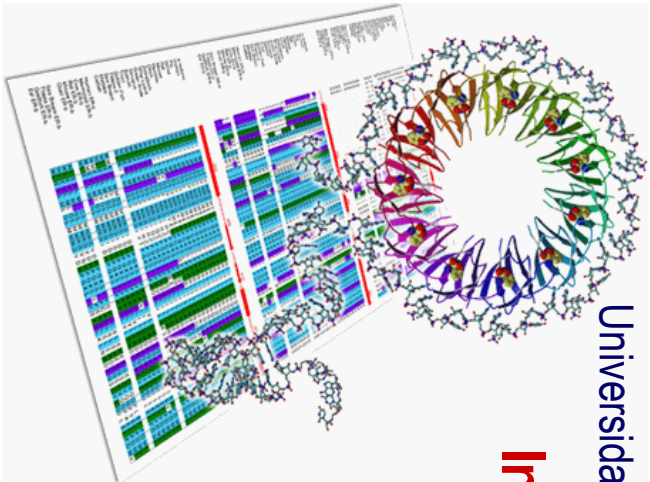


# BioInfo 2004

Curso de Doctorado: BIOINFORMÁTICA

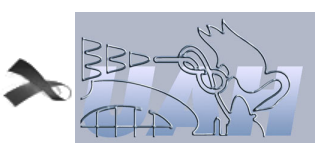
Universidad Autónoma de Madrid. Marzo-Abril 2004

## Interacciones entre proteínas y moléculas pequeñas (IV)



Federico Gago

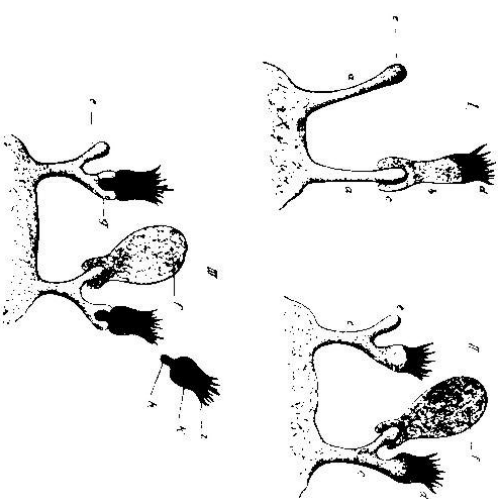
Departamento de Farmacología  
Universidad de Alcalá, Madrid



Paul Ehrlich

“Address in Pathology on Chemotherapeutics:  
Scientific Principles, Methods, and Results”  
Lancet II, 445 (1913)

*“Corpora non agunt nisi fixata”*



# FORCES THAT DETERMINE LIGAND-RECEPTOR INTERACTIONS

## Favourable forces

- ✓ electrostatic interactions
- ✓ hydrogen bonds
- ✓ hydrophobic effect
- ✓ van der Waals interactions
- ✓ desolvation of receptor and ligand

## Unfavourable forces

- ✓ loss of translational and rotational entropy
- ✓ loss of internal rotations in ligand (*entropic*)
- ✓ loss of solvation energy of receptor and ligand (*enthalpic*)
- ✓ conformational changes in receptor

P. G. Strange *TIPS* 17, 238 (1996)

## 1st QSAR study:

ON THE  
CONNECTION

BETWEEN

CHEMICAL CONSTITUTION

AND

PHYSIOLOGICAL ACTION.

PART I.

ON THE PHYSIOLOGICAL ACTION OF THE SALTS OF THE AMMONIUM BASES DERIVED  
FROM STRYCHNIA, BRICCA, TERPINA, CODEINA, MORFINA, AND NICOTINA.

BY

DR. A. GRIM BROWN AND DR. THOMAS H. FRASER.

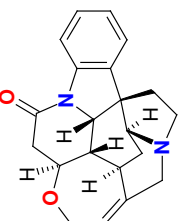
(The Paper for which the Madhoggil Prizes were awarded; Madras period 1906-07.)

FROM THE

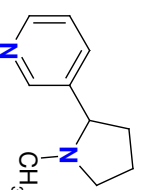
TRANSACTIONS OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF EDINBURGH, VOL. XXV.

1897

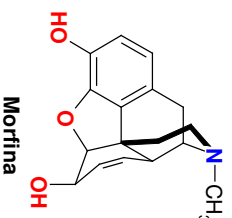
EDINBURGH:  
PRINTED FOR THE SOCIETY BY NEILL AND COMPANY,  
MIDCALMILL.



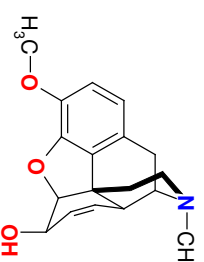
Estrichina



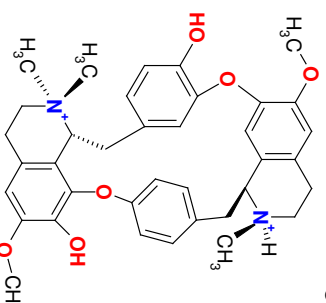
Nicotina



Morfina



Codeina



d-tubocurarina

Almost 100 years later:

“ $\rho$ - $\sigma$ - $\pi$  Analysis, A Method for the Correlation of Biological Activity and Chemical Structure”

C. Hansch & T. Fujita

*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **86**, 1616 (1964)

“A Mathematical Contribution to Structure-Activity Studies”

S. M. Free, Jr. & J. W. Wilson

*J. Med. Chem.* **7**, 395 (1964)

Physiological activity  $\Phi = f(C)$

(Brown & Fraser, 1868)

$$\Delta\Phi = f(\Delta C)$$

Biological activity =  $f(a_j X_j, m)$

Linear Free Energy Relationships

$$\text{B.a.} = \mu + \sum a_{ij} X_{ij}$$

de novo model ( $X_{ij} = 1, 0$ )

$\mu$  = overall mean of b.a. values

(Free & Wilson, 1964)

$\mu$  = b.a. of unsubstituted parent molecule

(Fujita & Ban, 1971)

Biological activity =  $\log(1/C) = k_1(X_H) + k_2(X_E) + k_3(X_S) + \epsilon$  parametric model  
(Hansch & Fujita, 1964)

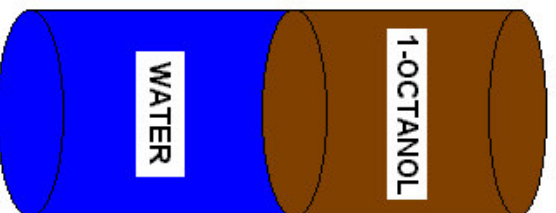
## MOLECULAR PARAMETERS USED IN QSAR:

**electronic:**  $\sigma$  constants ( $\Delta pK_a$  values), NMR chemical shifts, atomic charges, MO indices, frontier orbital energies, superdelocalizability indices, electrostatic potential...

**hydrophobic:**  $\pi$  values ( $\Delta \log P$  values), HPLC  $\log k'$ ...

**molecular shape/geometry:** Taft's parameters, Kier's molecular connectivity indices, Verloop's sterimol parameters...

## Hydrophobicity

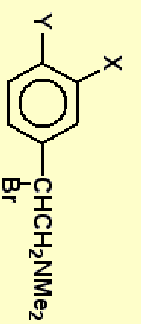


“shake flask” experiment

- Measured as **Water / Octanol Partition Coefficient (P)**.

$$\bullet \log P_A = \log \left[ \frac{[A]_{1\text{-octanol}}}{[A]_{\text{water}}} \right]$$

- **$\log P > 0$  : lipid phase**
- **$\log P < 0$  : water phase**



$$\begin{aligned} \log (1 / E D_{50}) = & -0.301[m-F] + 0.27[m-Cl] + 0.434[m-Br] + 0.579[m-I] \\ & + 0.454[m-Me] + 0.340[p-F] + 0.768[p-Cl] + 1.020[p-Br] \\ & + 1.429[p-I] + 1.256[p-Me] + 7.821 \\ n = 22, r^2 = 0.94, s = 0.194, F = 17.0 \end{aligned}$$

A **negative** coefficient indicates that the presence of that group is **unfavourable** to activity.

A **positive** coefficient indicates that the presence of that group is **favourable** to activity.

"A QSAR Investigation of Dihydrofolate Reductase Inhibition by Baker Triazines Based Upon Molecular Shape Analysis"

A. J. Hopfinger  
*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 120, 7196 (1980)

"Molecular Graphics and QSAR in the Study of Enzyme-Ligand Interactions. On the Definition of Bioreceptors"

C. Hansch & T. E. Klein  
*Acc. Chem. Res.* 19, 392 (1986)

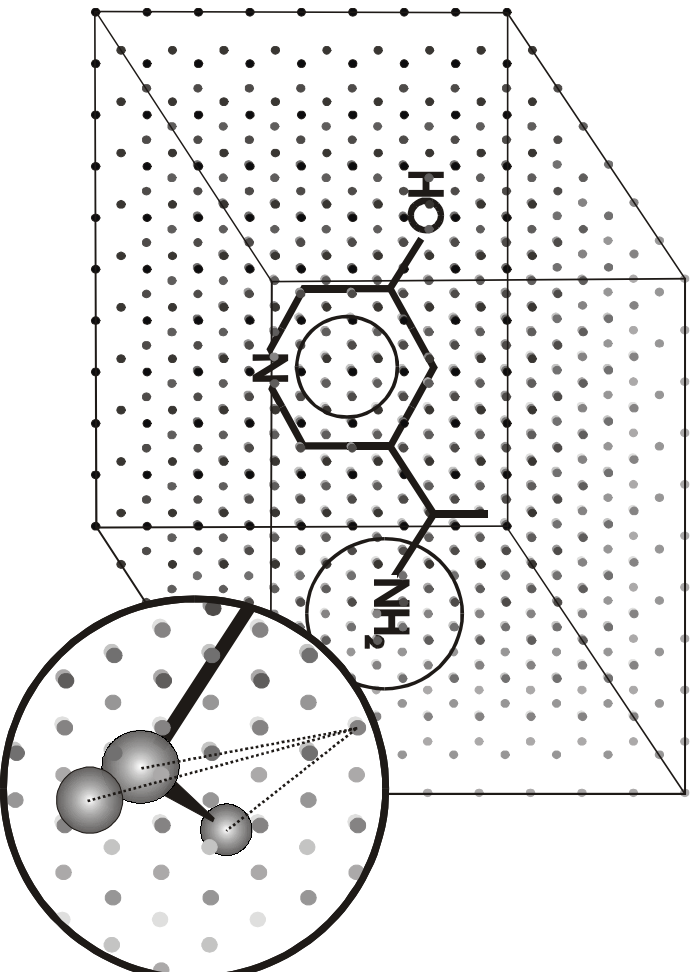
"Comparative Molecular Field Analysis (CoMFA). 1. Effect of Shape on Binding of Steroids to Carrier Proteins"

R. D. Cramer, III, D. E. Patterson & J. D. Bunce  
*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 110, 5959 (1988)

"Prediction of Drug Binding Affinities by Comparative Binding Energy Analysis"

