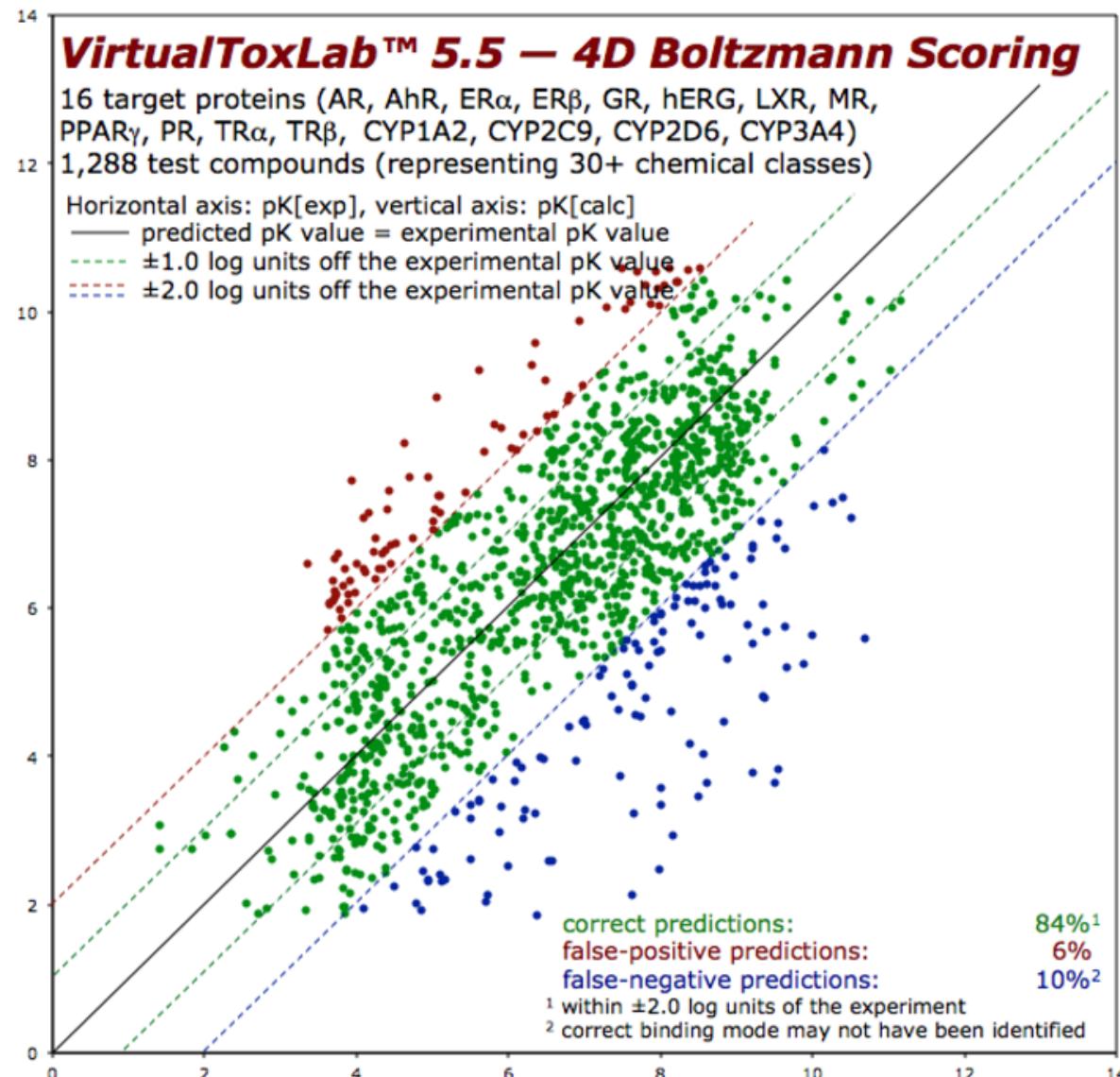
Direkte Bewertung des Wasser-Protein-Übergangs einer Wirksubstanz (4D Boltzmann-Ensemble)

Beispiel: Genistein → Estrogen receptor β





VirtualToxLab – Validierung anhand von 1,288 Substanzen





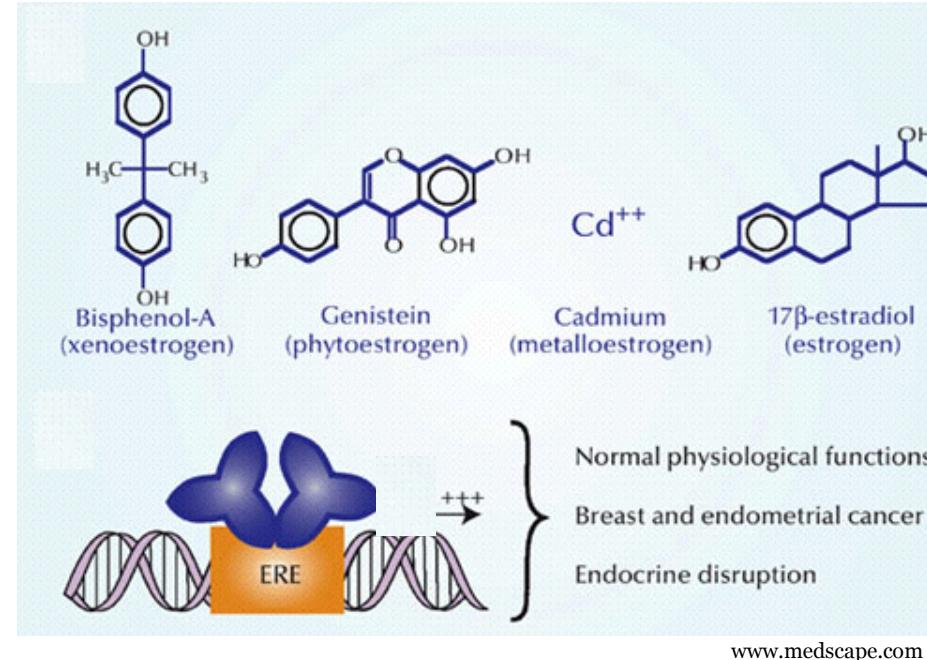
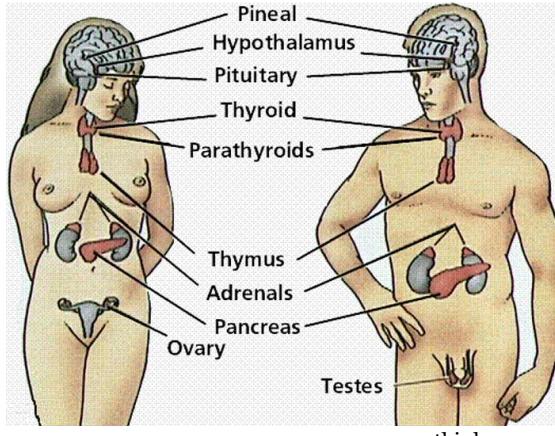
VirtualToxLab – Grafische Schnittstelle (Interface)

The screenshot illustrates the VirtualToxLab graphical interface, showing its various components and features:

- Molecule manager:** A table listing molecules with their launch time, charge, status, and toxic potential (ToxPot) across various targets. A tooltip for Fluticasone indicates a GR affinity of 1.46 nM.
- Fingerprinting:** A color-coded heatmap where depth indicates affinity. A callout provides a detailed explanation of the fingerprinting system.
- Buttons:** Get 3D structure, View 3D/4D structure, Export data, Export binding data (csv), Delete entry, Stop job, Refresh.
- Select target protein(s):** A list of checkboxes for Androgen, Aryl Hydrocarbon, CYP450-1A2, CYP450-2C9, CYP450-2D6, CYP450-3A4, Glucocorticoid, HERG K⁺ channel, Estrogen alpha, Estrogen beta, Liver X, Mineralocorticoid, PPAR gamma, Progesterone, Thyroid alpha, and Thyroid beta.
- Download 3D structure of ligand–protein complex (PDB):** A button to download the PDB file.
- Tokens left:** 8201.
- Protonation state:** Options for automatic (pH 7.4) or user-defined protonation states.
- Conformation sampling:** Options for standard or double sampling.
- Submit molecule:** VTL Builder, Structure file: /Users/Biograf/VirtualToxLab/Genistein.pdb, Browse, View input, Submit.
- Messages:** None.
- Load:** 44 %.
- Launch 3D model builder:** A 3D molecular model of Genistein.
- View binding mode in real-time 3D (or 4D):** A 3D model showing the binding mode of a ligand to a protein.
- View input structure:** A 2D chemical structure of Genistein.
- Submit compound:** A 3D molecular model of Genistein.

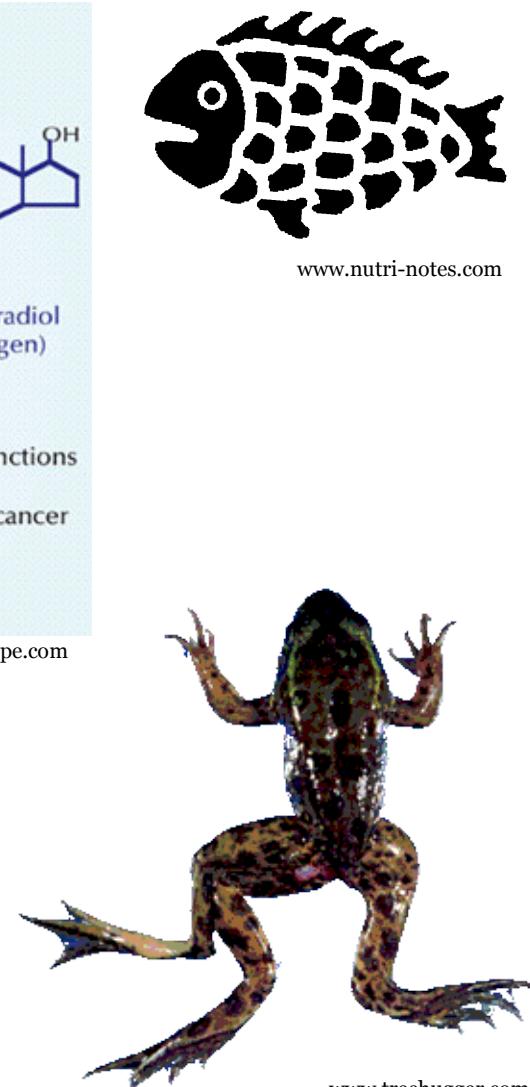


Nebenwirkungen/Toxizität: Endokrine Störungen



Endokrine Disruptoren (hormonell aktive Substanzen) – auch "Tarnkappenchemikalien" genannt – sind körperfremde Substanzen, die wie Hormone ins Endokrine System ein-greifen können und dort zerstörerische Wirkungen entfalten können. Solche Substanzen wurden mit toxischen Effekten in Tieren in Verbindung gebracht und lassen vermuten, dass kleinste Mengen beim Menschen vergleichbare Effekte hervorrufen können.

