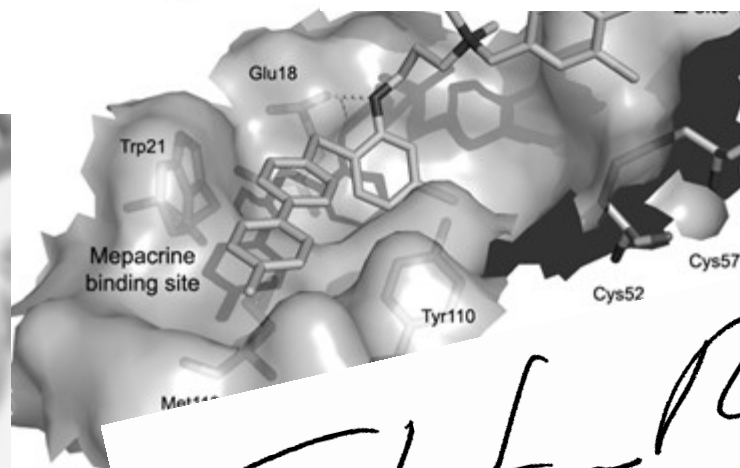
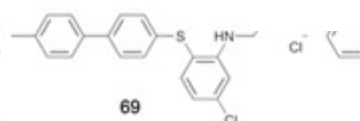
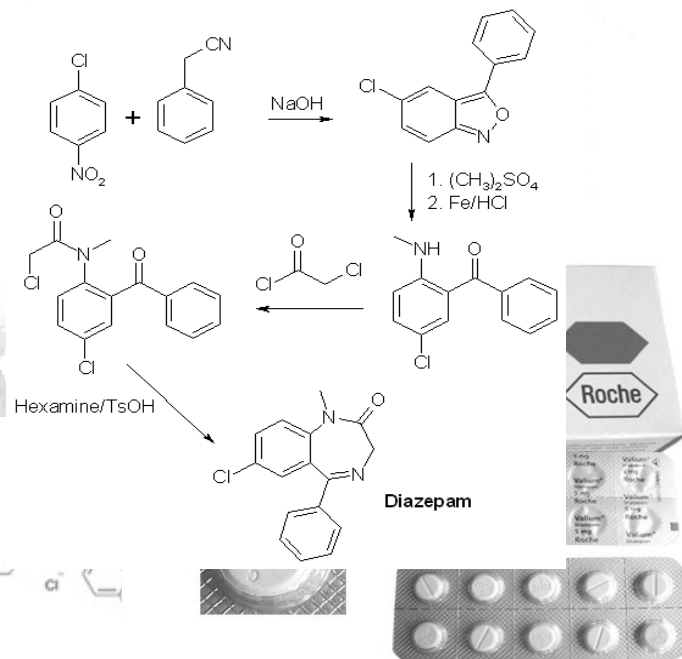


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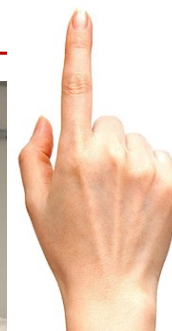
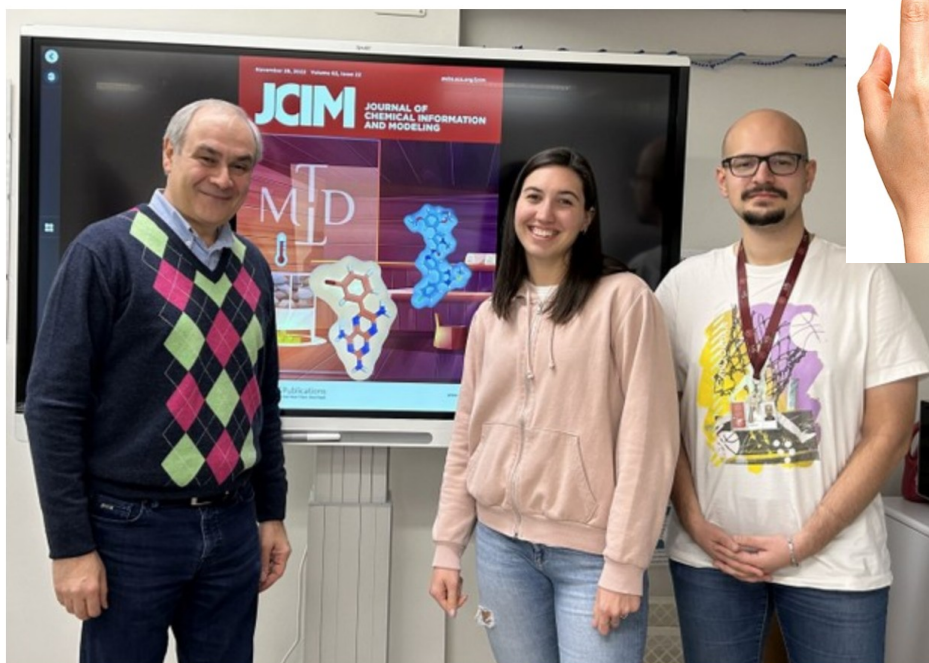
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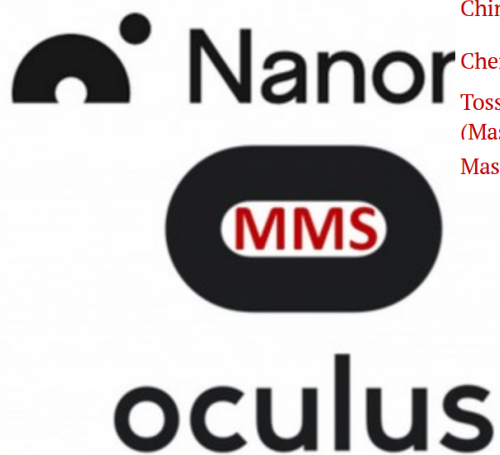
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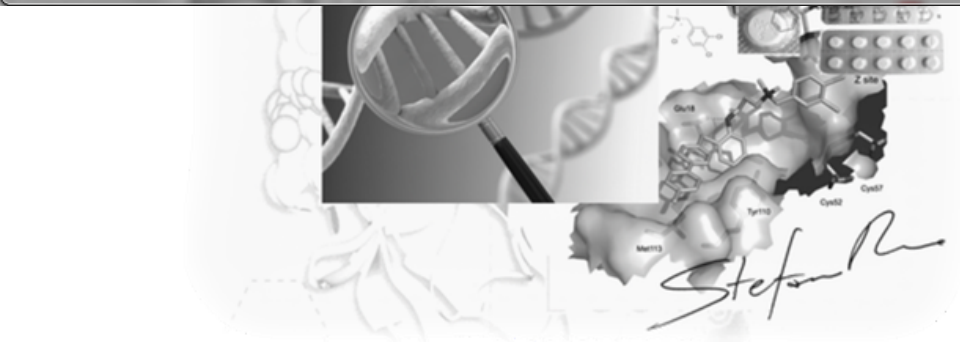
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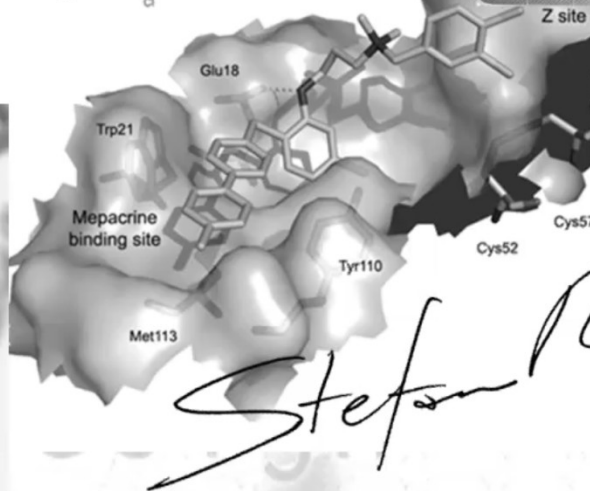
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...principi attivi di farmaci che non possiamo non conoscere.