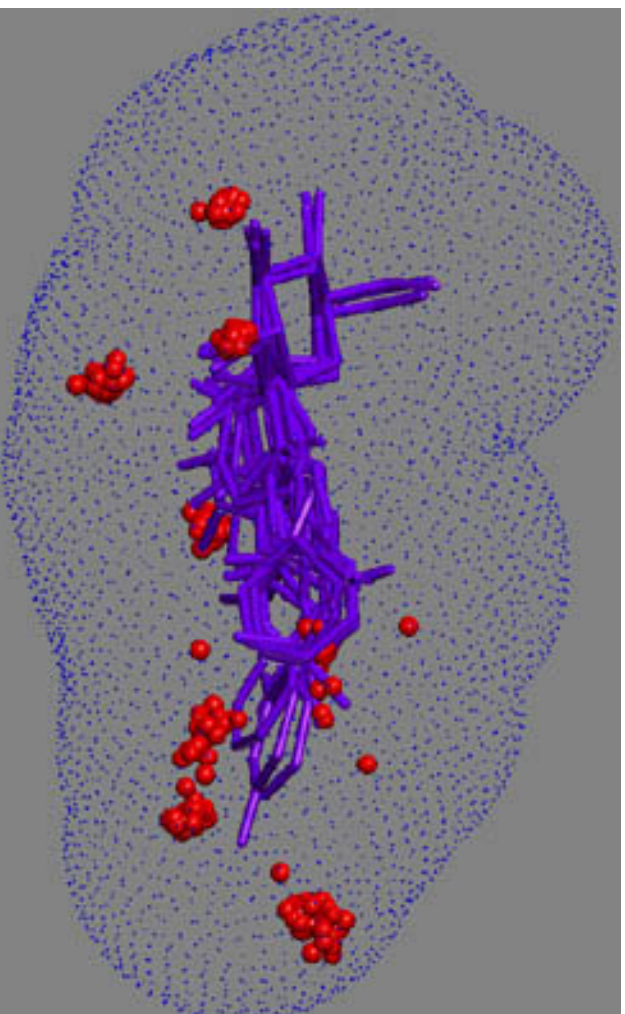
A. R. Ortiz, M. T. Pisabarro, F. Gago & R. Wade  
*J. Med. Chem.* 38, 2681 (1995)

## Introducing the 3<sup>rd</sup> dimension: 3D QSAR (CoMFA)



### THE ESSENCE OF 3D-QSAR IS:

- \* select a group of molecules, each possessing a measured biological response
- \* align molecules according to some predetermined orientation rules
- \* calculate a set of spatially dependent parameters for each molecule determined in the receptor space surrounding the aligned series
- \* derive a function that relates each molecule's spatial parameters to their respective biological property
- \* establish self-consistency and predictive ability of the derived function



Manuel Pastor, Gabriele Cruciani, Kimberly Watson

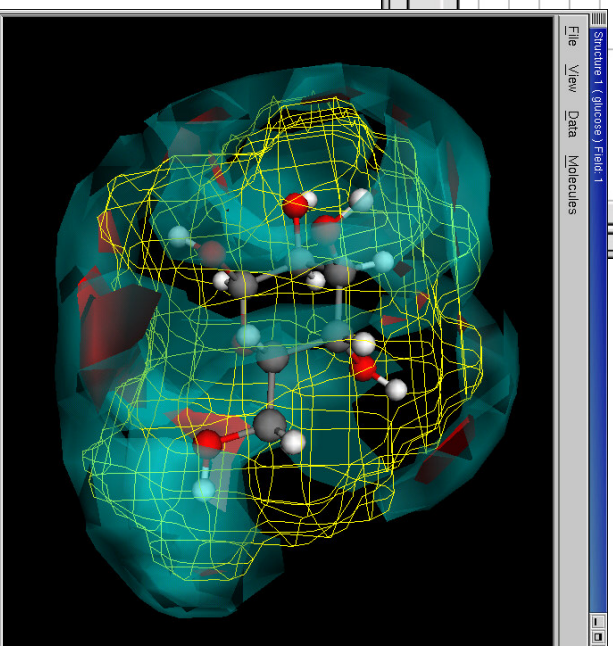
“A strategy for the incorporation of water molecules present in a ligand binding site into a 3D QSAR analysis”

*J.Med.Chem.* 40, 4089-4102 (1997)

Probe selection...

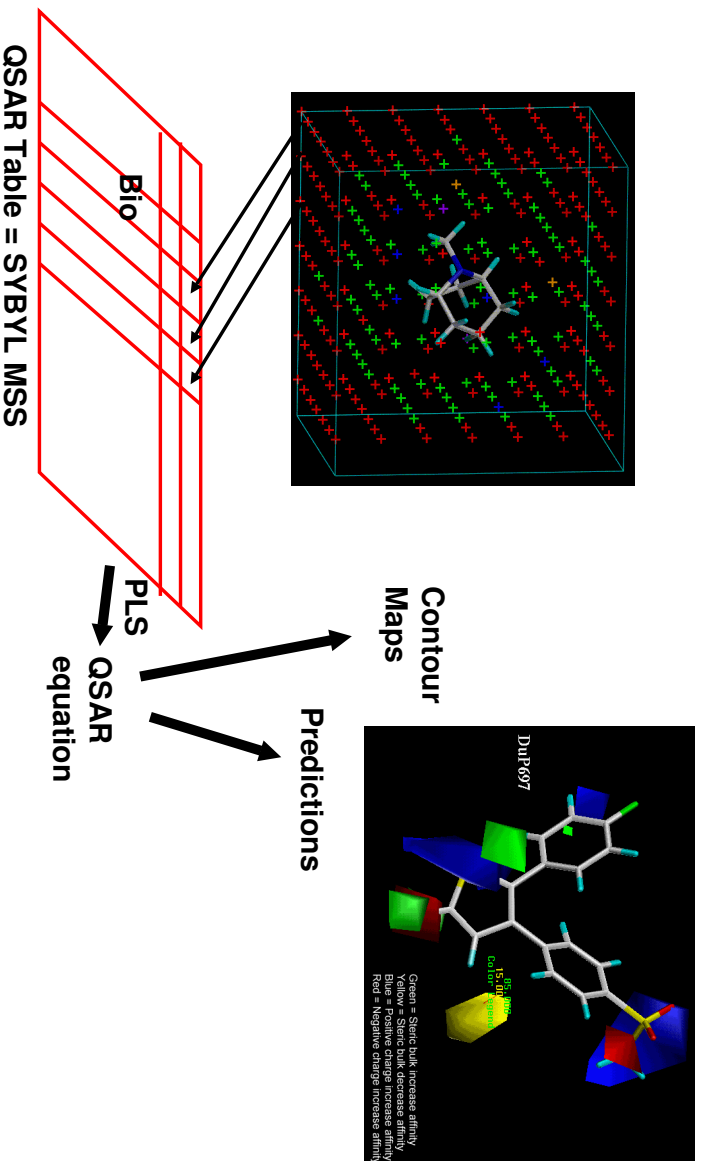
	single atom	multi atom	special	selected
1	OH2	Water		
2	DRY	The Hydrophobic Probe		
3	H	Hydrogen		
4	C3	Methyl CH3 group		
5	C1=	sp2 CH aromatic or vinyl		
6	N#	sp N with lone pair		
7	N=	sp2 N with lone pair		
8	N:	sp3 N with lone pair		
9	N-:	Anionic tetrazole N		
10	N1	Neutral flat NH eg amide		
11	N1+	sp3 amine NH <sub>3</sub> cation		

OK Cancel

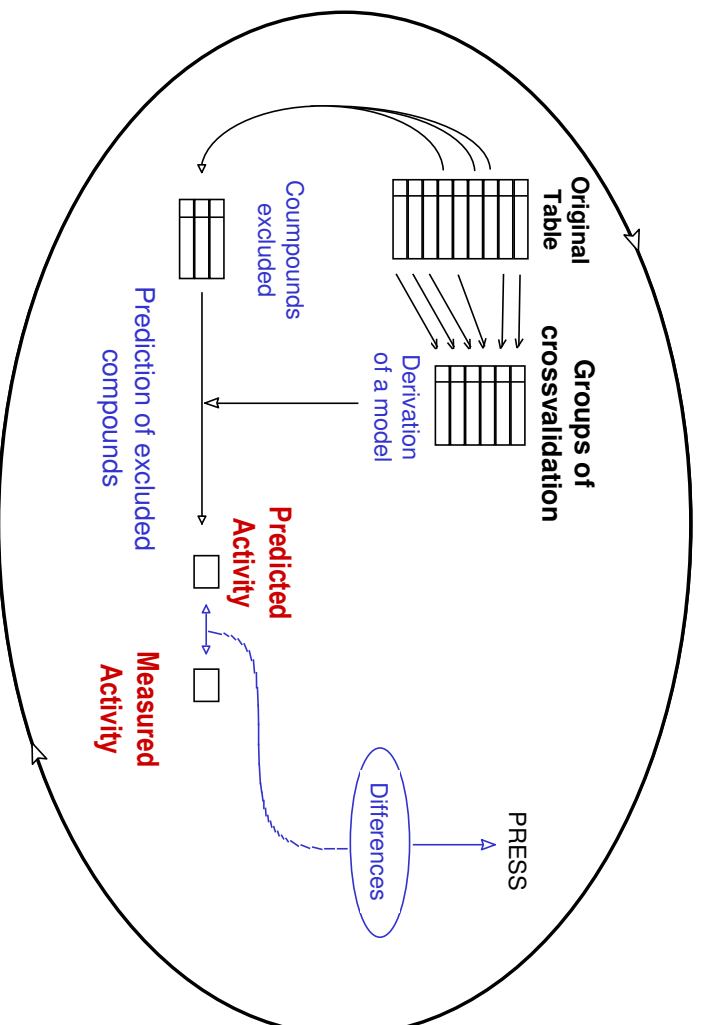


<http://www.moldiscovery.com/>

# CoMFA is a (3D-Q)SAR method



# Cross-validated PLS analyses





## TRADITIONAL QSAR

### Disadvantages:

- Congeneric series
- Missing physicochemical parameter values
- Lack of 3D structural information
- Results expressed only as a numerical equation
- Collinearity of parameters must be avoided
- Inadequate description of steric effects
- Inadequate description of hydrogen bonding

## 3D-QSAR

### Advantages:

- Mixed series
- No parameters must be estimated
- 3D structural information included
- Results can be graphically displayed in 3D
- Energy fields can be collinear
- Good description of steric effects
- Good description of hydrogen bonding

K. H. Kim, in *'3D QSAR in Drug Design, Theory, Methods and Applications'* (1993)

## TRADITIONAL QSAR

### Advantages:

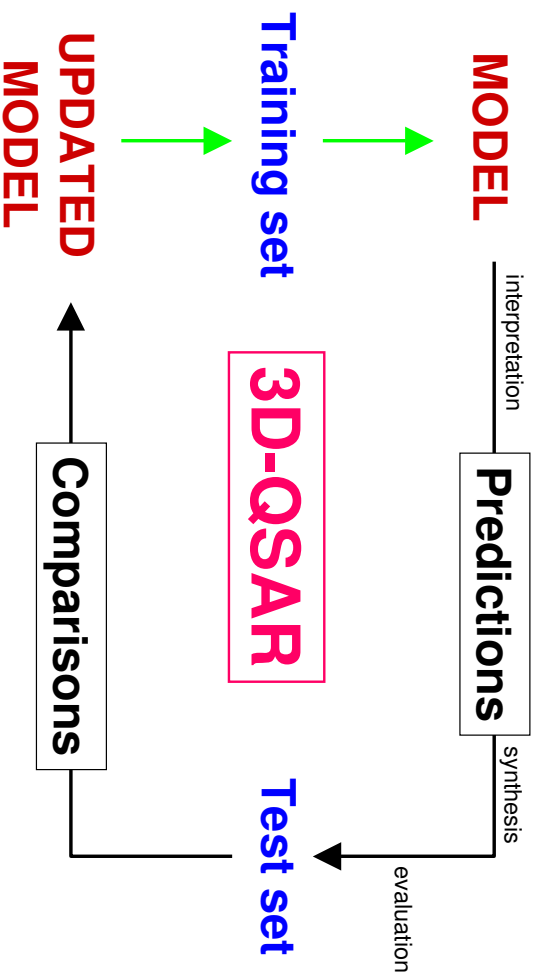
- Simplicity and speed
- No bioactive conformation required
- No alignment needed
- May extrapolate into unexplored region with care
- Results summarized in a simple equation
- Useful information is provided by the coefficients in the correlation equation
- No weighting of parameters is necessary
- Simple use of indicator variables