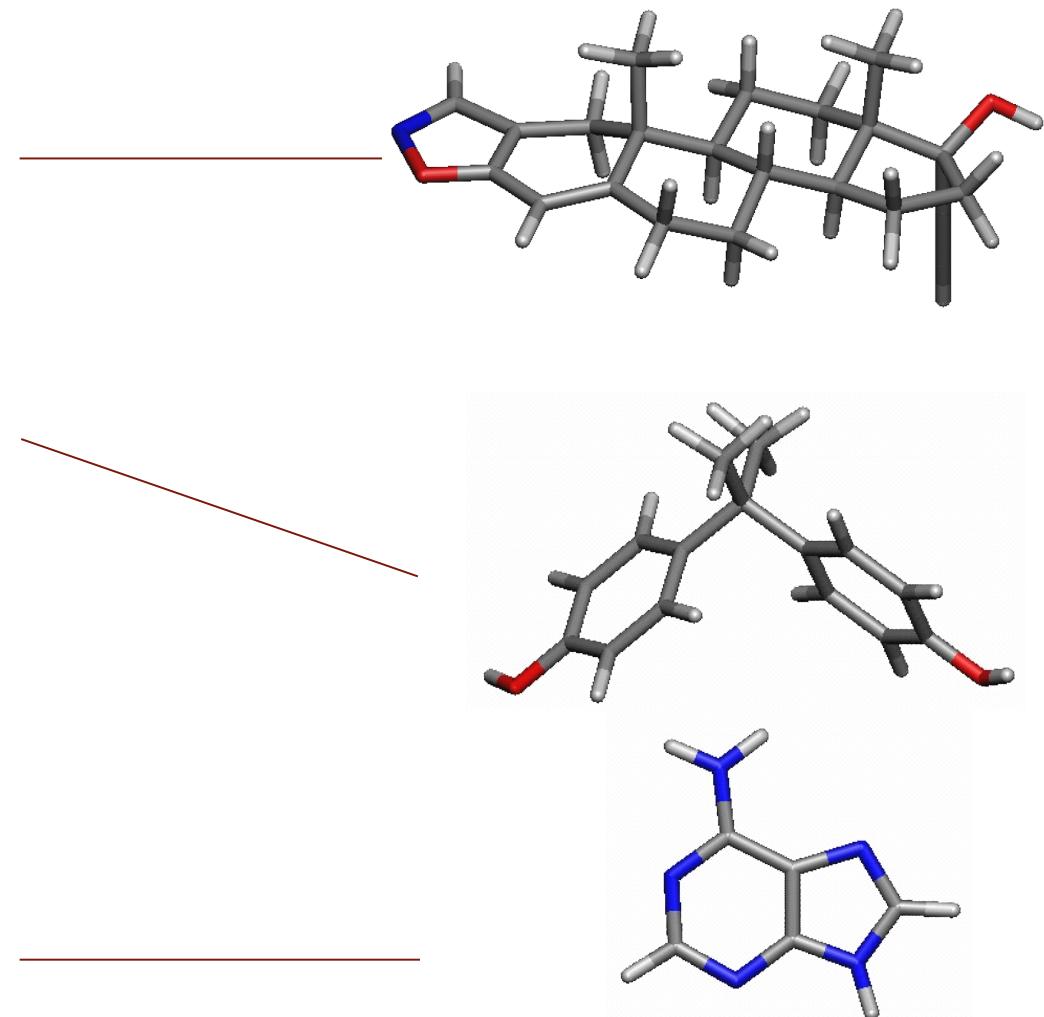
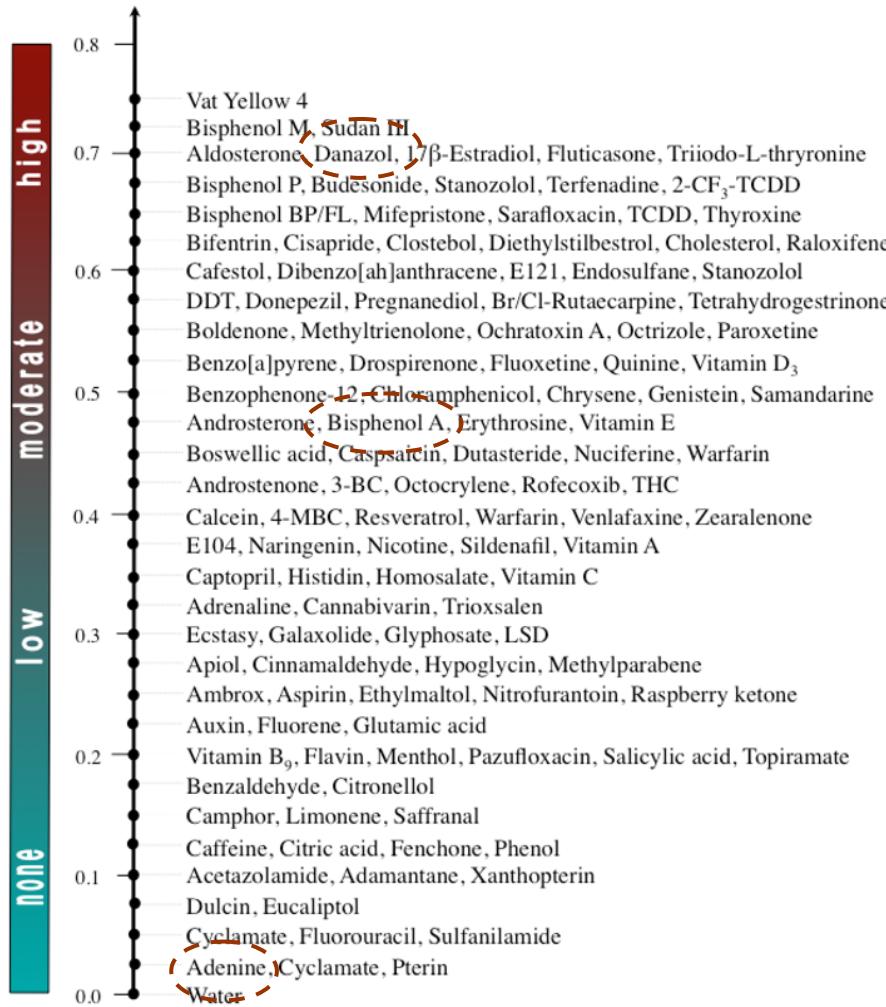
☞ Diethylstilbestrol, Thalidomid: vom Markt genommen





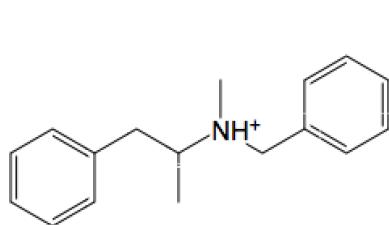
VirtualToxLab – “Toxicity Alerts”

Toxic Potential

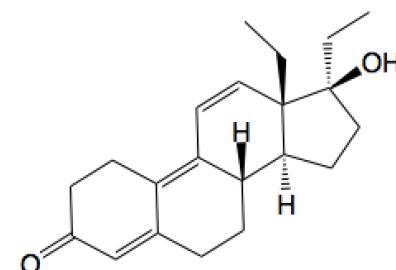




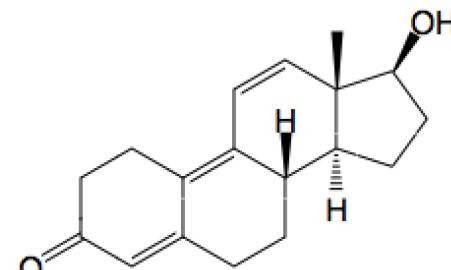
VirtualToxLab – Analyse von verbotenen Dopingsubstanzen