Miei cari, a seguito la lista dei principi attivi che non possiamo non conoscere... almeno per il completamento del percorso fatto insieme. Volevo sottolineare che molti di questi principi attivi fanno parte di quella lista che l'WTO considera come la "List of Essential Medicines" compilata per la prima volta nel 1977... e giunta al suo XVIII aggiornamento (Aprile 2013).

Comunicazione colinergica:

	Metacolina	
	Carbacolo	
	Betanecolo	
	Epibatedina	
	Pilocarpina	
	Arecolina	
	Atropina	
	Scopolamina	
	Butilscolamina	
	Tiotropium	
	Amprotropina	
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In the spirit of the motto "interdisciplinarity is dialog" the aim of the MMS is to face computational medicinal chemistry and therapeutic needs in collaboration with all field experts... not mixing our expertise but summing them up.

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L'aiuto grande che vi chiedo:

- **Chimica Organica 1**
- **Chimica Farmaceutica 1**
- **Biochimica (Chimica Biologica)**

che cosa ci manca enormemente:

- **Farmacologia generale**



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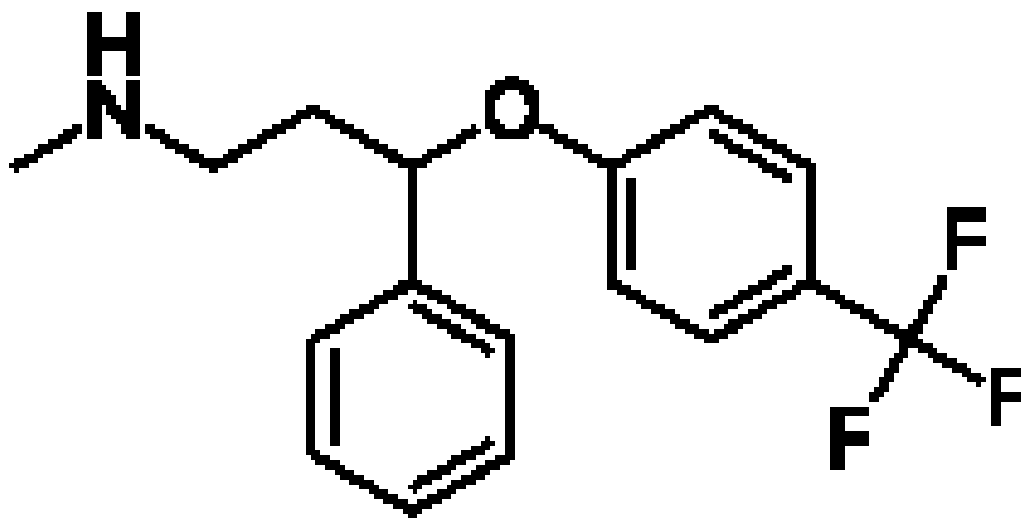
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• Parte seconda: sistematica

Farmaci terapeuticamente rilevanti in patologie del SNC, dell'apparato cardiovascolare, del sistema immunitario e del sistema riproduttivo



To explain you our mission... a need a volunteer!





Are you ready to start?

good luck!





Lesson 0: drug definition...



how can we define a drug, very pragmatically?

**Physiology
State**



**Pathology
State**



DRUG



**Physiology
State**



Infantile Hemangioma



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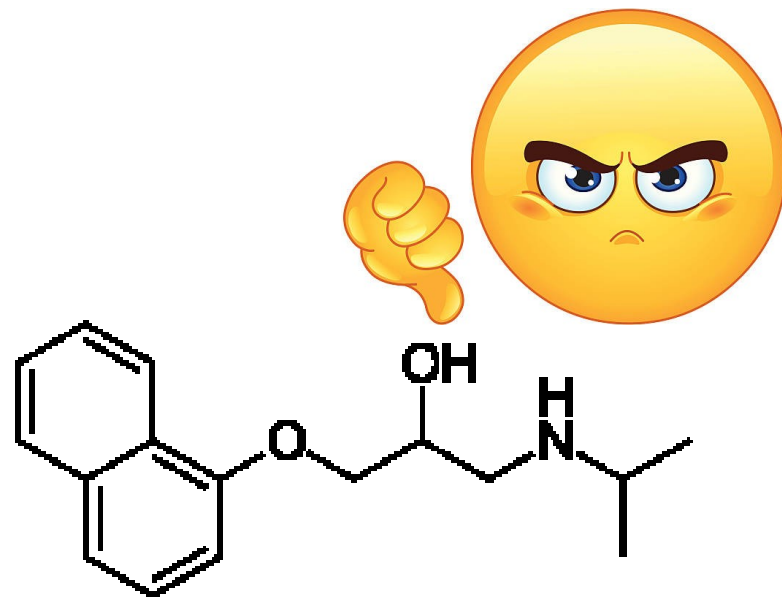
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THM Lesson 0: I pray you, never believe that