## 3D-QSAR

### Disadvantages:

- More complicated to run
- A bioactive conformation must be assumed
- Superposition rules and alignment problems
- Difficult to extrapolate into unexplored regions
- Results not usually summarized in an equation
- Less useful information from the coefficients obtained in the correlation equation
- Many adjustable parameters involved
- Use of indicator variables is not straightforward

K. H. Kim, in *'3D QSAR in Drug Design, Theory, Methods and Applications'* (1993)



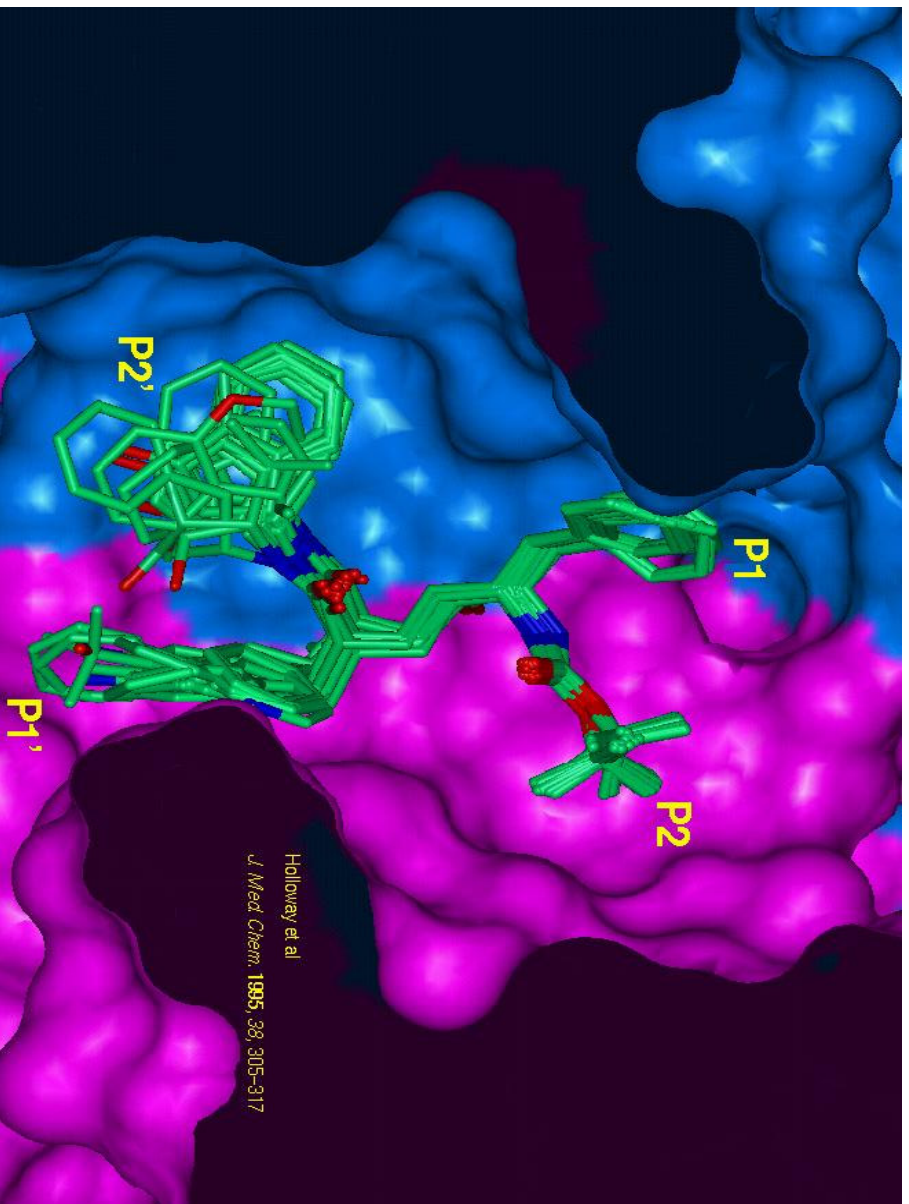
## Performance

Standard Deviation of Error in Predictions:

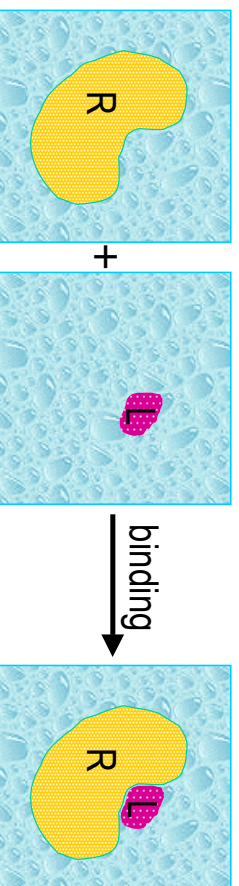
$$SDEP = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (Y_{\text{exp}}(i) - Y_{\text{pred}}(i))^2}{N}} = \sqrt{\frac{\text{PRESS}}{N}}$$

Correlation Coefficient in Cross-Validation:

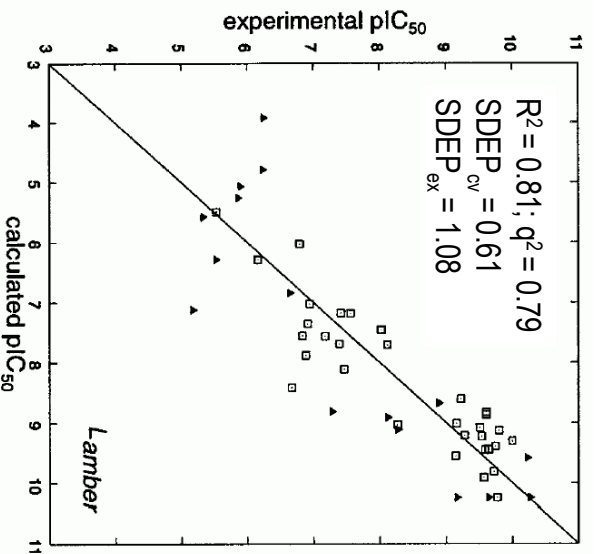
$$Q^2 = 1 - \frac{\sum (Y_{\text{exp}}(i) - Y_{\text{pred}}(i))^2}{\sum (Y_{\text{exp}}(i) - \langle Y_{\text{exp}} \rangle)^2}$$



## ENERGETICS OF COMPLEX FORMATION

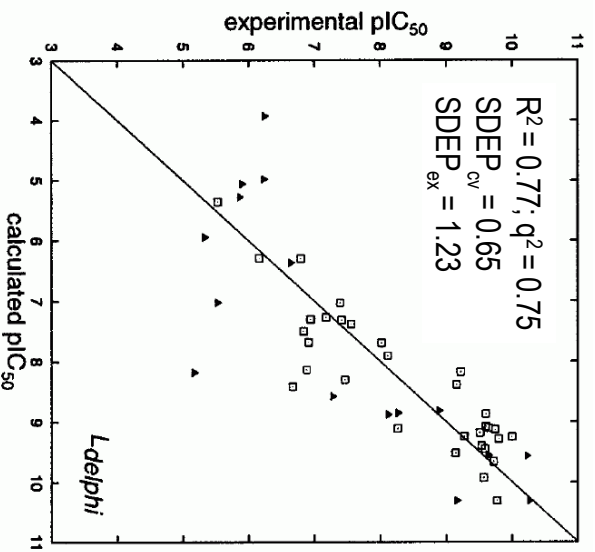


$$\Delta E_{\text{binding}} = E_{LR} - (E_R + E_L)$$



C. Pérez, M. Pastor, A. R. Ortiz & F. Gago

*J. Med. Chem.* **41**, 836 (1998)



Multiple regression analysis:  
 $Activity = a (E_{inter}) + b$

## Comparative Binding Energy (COMBINE)

**Análisis Comparativo de Energías de Unión**

## Comparative Molecular Field Analysis (CoMFA)

**Análisis Comparativo de Campos Moleculares**

**MODELLING PHASE**

unbound receptor (R)

n unbound ligands (L)

n (R:L) complexes

**REFINEMENT STAGE**

energy minimization

n refined (R:L) complexes

desolvation energy terms (?)

**ENERGY CALCULATION AND PARTITIONING / MATRIX PRETREATMENT**

$$\Delta U = E_{LR} - (E_L + E_R) \rightarrow \text{energy decomposition}$$

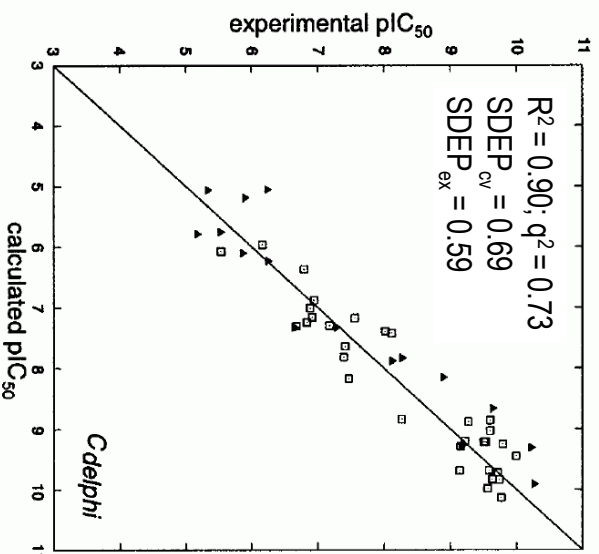
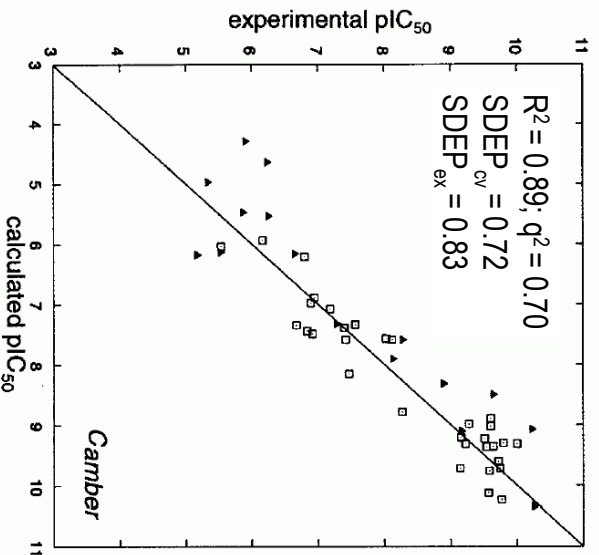
**MODEL DERIVATION**

$$\text{Activity} = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Delta u_i^{sel} + C$$

Principal Component Analysis (PCA)  
Partial Least Squares (PLS)

- MODEL VALIDATION:**
- cross-validation
  - permutation of activity data (scrambling)
  - random numbers