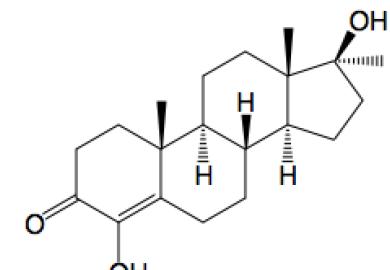
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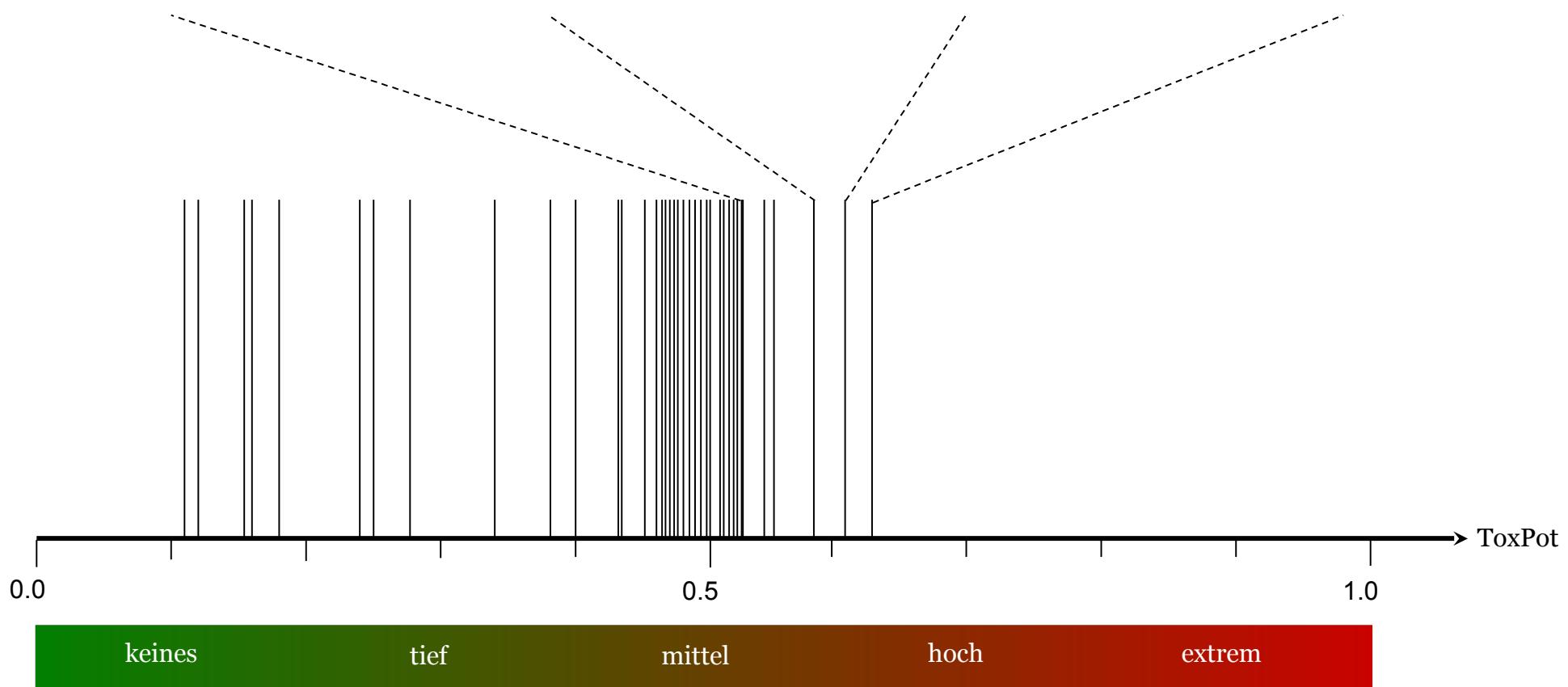
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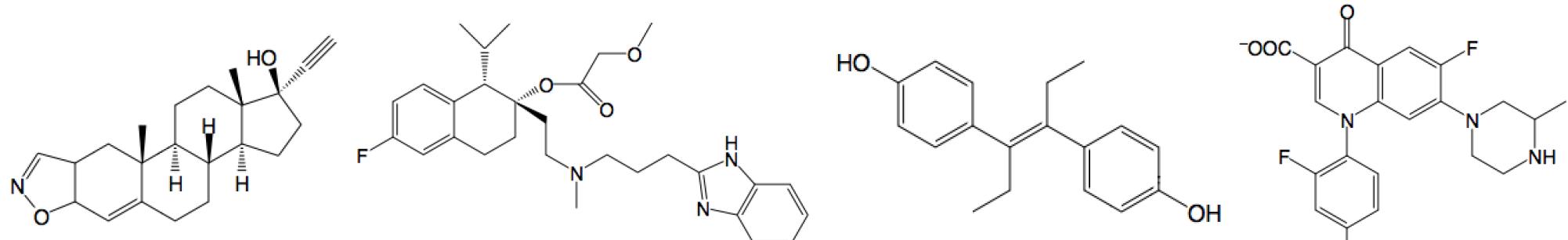


Oxymesteron





VirtualToxLab – Vom Markt zurückgezogene Substanzen

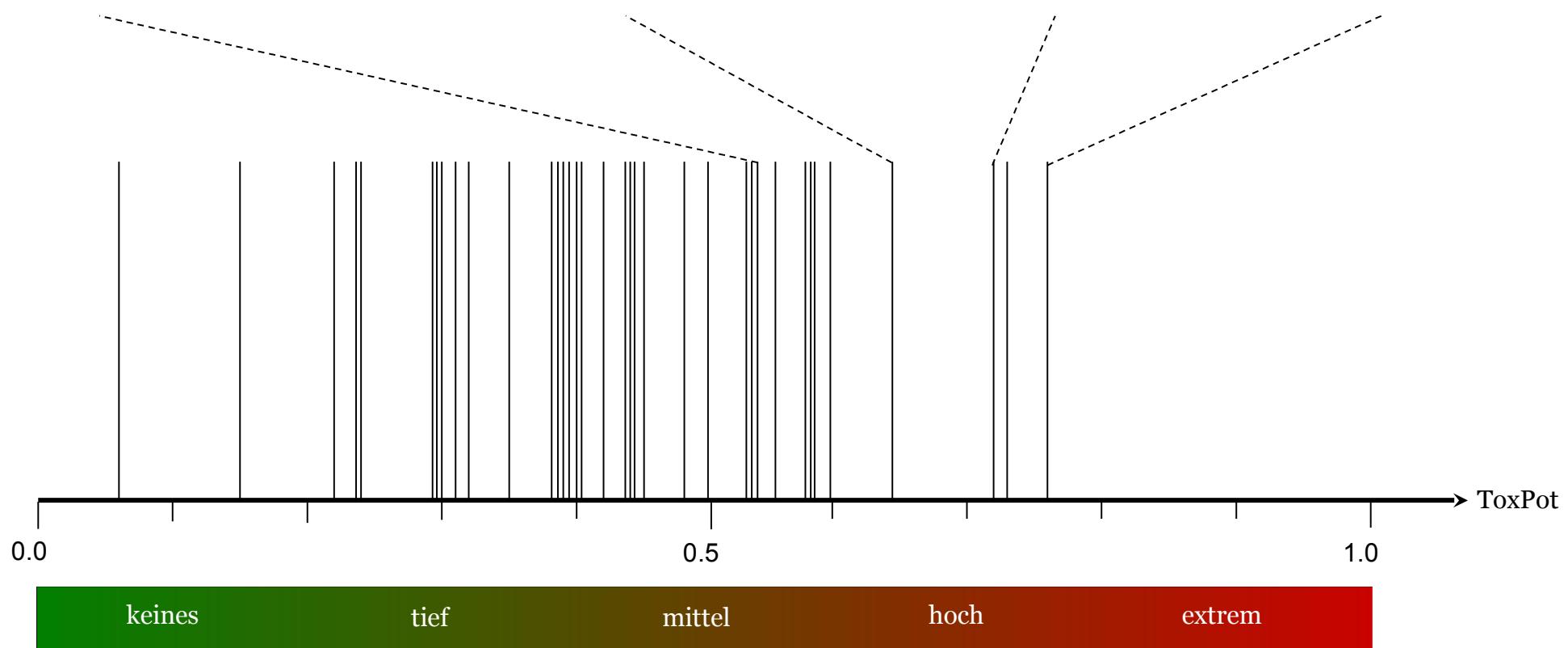


Danazol

Mibepradil

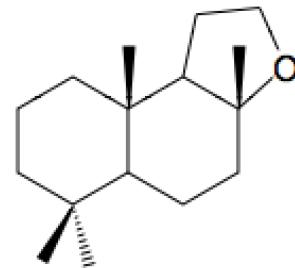
Diethylstilbestrol

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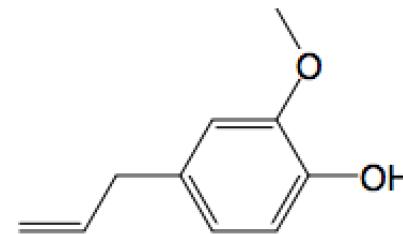