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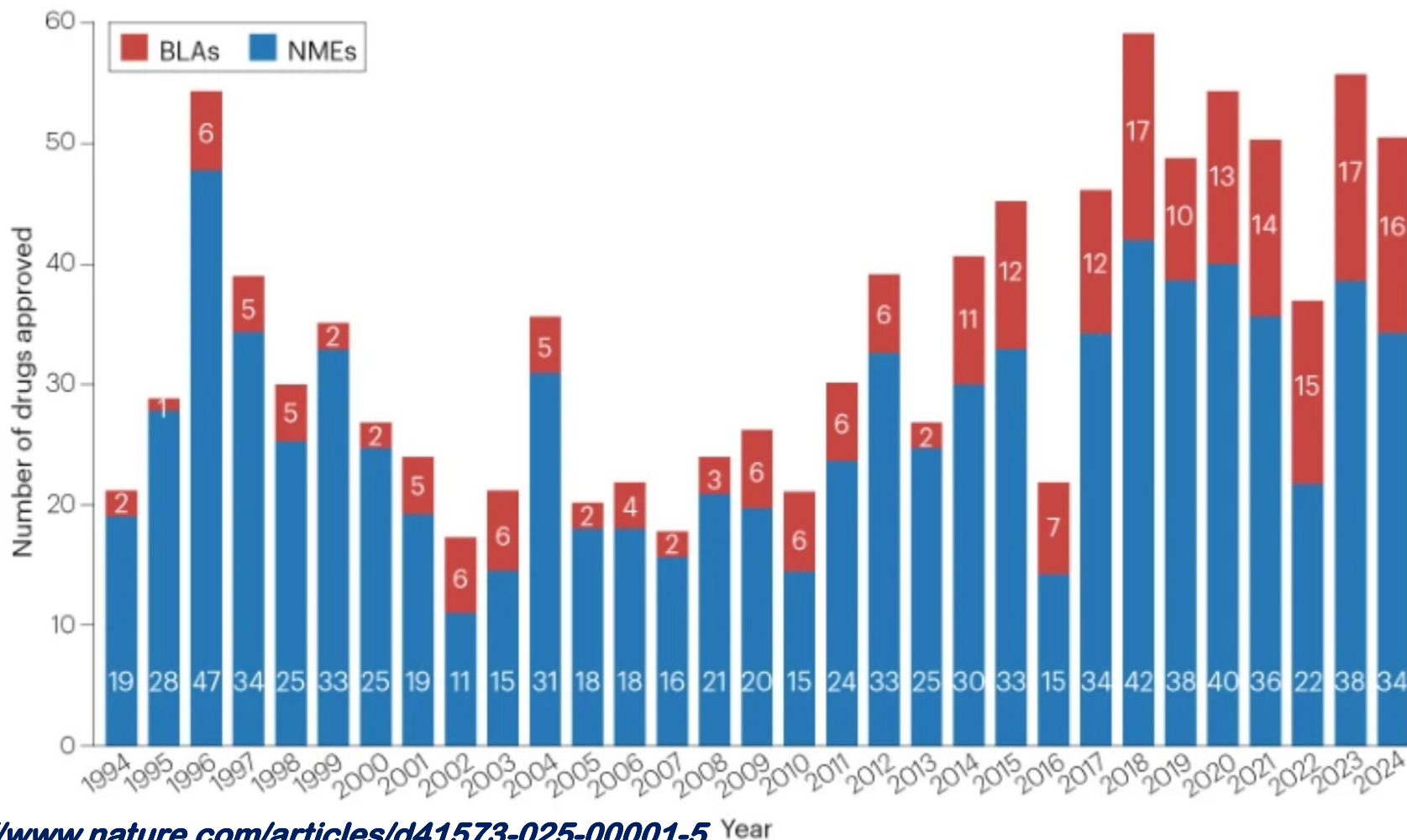
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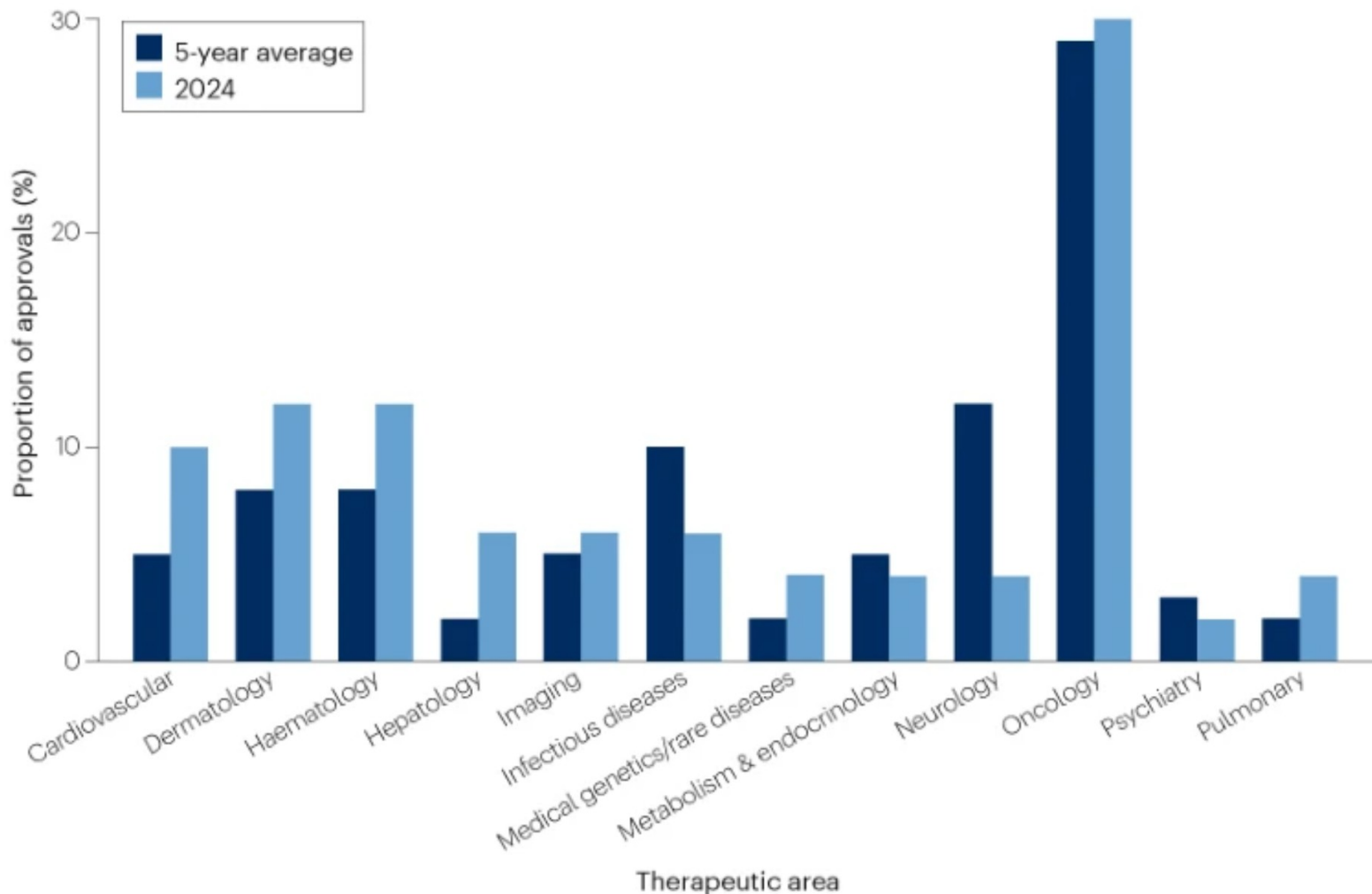