**PREDICTIONS:** error assessment

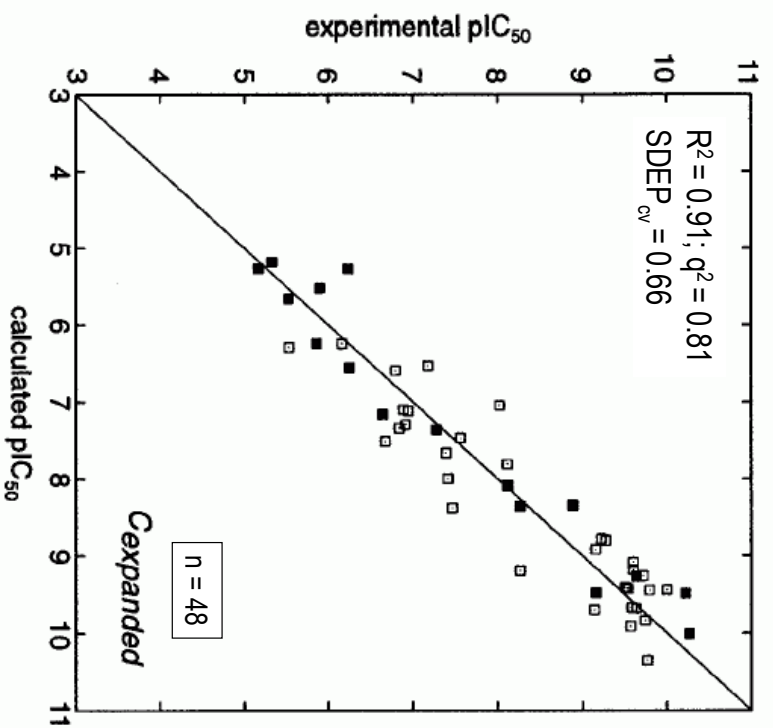


C. Pérez, M. Pastor, A. R. Ortiz & F. Gago  
*J. Med. Chem.* **41**, 836 (1998)

**COMBINE analysis:**

$$\sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Delta u_i^{sel} + C$$





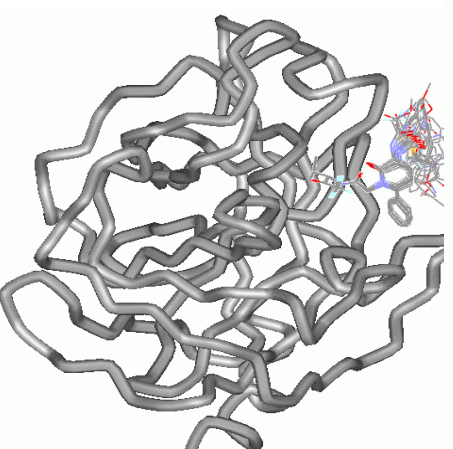
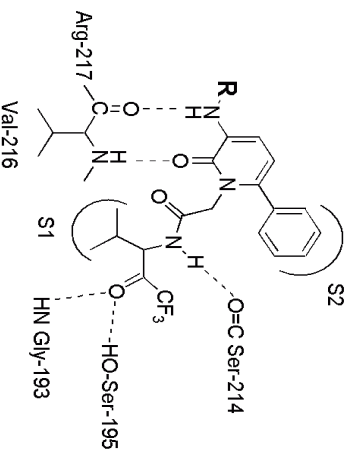
## Comparative Binding Energy (COMBINE) Analysis of Human Neutrophil Elastase Inhibition by Pyridone-containing Trifluoromethylketones

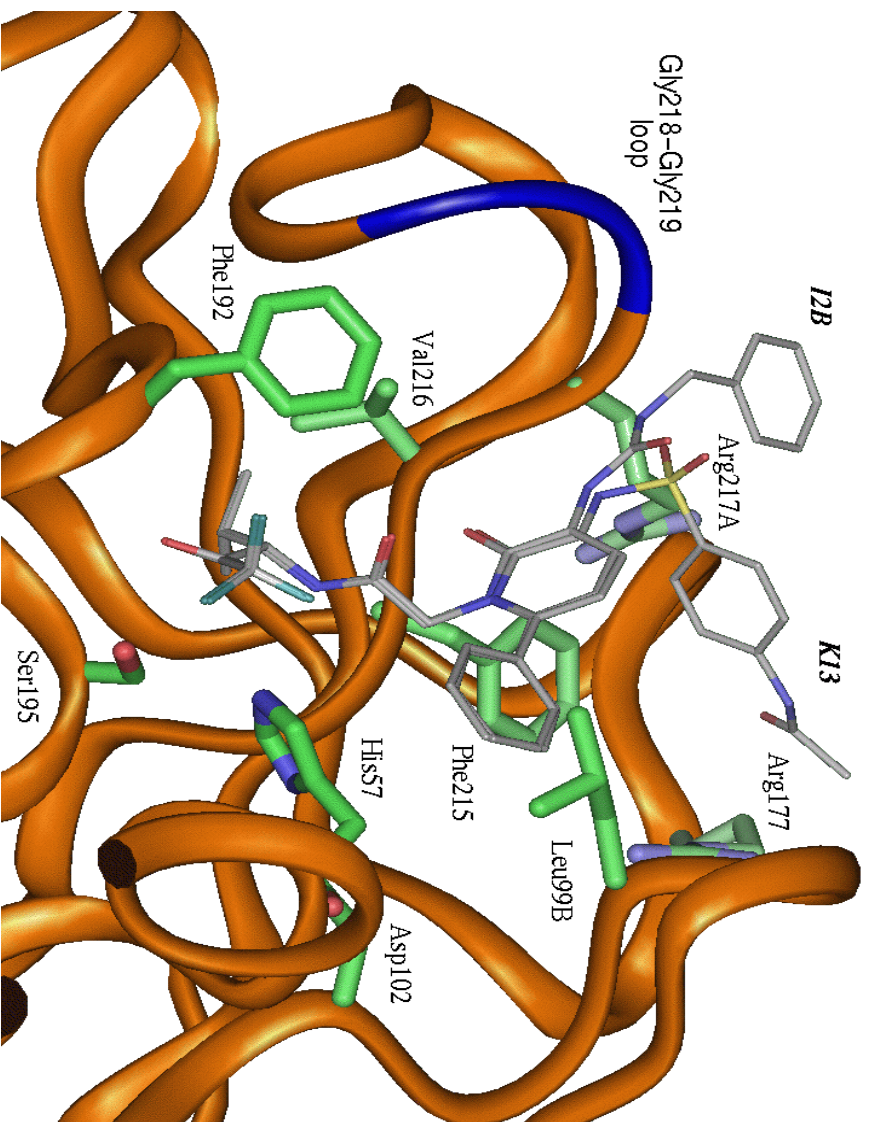
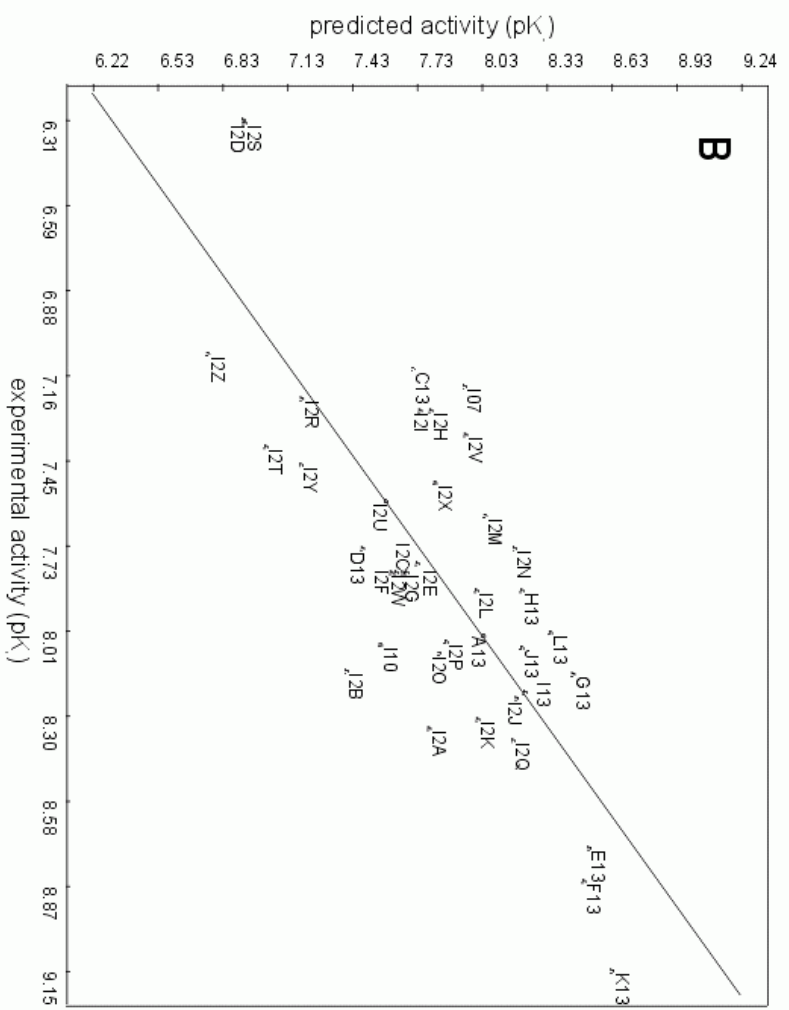
Carmen Cuevas,<sup>†</sup> Manuel Pastor,<sup>#</sup> Carlos Pérez<sup>‡</sup> and Federico Gago<sup>\*</sup>

*Departamento de Farmacología, Universidad de Alcalá, E-28871 Alcalá de Henares, Madrid, Spain*

<sup>†</sup> *Present address: Pharma Mar S.A., Cantoblanco, 28760 Tres Cantos, Madrid, Spain*

<sup>#</sup> *Present address: Departament de Ciències Experimentals i de la Salut, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Dr. Aiguader 80, E-08003 Barcelona, Spain*



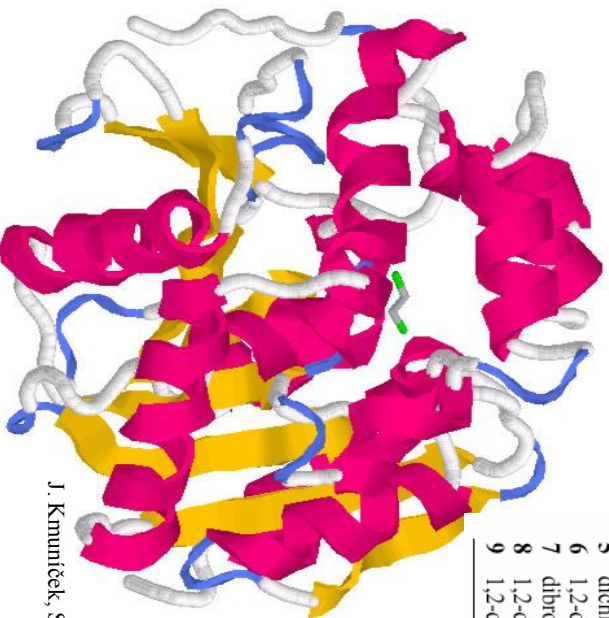




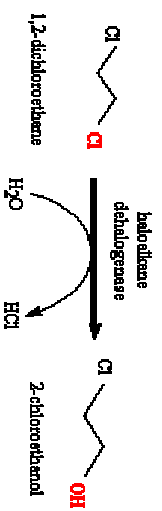
## Haloalkane dehalogenase from *Xanthobacter autotrophicus* GJ10