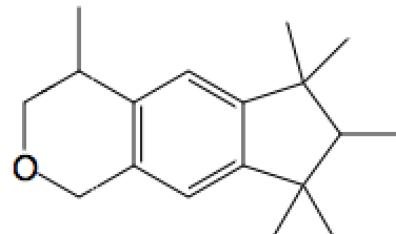
VirtualToxLab – Duftstoffe in Parfüms



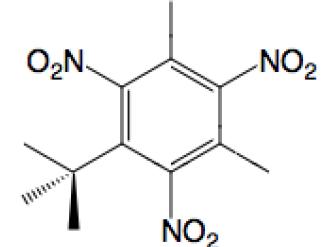
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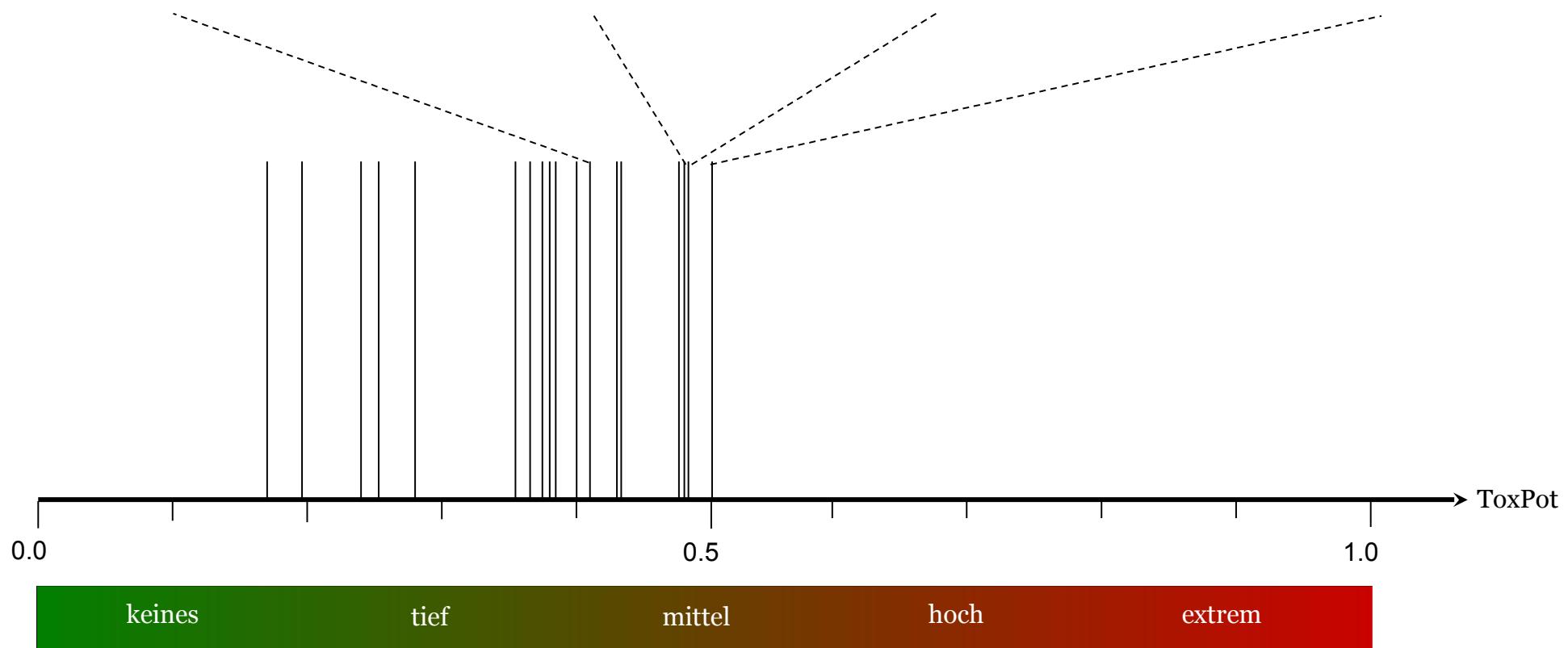
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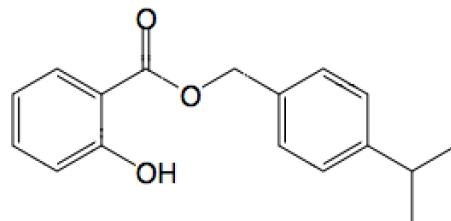


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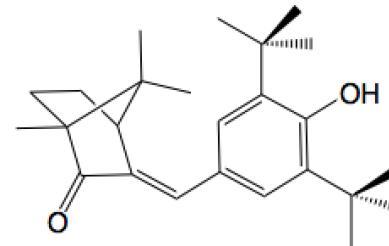




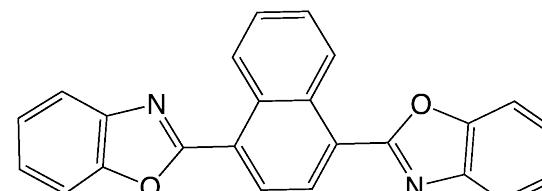
VirtualToxLab – UV-Filter und einige ihrer Metaboliten