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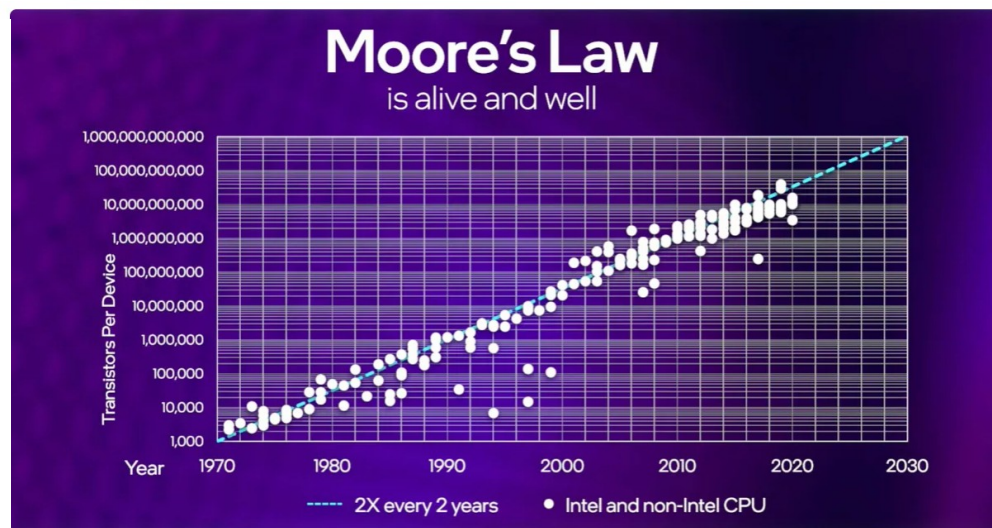
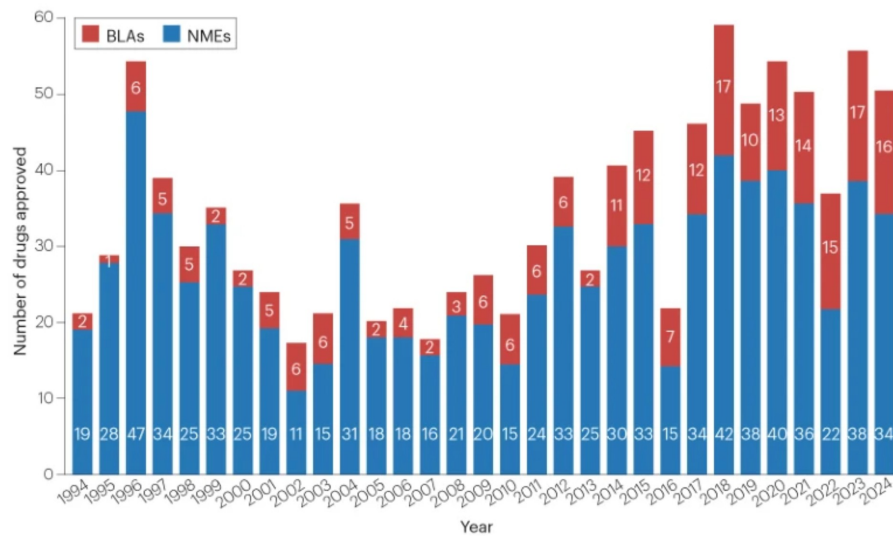
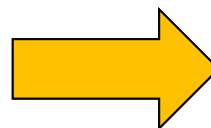
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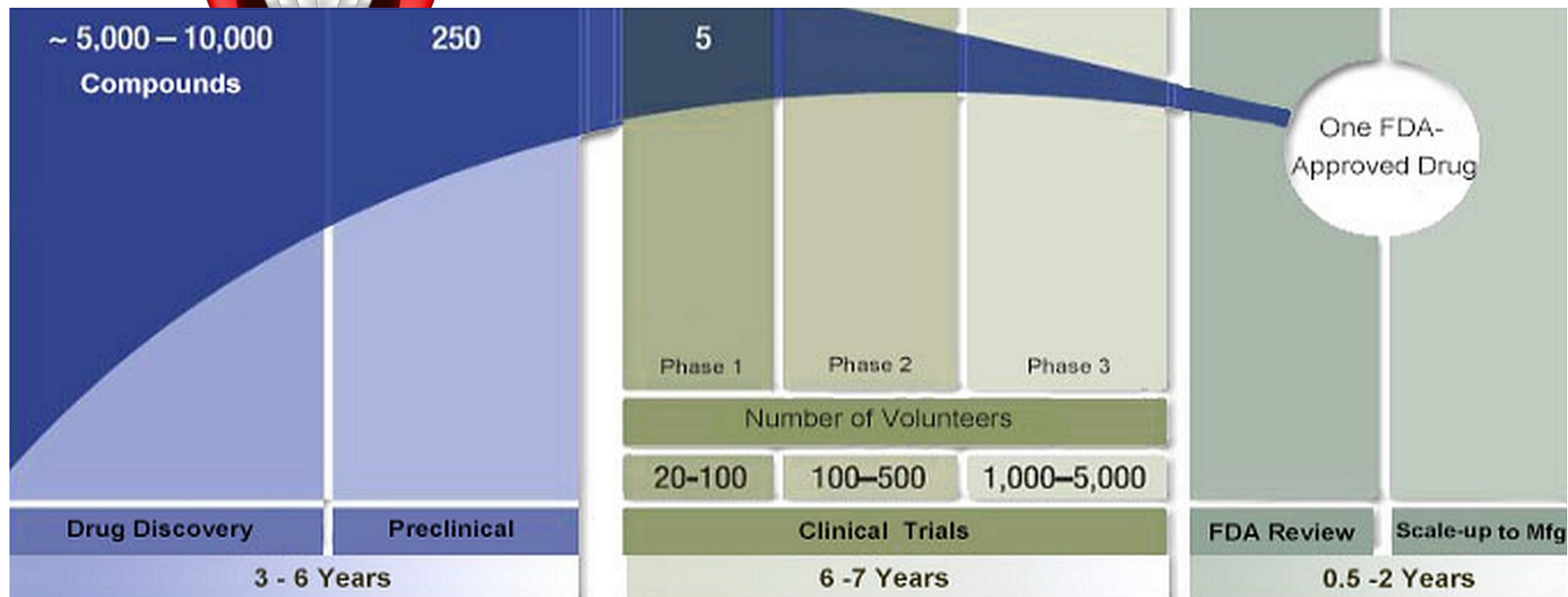
we can stop for a second and reflect together?



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What you already know very very well: the long history of the birth of a drug...



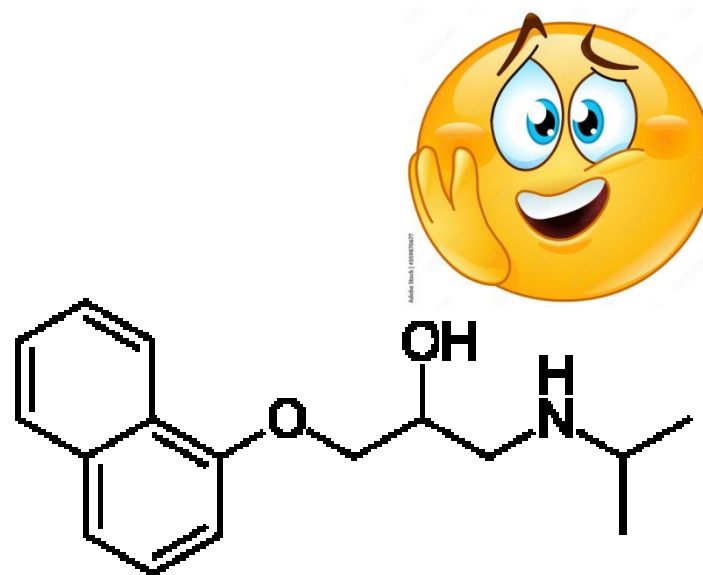
**Bringing a new drug to market can take 8-14 years
and costs between \$400 and \$1000 million (even more!!!)**



In fact, that's happen if you believe that:



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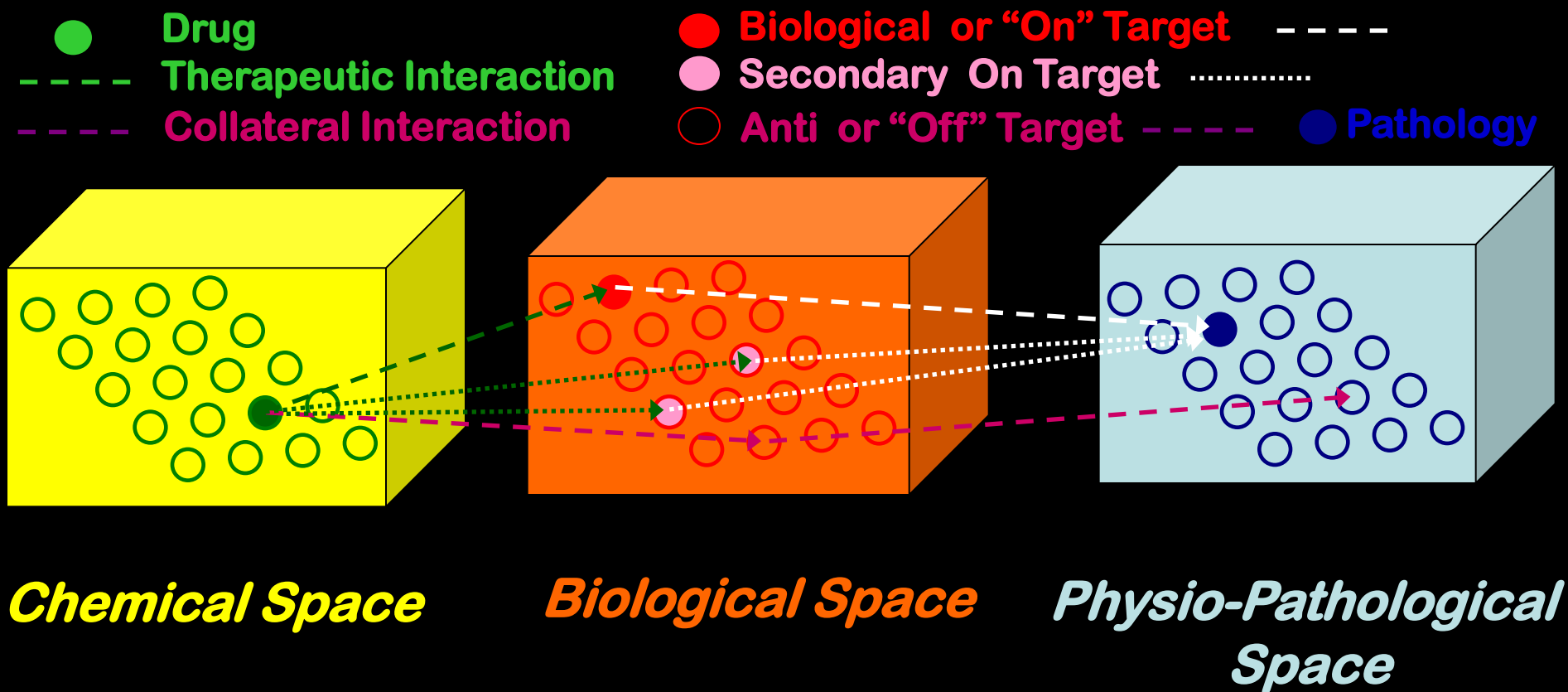
Propranolol



Lesson 1: change our drug discovery paradigm... let's try in this way!



How we can schematize our definition?





Summarizing:

Biological or “On” Target:

is a receptor, enzyme, or other cellular target that, when affected by a drug, causes the desired therapeutical effect.

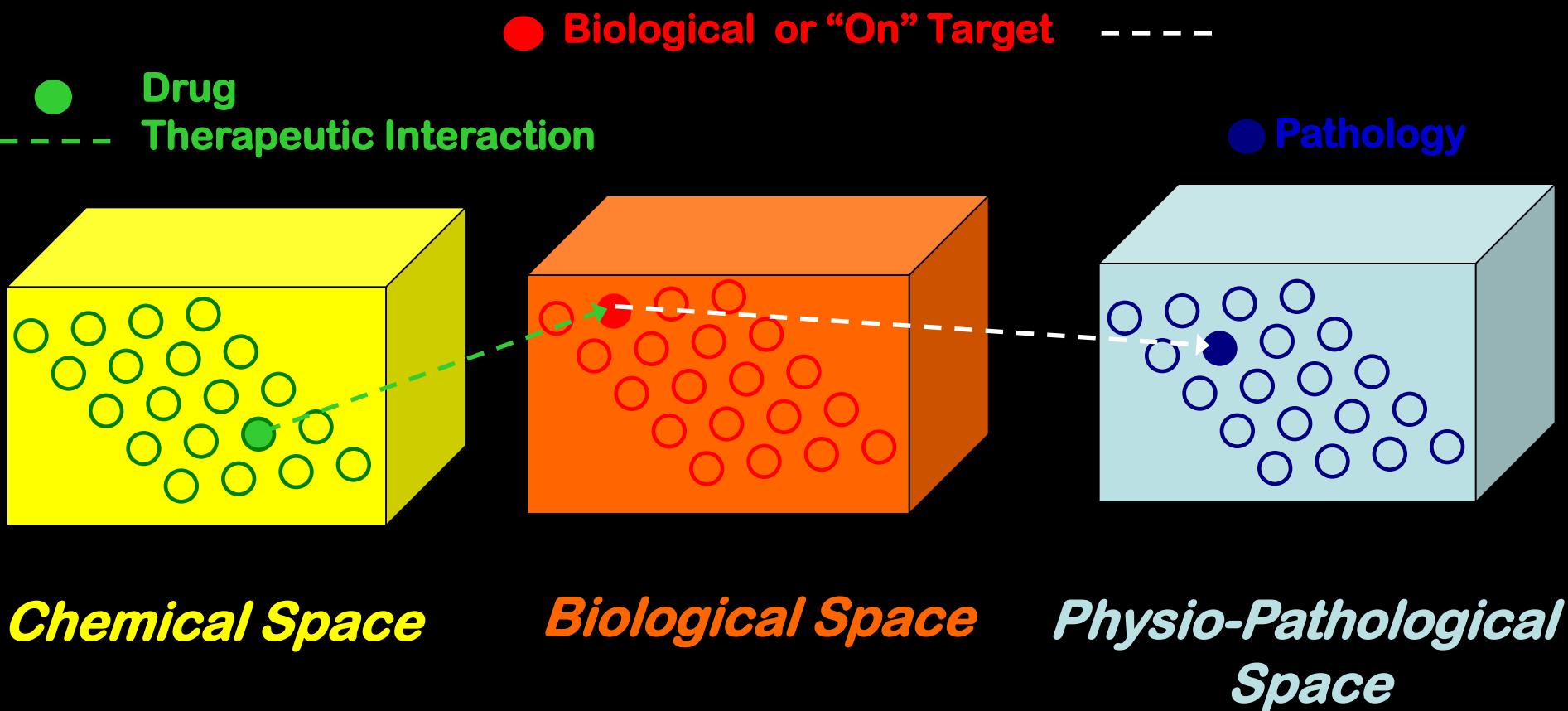


Anti or “Off” Target:

is a receptor, enzyme, or other cellular target that, when affected by a drug, causes undesirable side-effects.