Table 1: Steady-State Dissociation Constants of Haloalkane Dehalogenase<sup>a</sup>

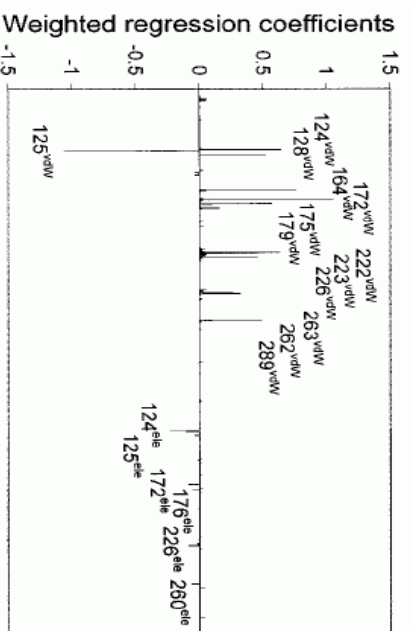
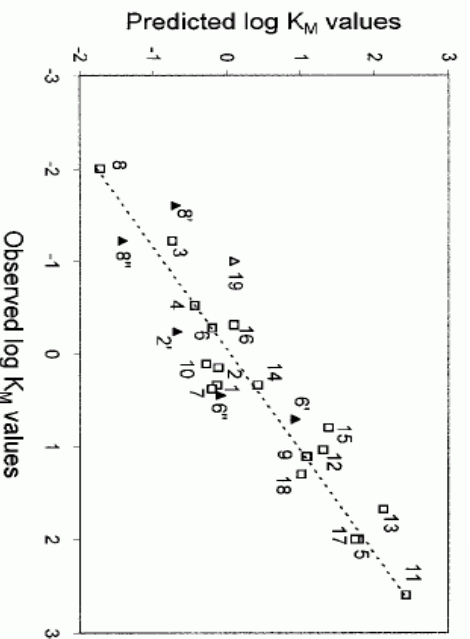
compound	log $K_m$ (mM)	compound	log $K_m$ (mM)
1 1-chlorobutane	0.34	10 1,2-dibromopropane	0.11
2 1-chlorohexane	0.15	11 2-chloroethanol	2.60
3 1-bromobutane	-1.22	12 2-bromoethanol	1.04
4 1-bromohexane	-0.52	13 epichlorohydrine	1.68
5 dichloroethane	2.00	14 epibromohydrine	0.34
6 1,2-dichloroethane	-0.28	15 2-chloroacetonitrile	0.80
7 dibromomethane	0.38	16 2-bromoacetonitrile	-0.31
8 1,2-dibromoethane	-2.00	17 2-chloroacetamide	2.00
9 1,2-dichloropropane	1.11	18 2-bromoacetamide	1.30



J. Kmumíček, S. Luengo, F. Gago, A.R. Ortiz, R.C. Wade & J. Damborský  
*Biochemistry*, **40**, 8905-8917 (2001)



Selected energy contributions in the best COMBINE model



Variable number

- training set
- ▲ prediction set
- Phe172Trp mutant enzyme
- ” Trp175Tyr mutant enzyme
- △ new substrate + Phe172Trp mutant enzyme

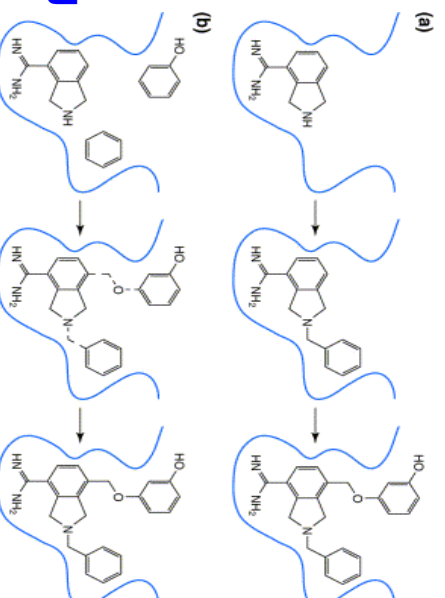
# STRUCTURE CONSTRUCTION

- Determine locations in space that are favourable for non-covalent interactions with the protein, e.g. *GRID*, *MCSS*.
- Connect these locations using spacer residues, e.g. *BUILDER*.
- Fill the active site with connected fragments drawn from a prechosen library, e.g. *LUDI*.
- Dock a drug molecule whose shape is complementary to that of the active site, e.g. *DOCK*.
- Dynamic creation and breakage of bonds, permutation of building blocks over time and empirical energy function on all the system for decision making, e.g. *CONCEPTS*.

*N.B. All tree search techniques imply chained choices.*

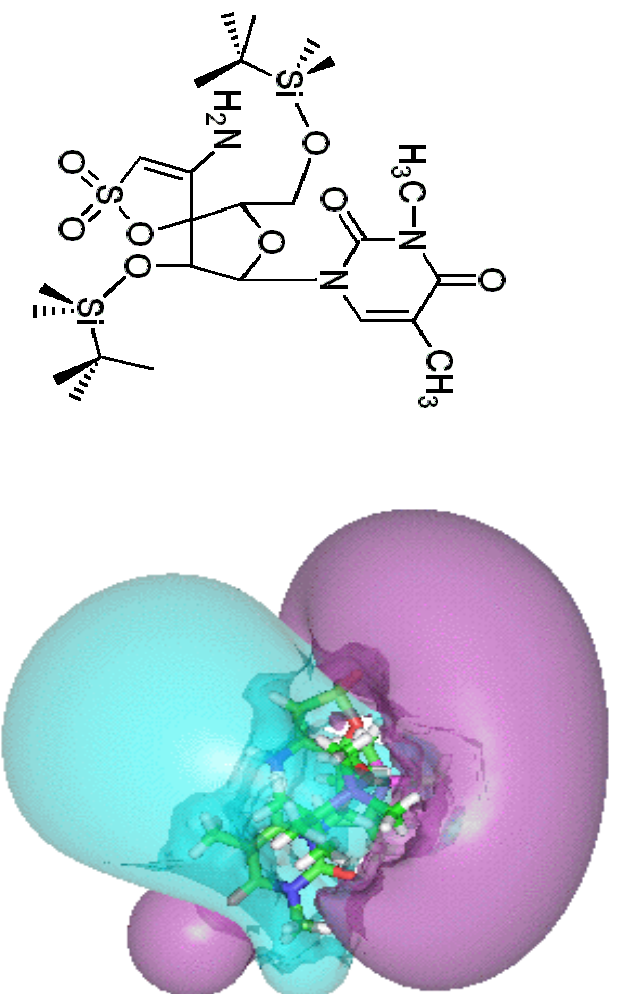
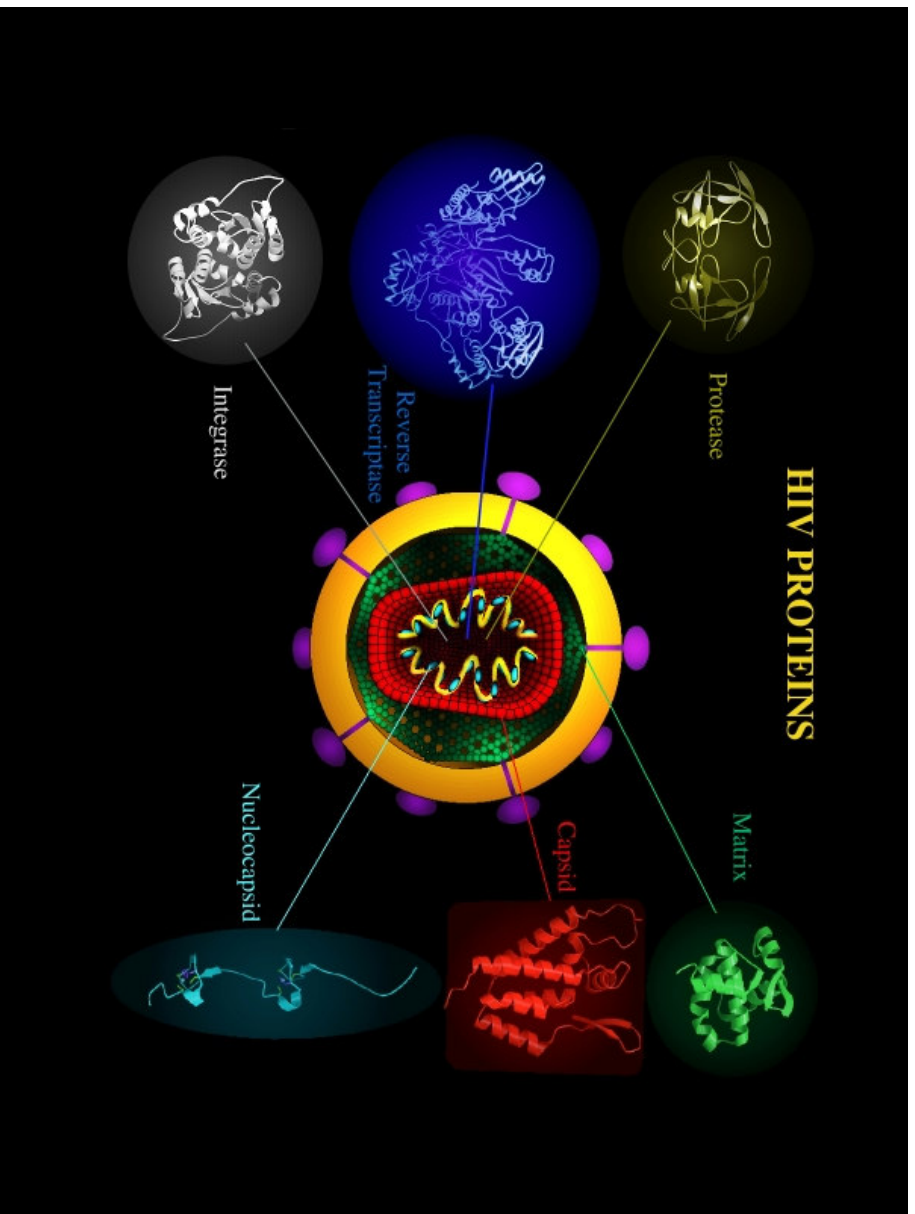
## Two strategies for structure-based molecule assembly from fragments