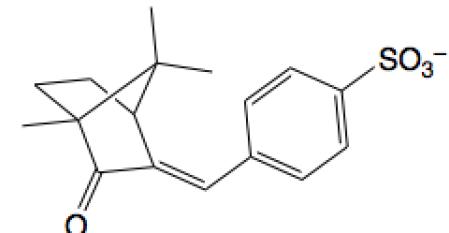
4-Isopropylbenzylsalicylate



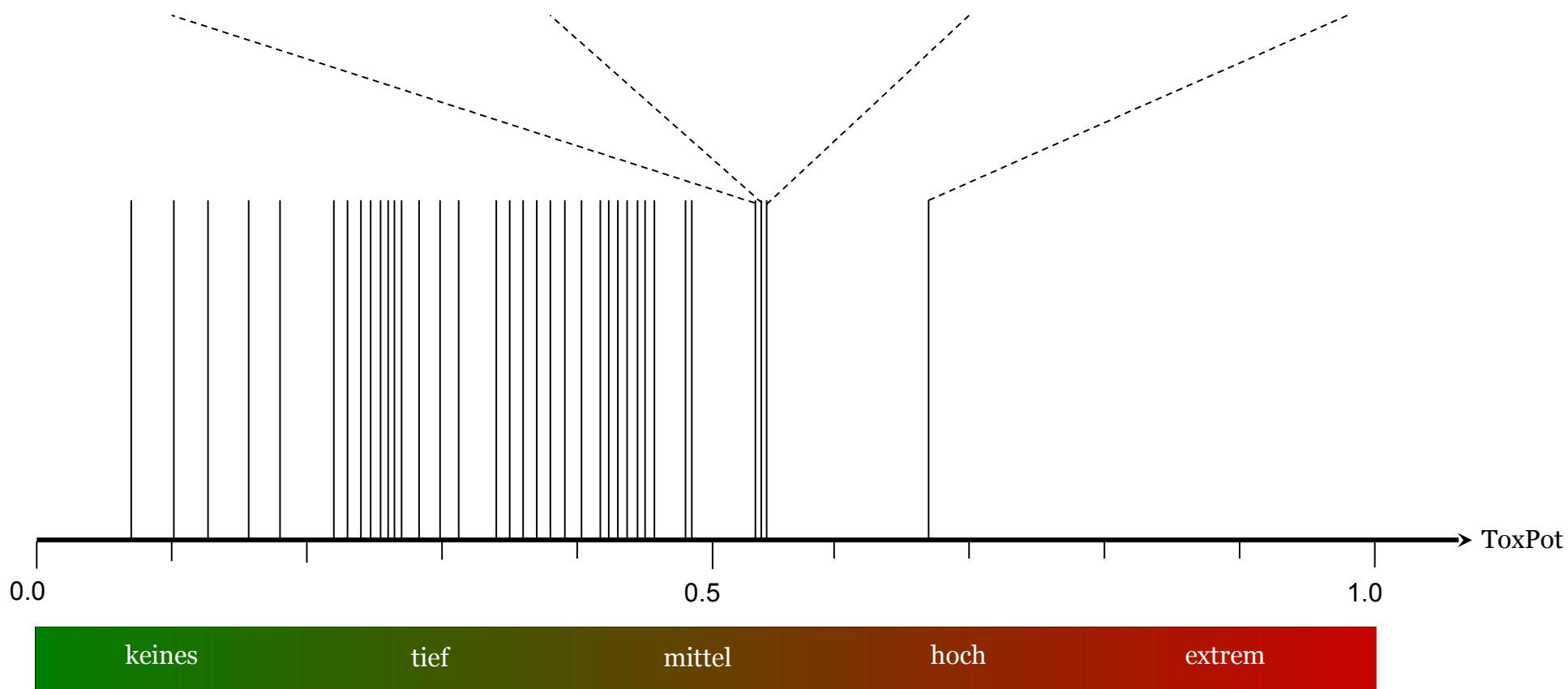
Di-tert.-butylhydroxybenzylidenecamphor



Dibenzoxazinylnaphtalene



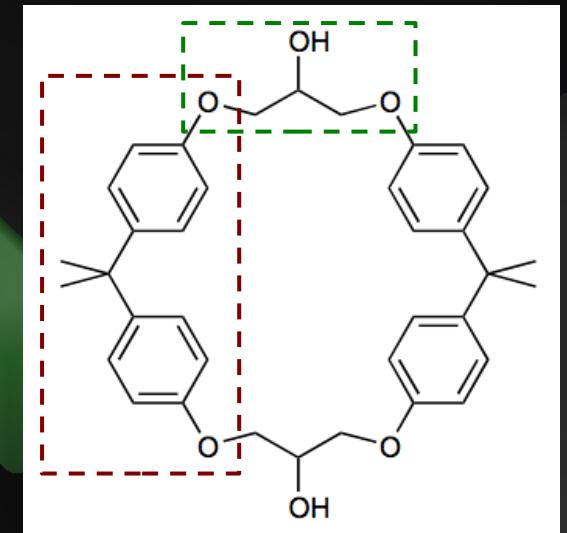
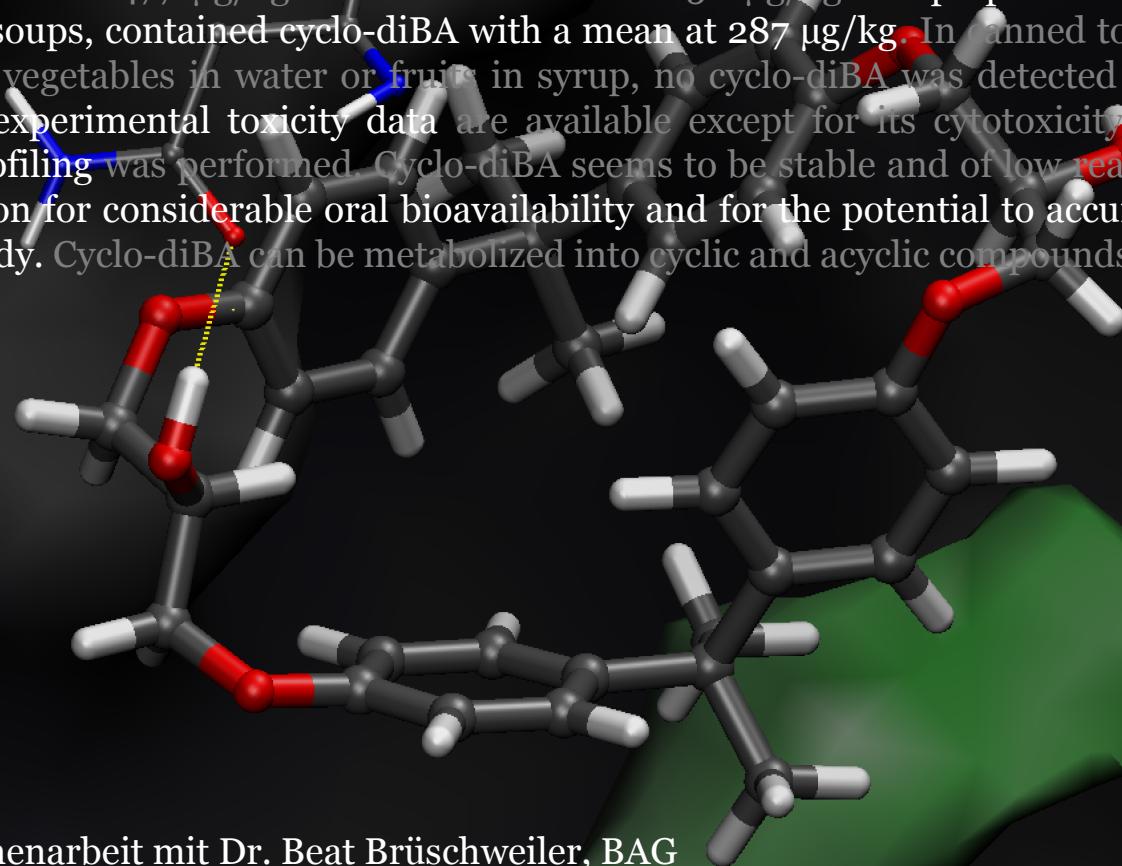
4-Methylbenzylidenecamphor sulfonic acid