For a long long time we have considered as true this egoistic stoichiometry... 1 : 1 : 1

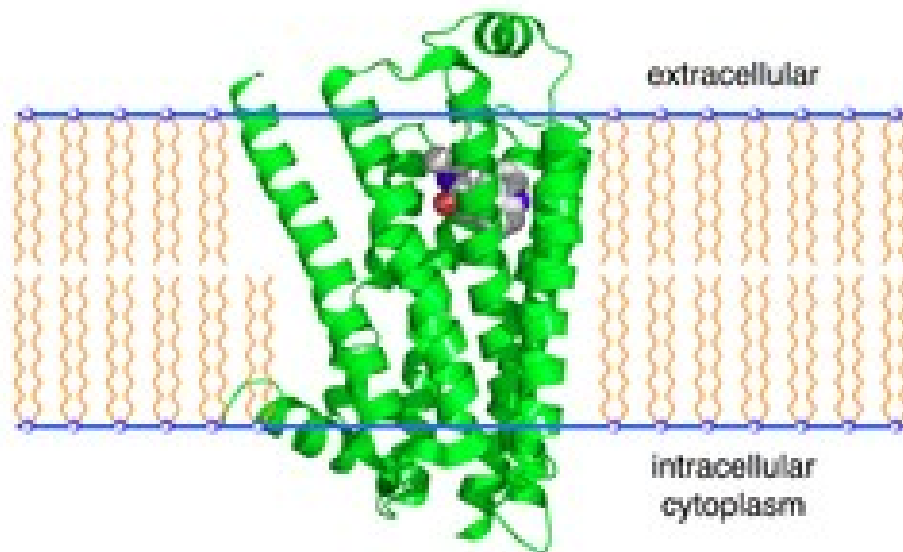




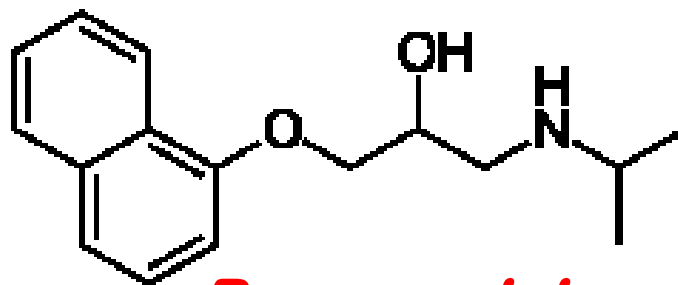
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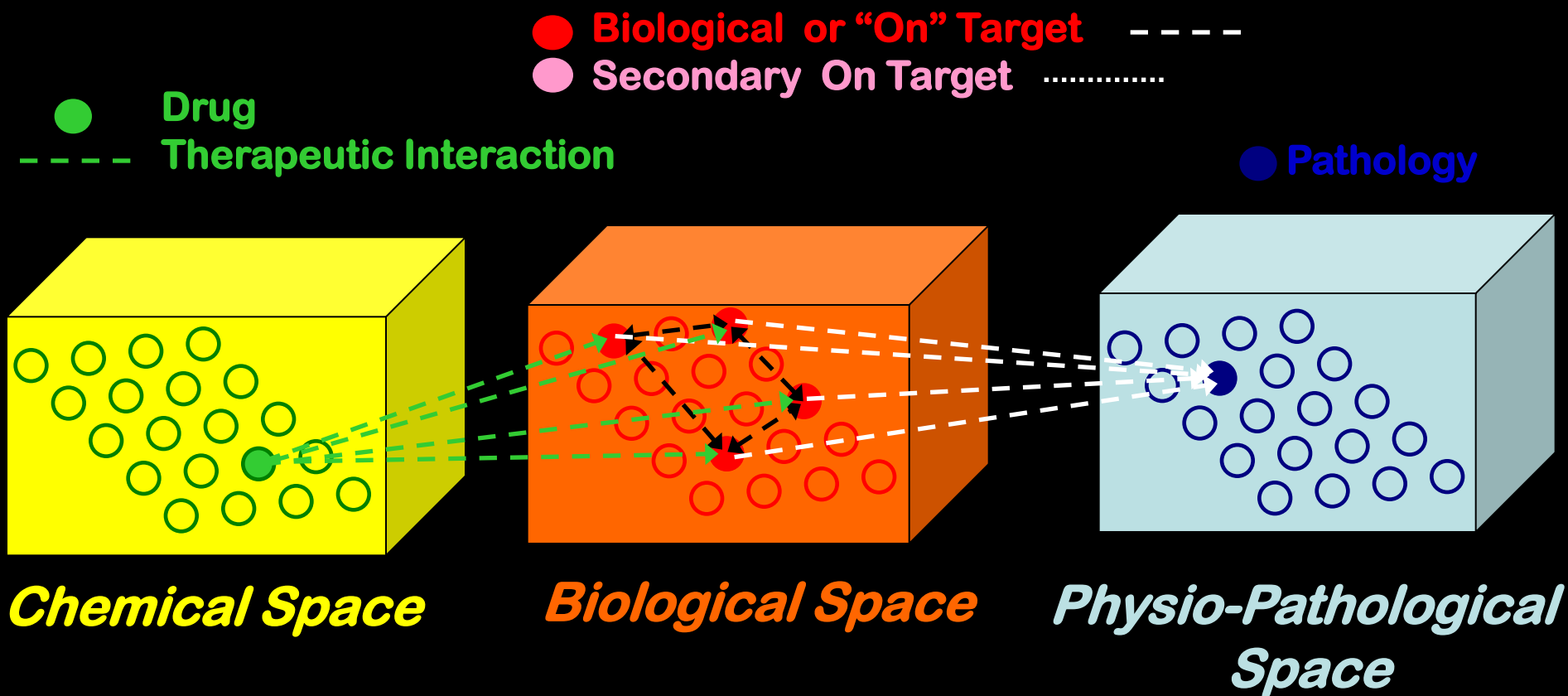
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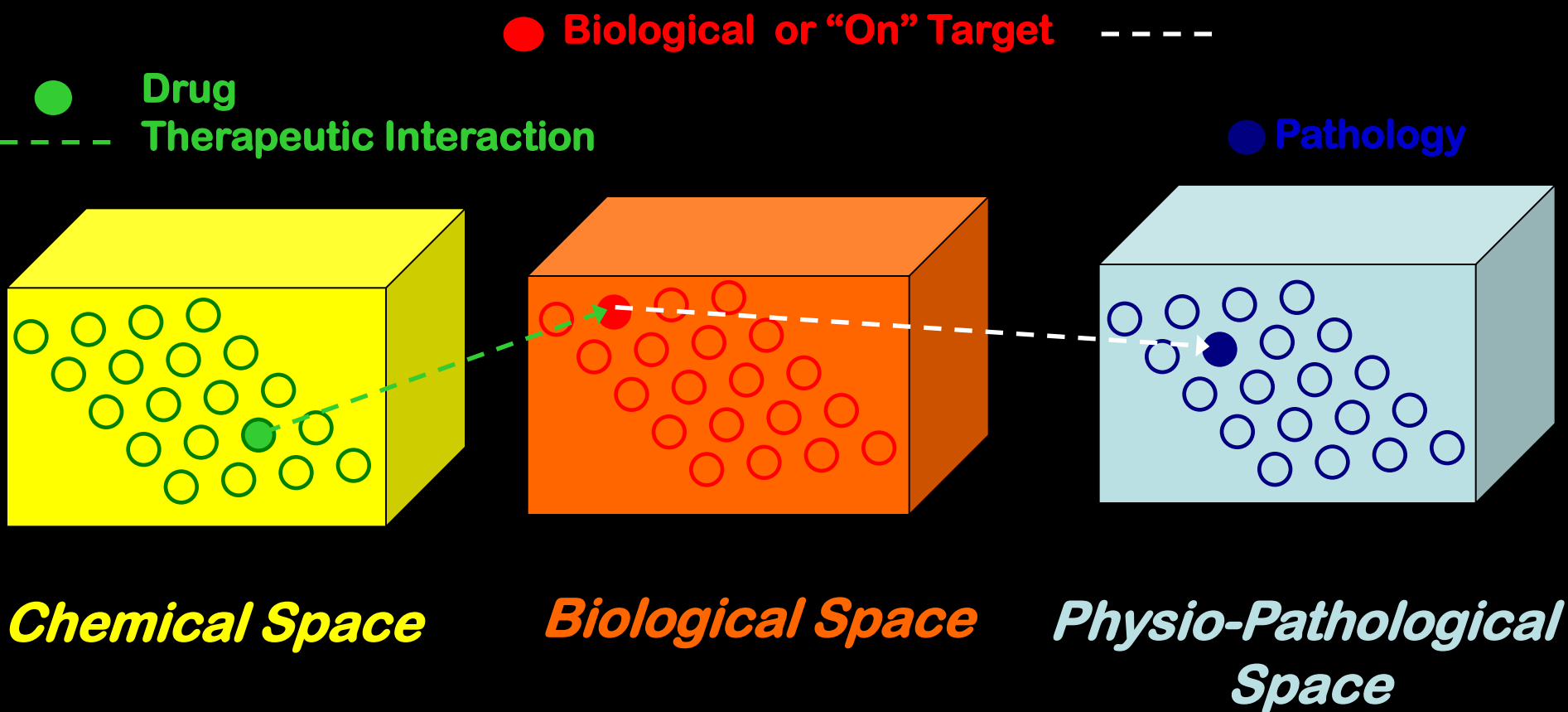
Now we have to change our mind: from *single-target* to *multi-targets* changing the stoichiometry to 1 : N : 1