### Sequential growth technique



### Fragment-placing and linking

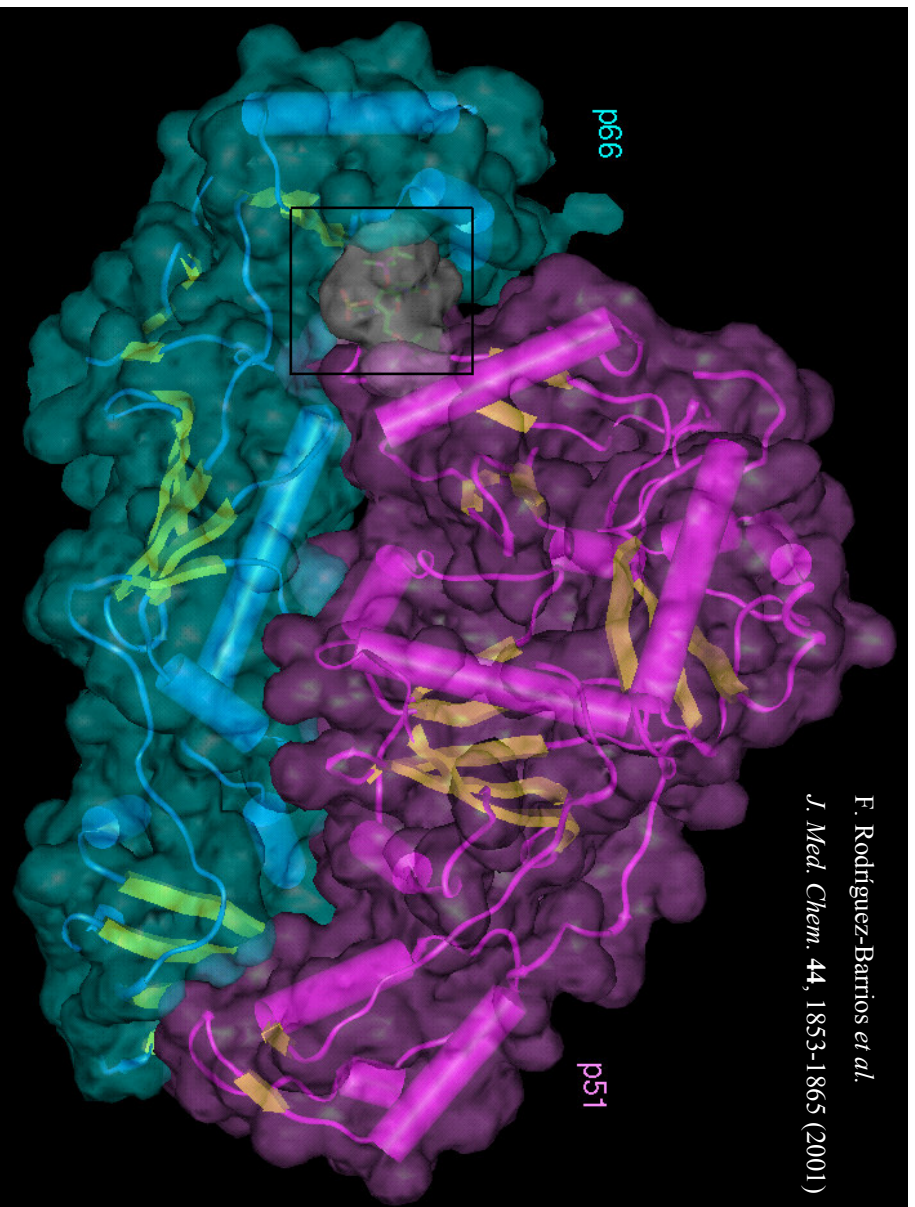
a ligand-binding pocket on the surface of a protein



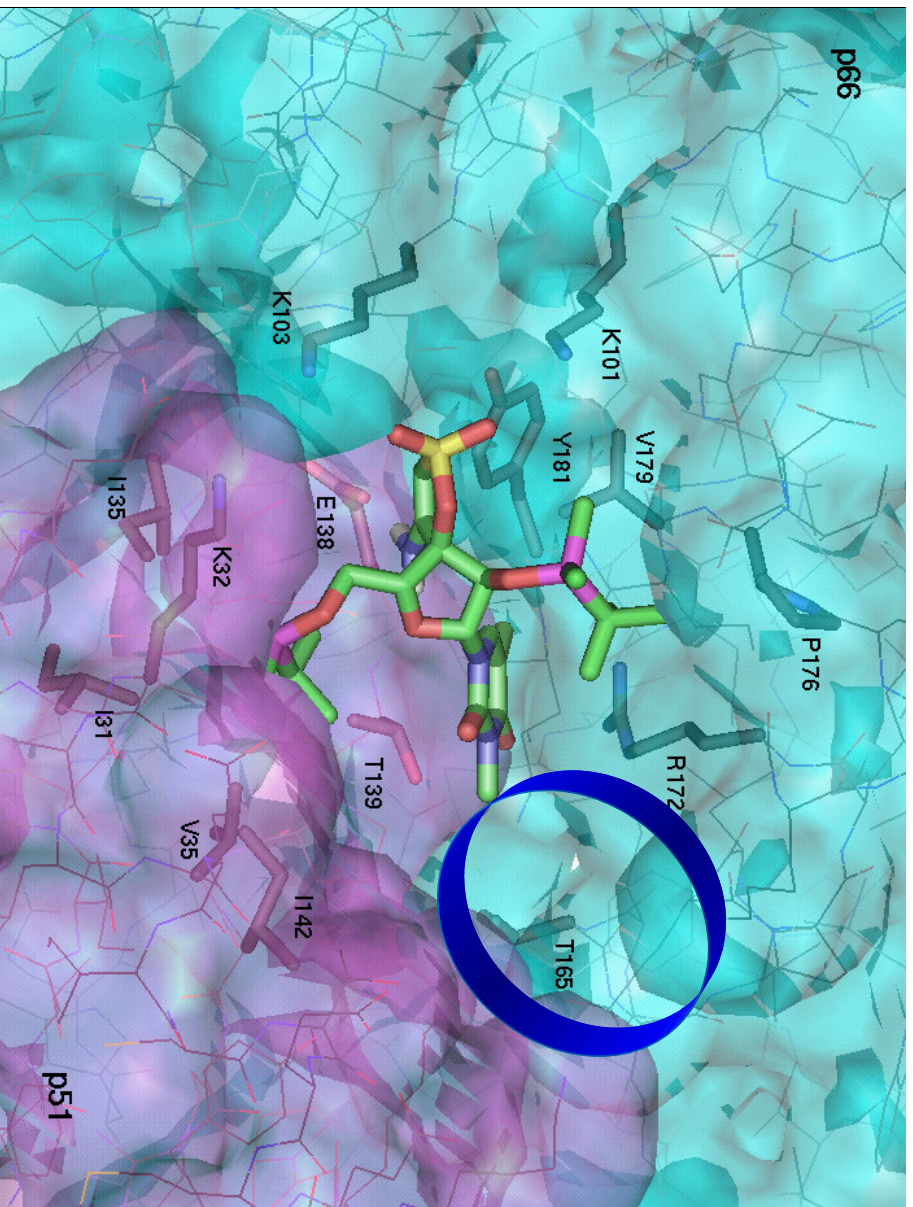
### TSAO-m<sup>3</sup>T

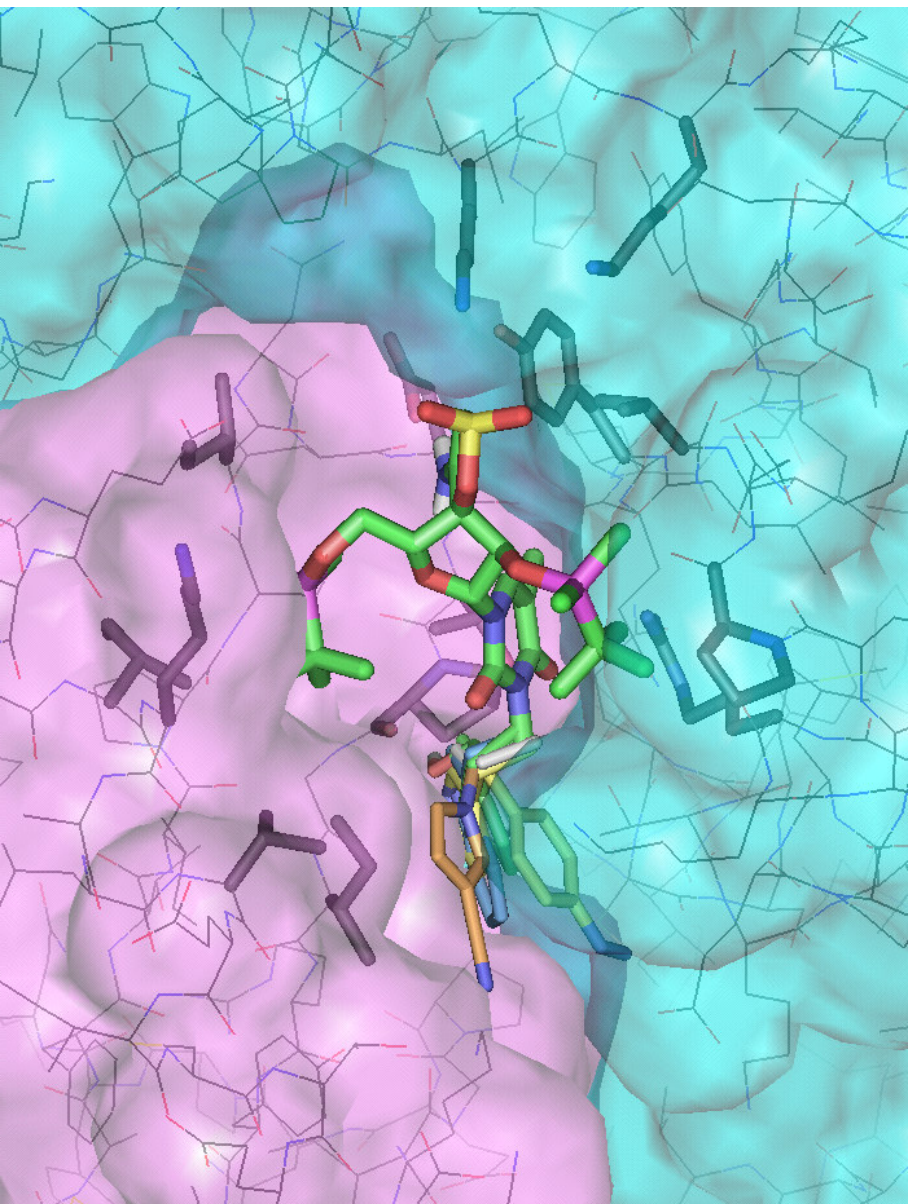
Camarasa *et al* (IQM, CSIC, Madrid)

Molecular electrostatic potential  
 Negative: -0.1 — -3.2 kcal mol<sup>-1</sup>  
 Positive: 0.1 — 10.3 kcal mol<sup>-1</sup>