Cyclo-diBA — Toxisches Nebenprodukt in Konservendosen

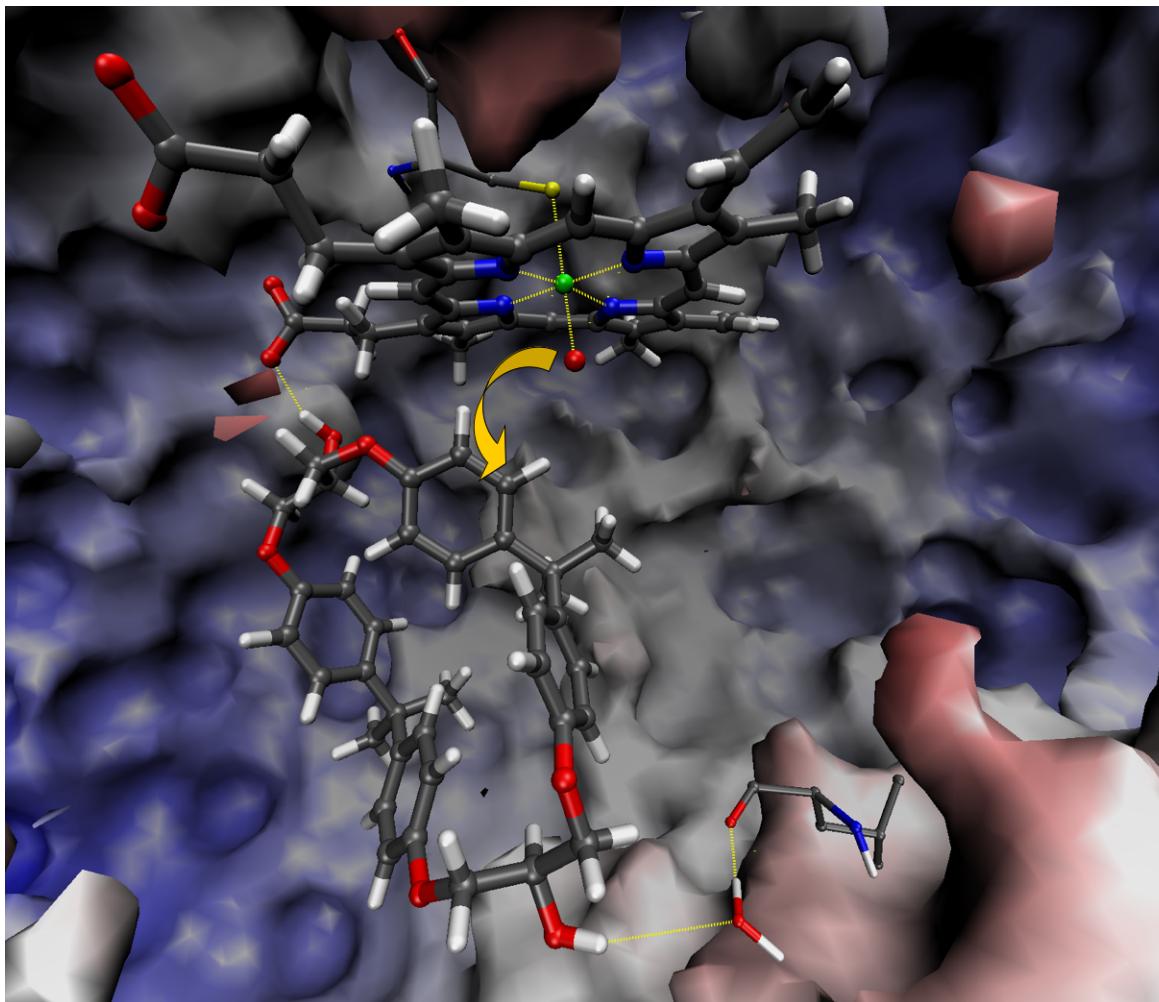
Cyclo-diBA, the cyclic product formed from bisphenol A and diglycidyl ether during the production of epoxy resins. Half of the samples of canned fish in oil collected in April 2010 contained cyclo-diBA with an average concentration of 1025 µg/kg and a maximum of 1980 µg/kg. The majority of the canned meat products contained cyclo-diBA at a mean concentration of 477 µg/kg and a maximum of 1050 µg/kg. All prepared meals, such as ravioli or soups, contained cyclo-diBA with a mean at 287 µg/kg. In canned tomatoes, peas and other vegetables in water or fruits in syrup, no cyclo-diBA was detected (<25 µg/kg). Since no experimental toxicity data are available except for its cytotoxicity, an *in silico* hazard profiling was performed. Cyclo-diBA seems to be stable and of low reactivity. There is indication for considerable oral bioavailability and for the potential to accumulate in the human body. Cyclo-diBA can be metabolized into cyclic and acyclic compounds.



Zusammenarbeit mit Dr. Beat Brüschiweiler, BAG



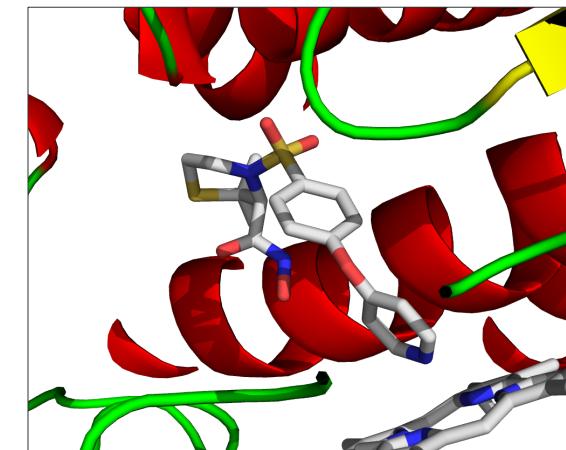
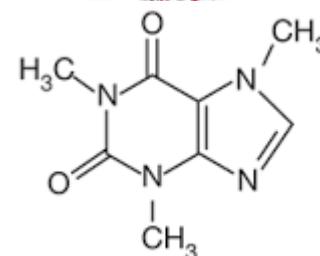
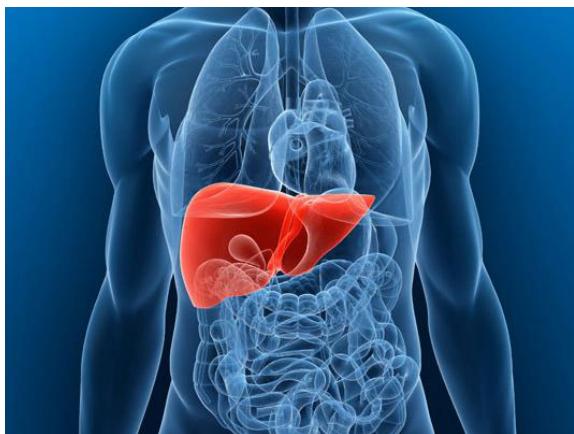
Cyclo-diBA: Mutanten können für Toxizität verantwortlich sein



Bindung von Cyclo-diBA an CYP450 3A4: Erklärt Mutanten M5 und M6

Compound	Isomers	ToxPot	Target
Parent compound			
Cyclo-diBA	2	cis = 0.477 trans = 0.377	GR PR
Cyclic metabolites			
M1	1	0.380 PR	
M4	4	0.339–0.621	ER β
M5	4	0.371–0.625	GR
M6	4	0.267–0.295	GR
M7	1	0.369 3A4	
Acyclic metabolites			
M2	4	0.359–0.587	PR
M3	4	0.420–0.641	GR
Reference compound			
Bisphenol A	1	0.474 ER β ¹	

¹ Calculated binding affinity = 67 nM (exp. = 93 nM)