This is the era of *multi-target pharmacology*

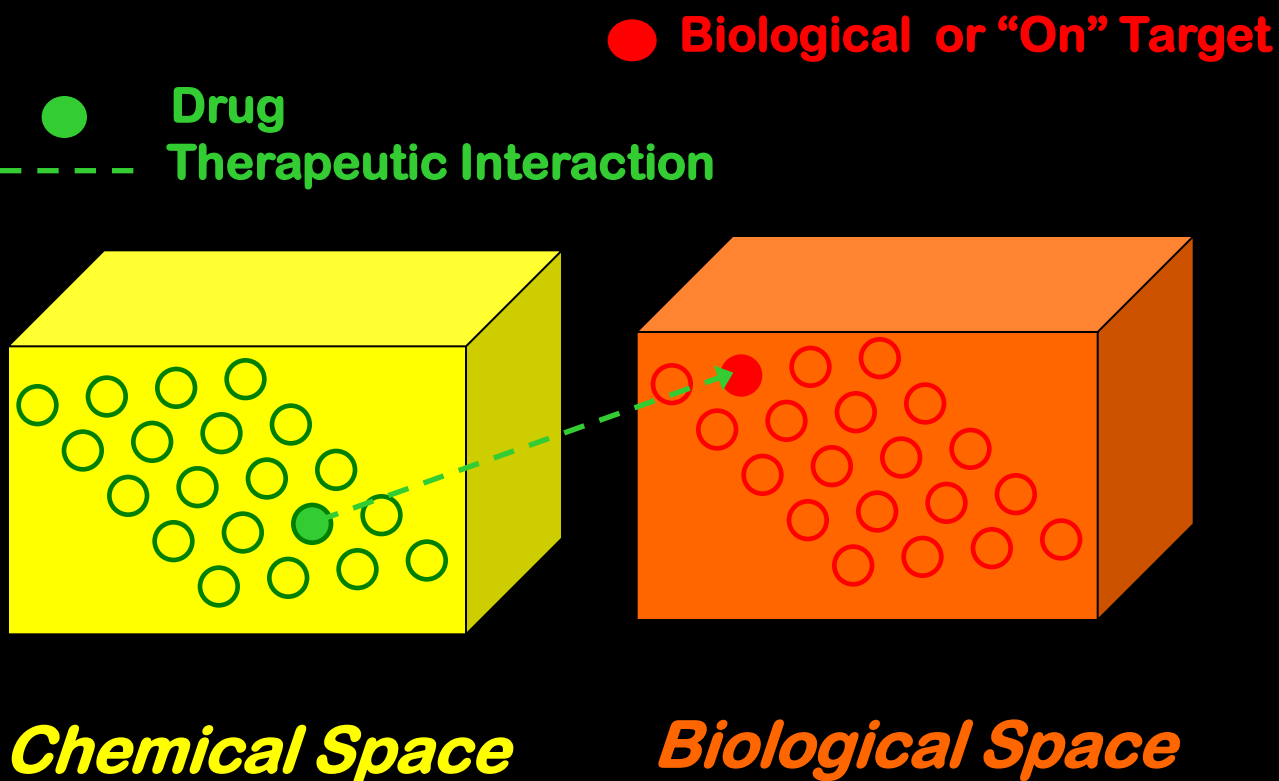


As medicinal chemists we often reduce the complexity of drug's concept in this way:





And very very often as medicinal chemists we pretend to oversimplify the complexity of drug's concept in this way:





but we will never forget:

PHARMACODYNAMIC (PD) PROFILE

the study of the biochemical and physiological effects of drugs and the mechanisms of their actions, including the correlation of their actions and effects with their chemical structure.

PHARMACOKINETIC (PK)/TOX PROFILE

The study of the process by which a drug is absorbed (A), distributed (D), metabolized (M), and eliminated (E) by the body.

FORMULATION PROFILE



... and as in our life:

we must meet each other

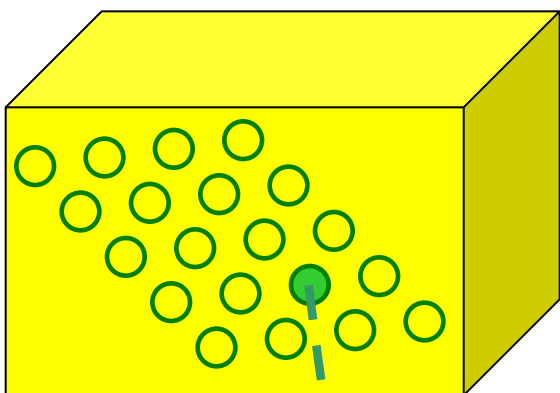
recognize each other

and in the end choose us!

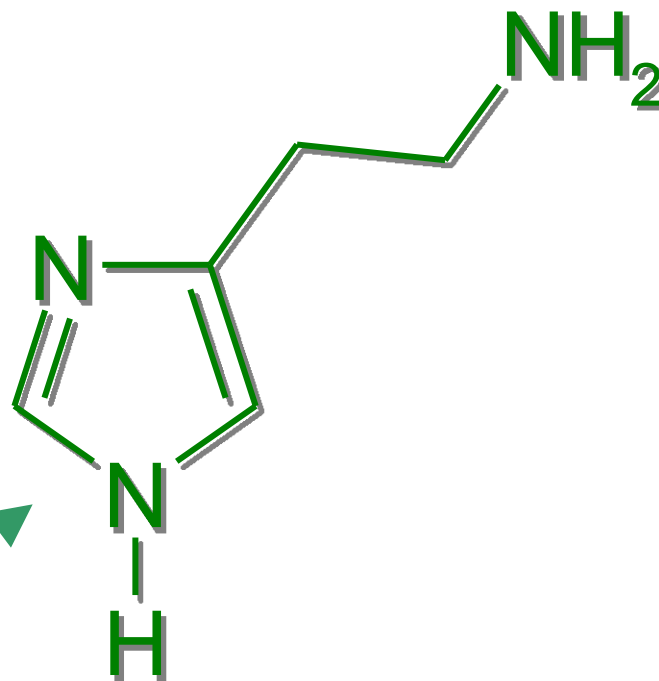


where PD and PK profiles are stored in a drug?