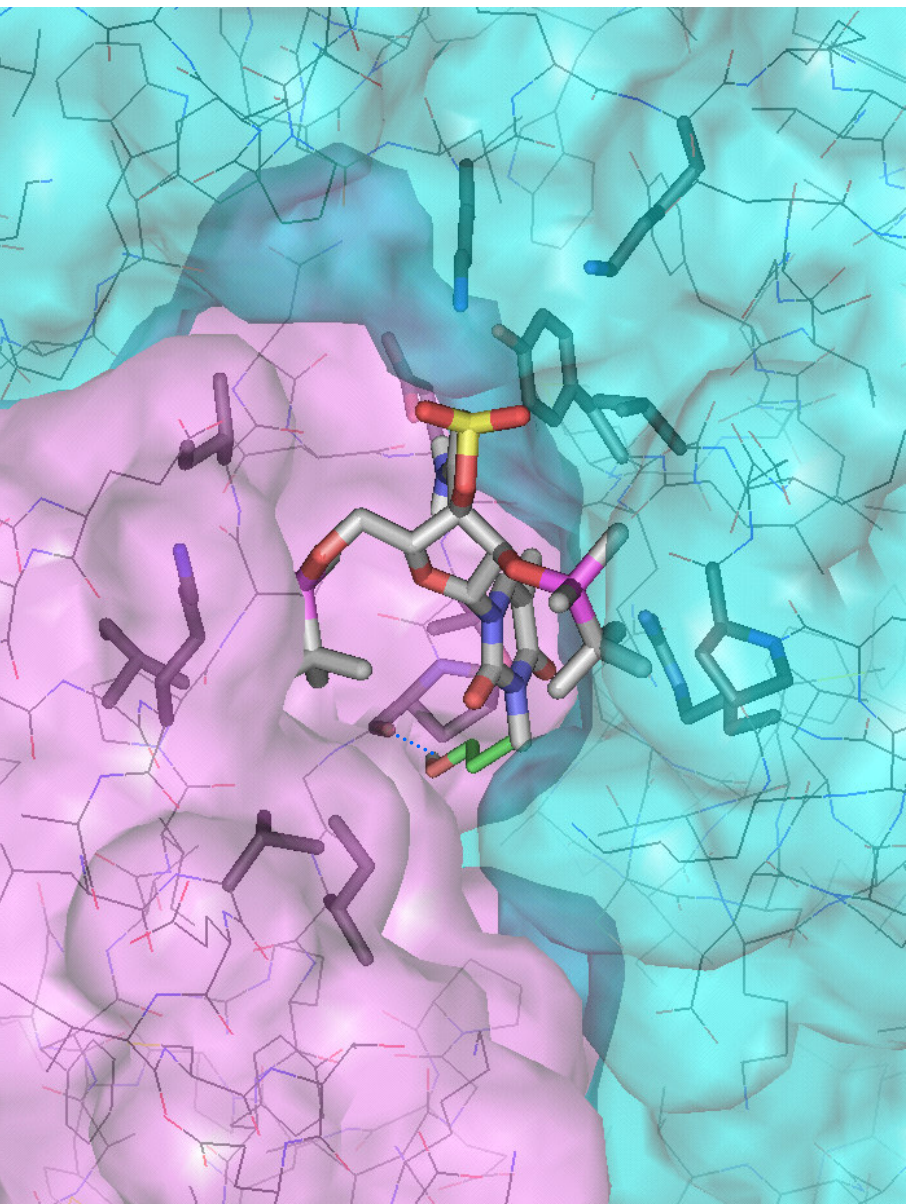
F. Rodriguez-Barríos *et al.*  
*J. Med. Chem.* 44, 1853-1865 (2001)





## Substituent Fragments Suggested by the LUDI Program for Attachment to the N3 Position of TSAO-T

id	Fragment	# hb <sup>a</sup>	Target <sup>b</sup>	id	Fragment	# hb <sup>a</sup>	Target <sup>b</sup>
I		1	CO Gly-B141	V		1	CO Pro-A140
II		1	NH <sub>5</sub> Lys-B39	VI		1	COO <sup>-</sup> Glu-A169
III		1	CO Pro-A140	VII		0	HO-B142
IV		0	HO-B142	VIII		1	CO Pro-B149

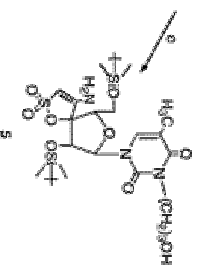
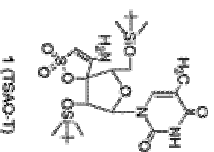


## Effect on Activity of Attaching a -CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>OH Substituent to the N3 Position of TSAO-T

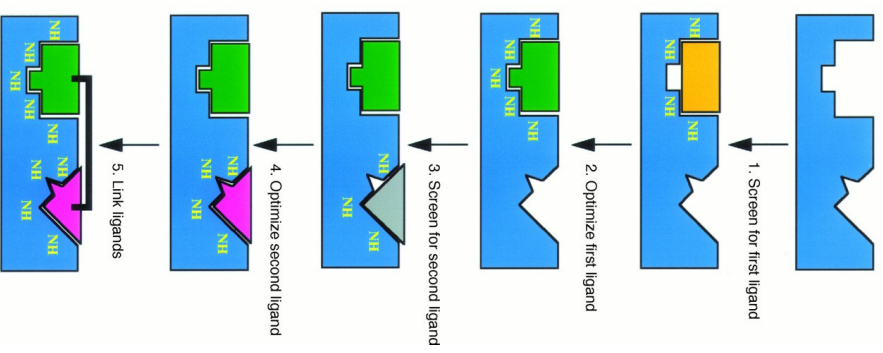
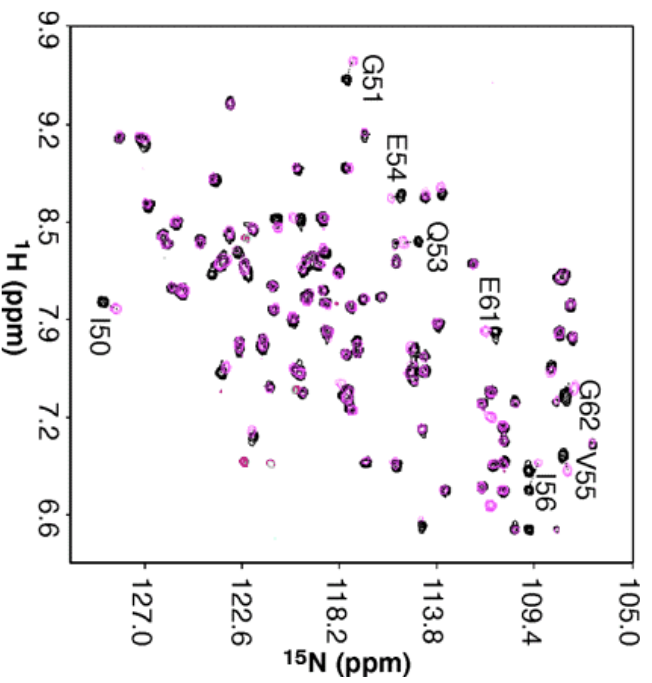
**Table 4.** Inhibitory Activity of TSAO Derivatives against HIV-1 and HIV-2 in CEM and MT-4 Cell Cultures

compd	MT-4		CEM	
	HIV-1	HIV-2	HIV-1	HIV-2
<b>2</b>	0.17 ± 0.05	>10	0.17 ± 0.05	>2
<b>3</b>	0.20 ± 0.03	>10	0.10 ± 0.0	>2
<b>4</b>	0.23 ± 0.06	>10	0.12 ± 0.0	>10
<b>5</b>	0.03 ± 0.003	>2	0.01 ± 0.006	>2
TSAO-T	0.06 ± 0.03	>20	0.06 ± 0.01	>20
TSAO-m <sup>3</sup> T	0.05 ± 0.01	>200	0.06 ± 0.09	>200

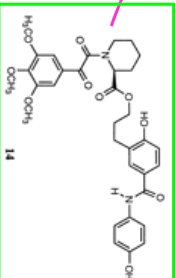
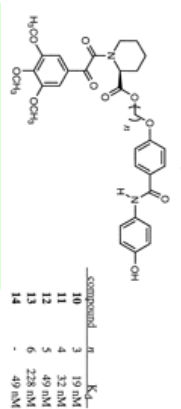
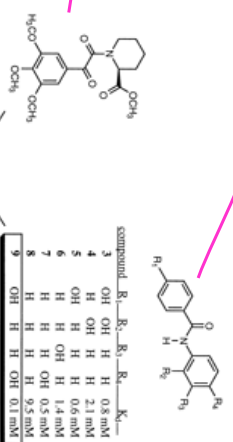
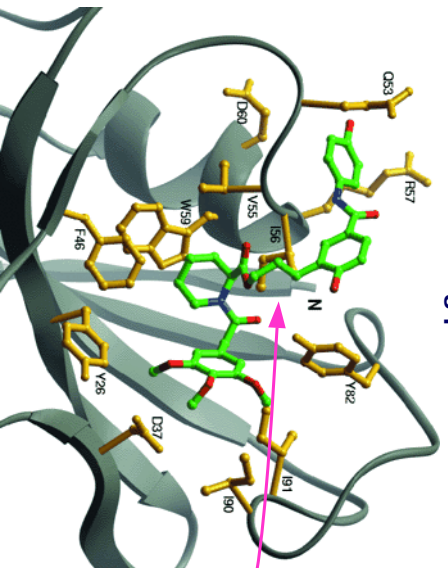
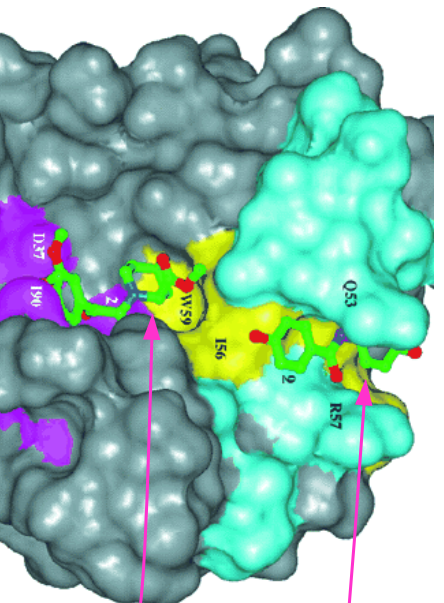
<sup>a</sup> The 50% effective concentration, or the concentration required to protect 50% of the virus-infected cells against destruction by the virus.



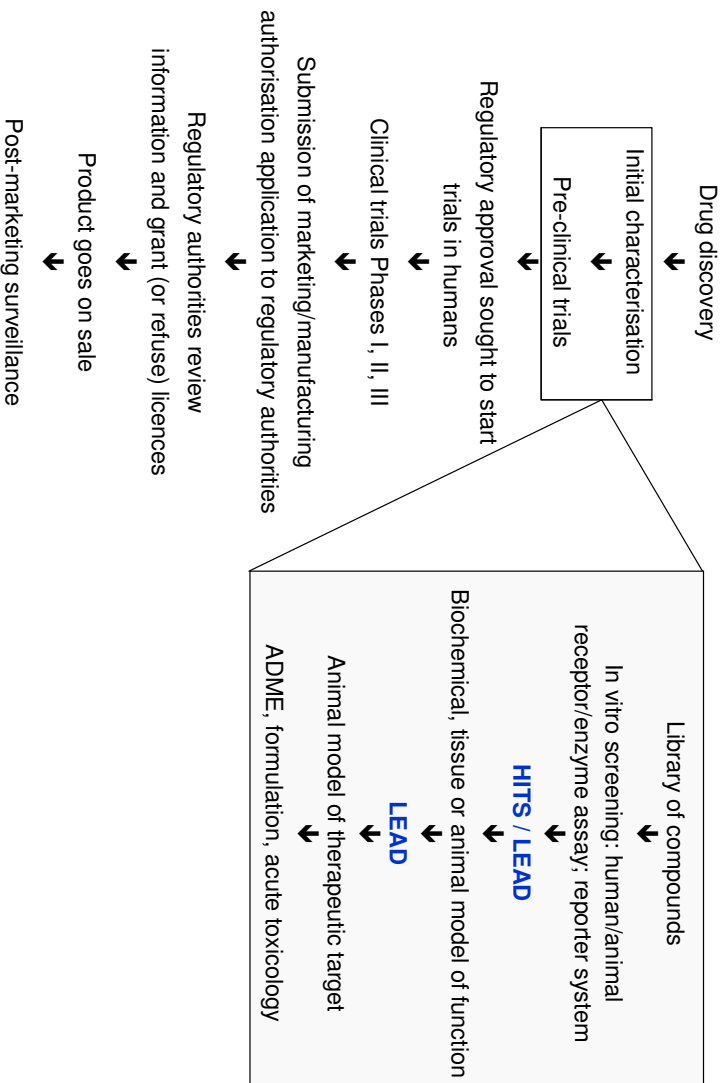
# “SAR by NMR”