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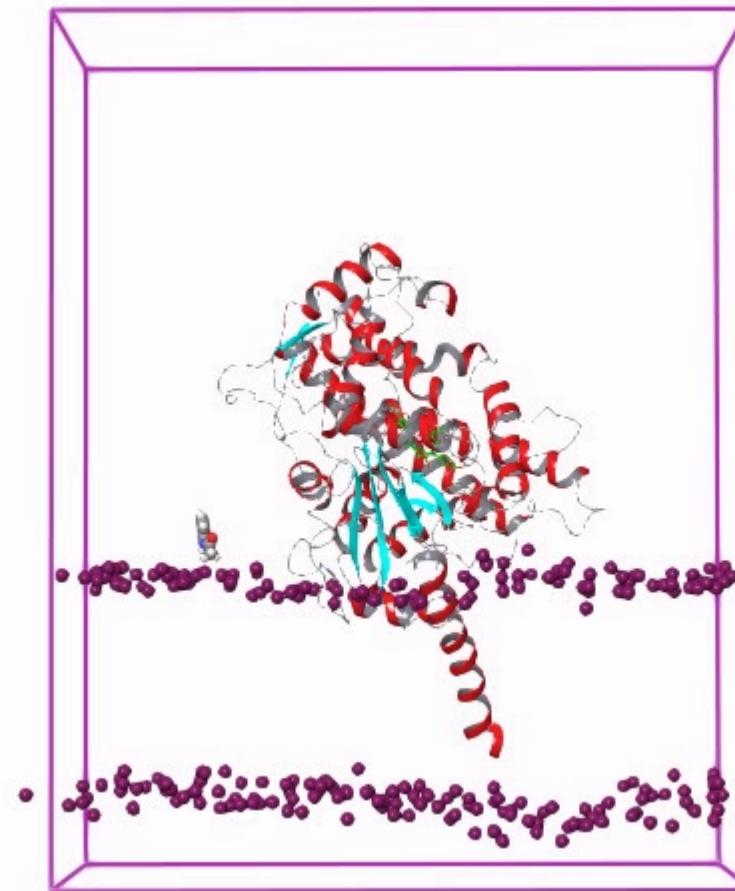
deciphering cytochrome issues in drug design

- molecular docking & scoring (VTL analogue)
- (post processing) microsecond scale MD simulations (GPU accelerated)
- structural and functional effects in (single nucleotide) polymorphisms / variants
- substrate entrance / exit channels and their function
- residence time, mode of action
- substrate (incl. site of metabolism) / inhibitor prediction



Microsecond-scale MD Simulations

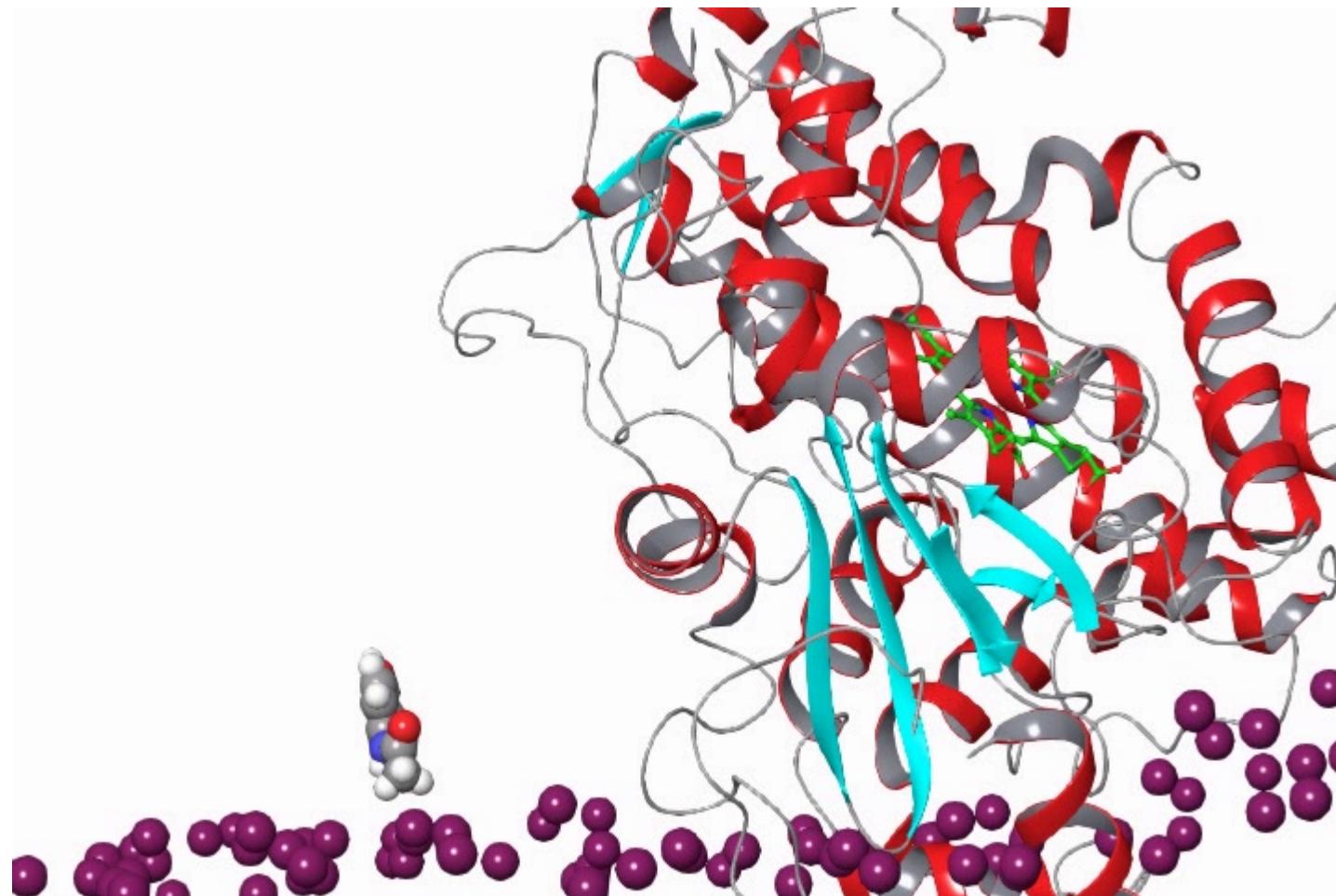
- periodic boundary system with a membrane ($80 \times 100 \times 130 \text{ \AA}$)
- cytochrome 2D6 anchored in the membrane
- small-molecule ligand(s) interacting with the protein, membrane, channels...
- software: Desmond, hardware: nVidia Titan X (80 ns / day)





Microsecond-scale MD Simulations

- close-up on **paracetamol** entering the active site of the enzyme (heme colored green)
- huge amount of data generated (structure, mechanistic effects, function, theories...)





Was bring die Zukunft?

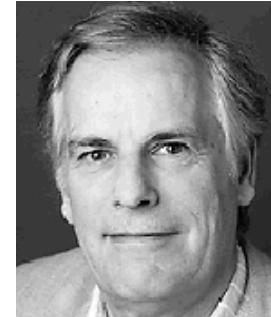
- bessere (akkurate) Kraftfelder, schnellere und schlaue Algorithmen
- noch mehr detaillierte und komplexe Simulationen (grössere Systeme)
- neue Targets (idealerweise: alle relevante Humane Makromoleküle und ihre Komplexe)
- längere Simulationszeiten bei der MDs → grössere Datenmengen
- Personalised Medicine – genetische Information wird in der Computersimulation berücksichtigt
- akkurate Simulationen → sichere Voraussagen → sichere Substanzen



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