## Discovering High-Affinity Ligands for Proteins: SAR by NMR

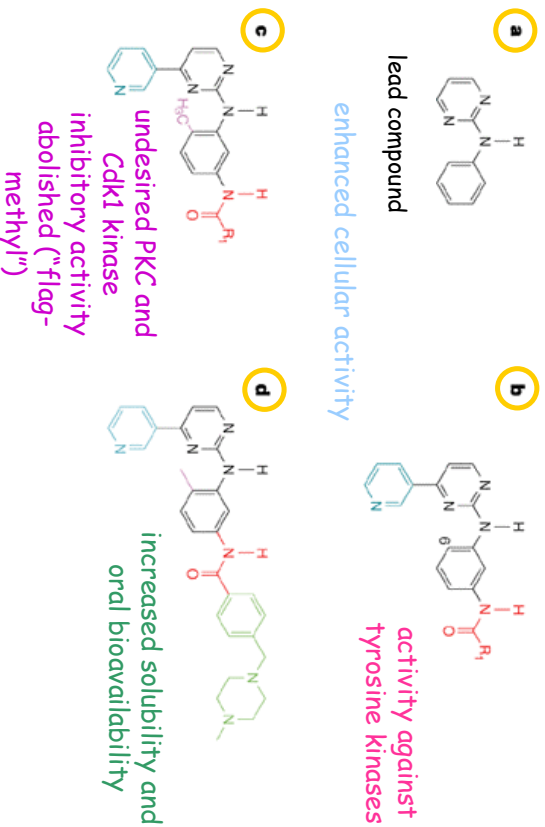


# The life history of a successful drug



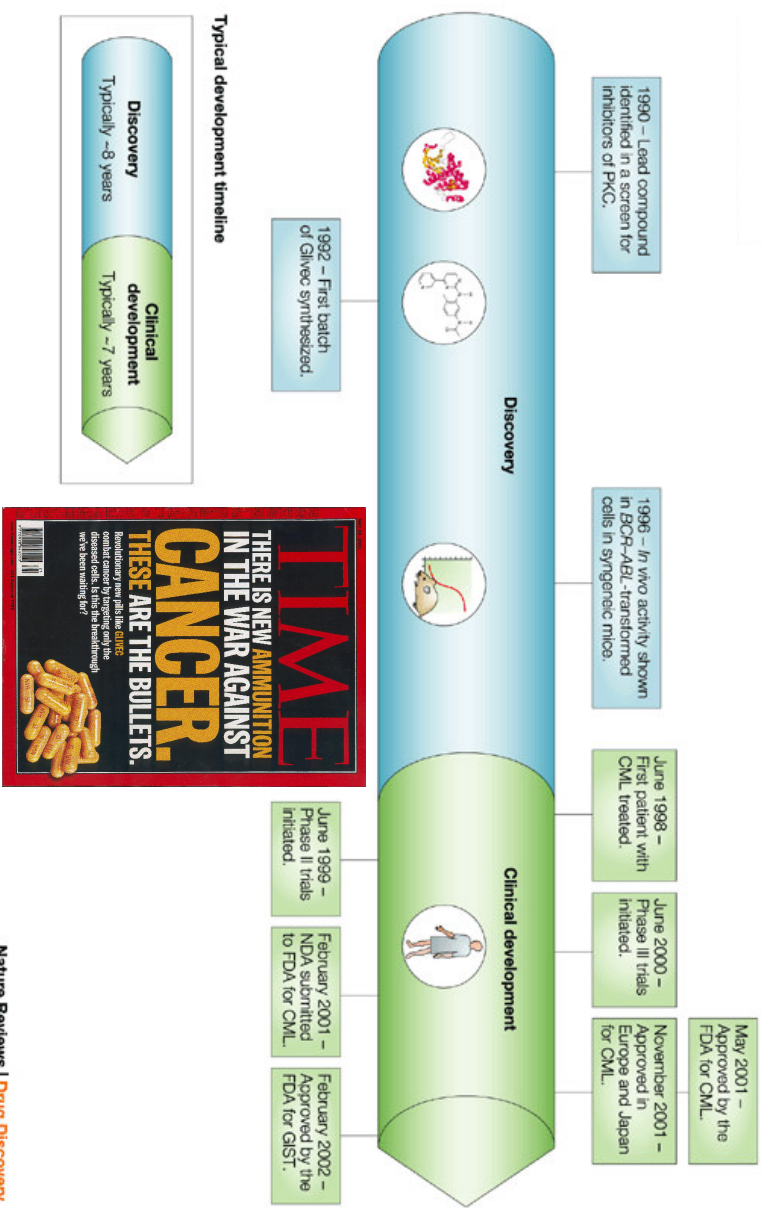
## Glivec (STI571/ Imatinib):

a rationally developed, targeted anticancer drug





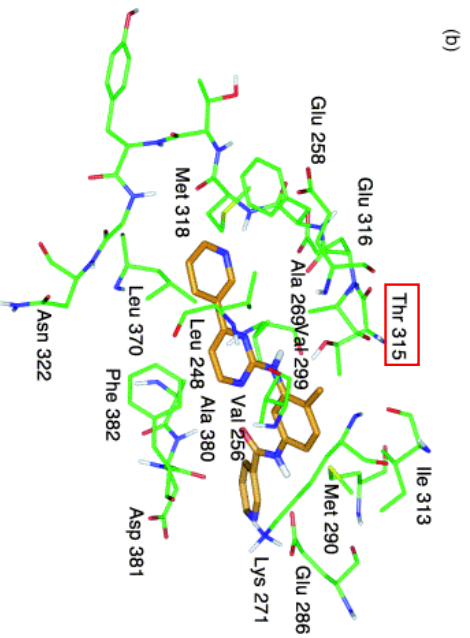
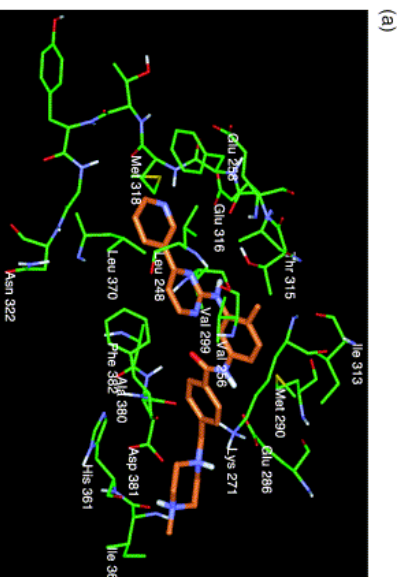
# Glivec development timeline



## Resistance to imatinib (STI571) therapy

- 1) Median levels of BCR-ABL transcripts were not significantly changed at the time of resistance but 7/55 patients showed a >10-fold increase in BCR-ABL levels;
- 2) genomic amplification of BCR-ABL was found in 2/32 patients evaluated by fluorescence *in situ* hybridization;
- 3) additional chromosomal aberrations were observed in 19/36 patients;
- 4) point mutations of the ABL tyrosine kinase domain resulting in reactivation of the BCR-ABL tyrosine kinase were detected in 23/66 patients.

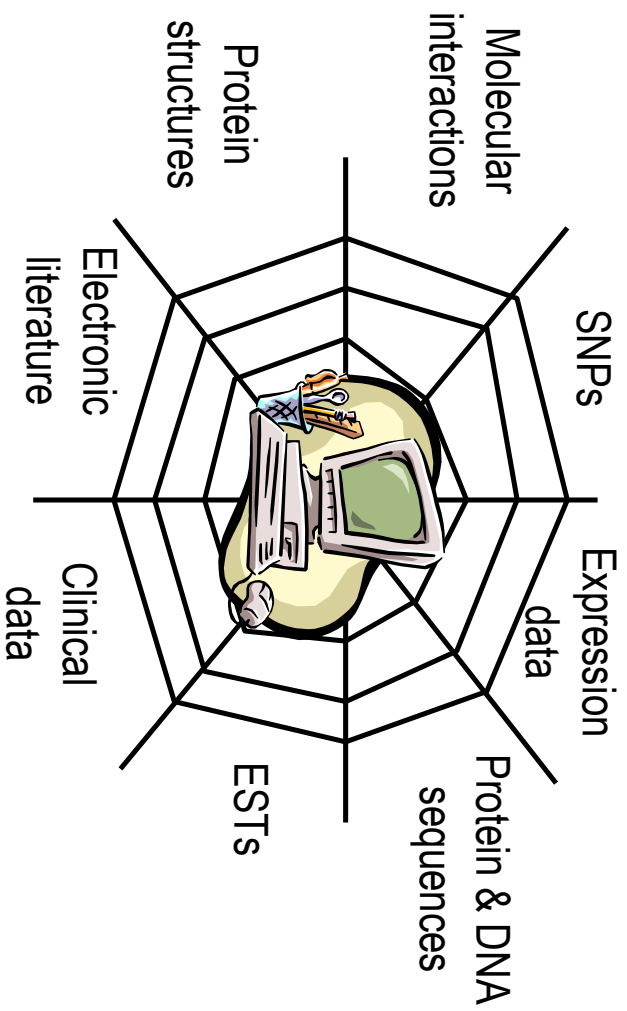
## Interactions between ST1571 and the kinase domain of human Abl



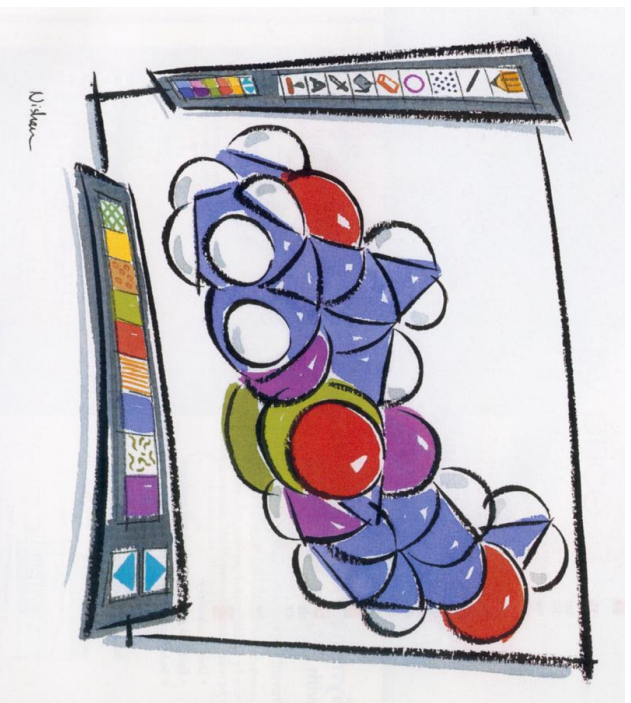
## CONCLUSIONS

- High-throughput technologies alone are not likely to improve the **productivity** of drug discovery research greatly.
- The **integration** of diverse discovery technologies is expected to have an increasingly important role.
- **High fall-out rates** of clinical candidates present a major problem for the pharmaceutical industry at present.
- There is a clear trend in the field to take 'downstream' **compound characteristics** beyond potency into account as early as possible during the discovery process (especially **ADME** parameters).
- Excellent opportunities for chemoinformatics to interface with experimental discovery programmes: **complementarity** of VS and HTS efforts in the early phases of drug discovery research.
- VS has a natural tendency to aim at 'rational' **reduction** in the number and magnitude of experiments.

# The invisible web



William Stafford Noble © 2001



**PREGUNTAS, POR FAVOR**

E-mail: [federico.gago@uah.es](mailto:federico.gago@uah.es)