● Chemical/Drug

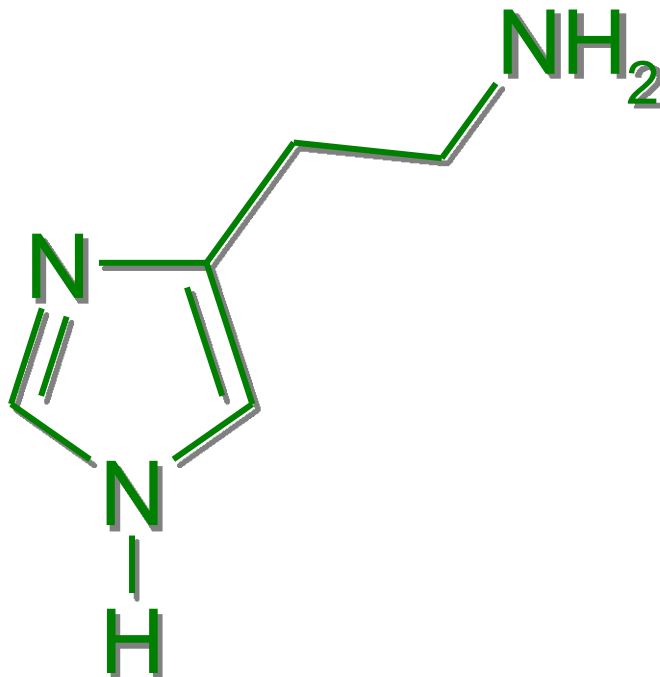


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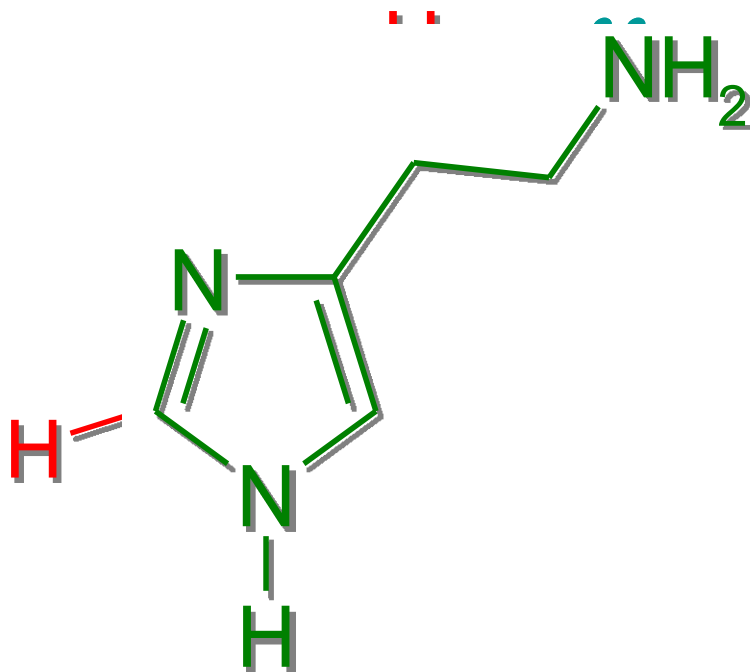
Please, we will never forget:



take the right distance from these representations!!!



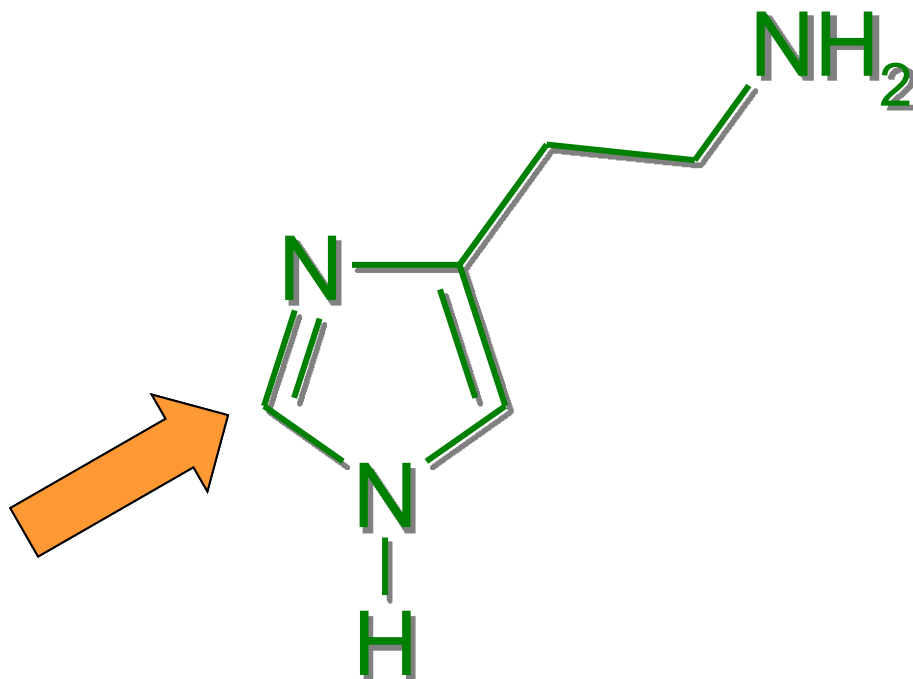
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Of course this is our *slang*!



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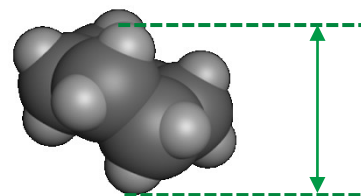
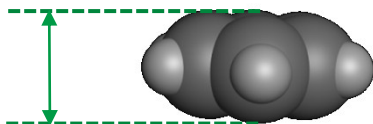
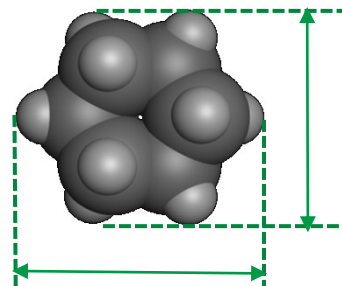
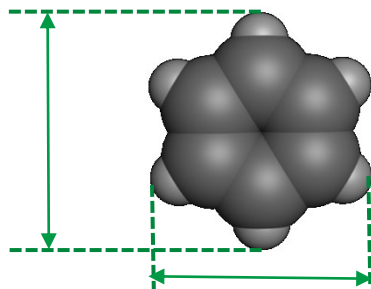
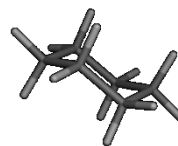
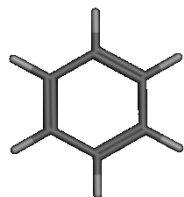


Identify the cyclic substructures, if any!!!



Why cycle: aromatic or not, few hints from 2D to 3D!

$4n + 2$



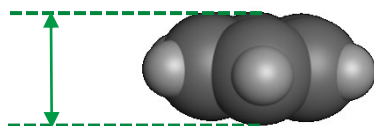
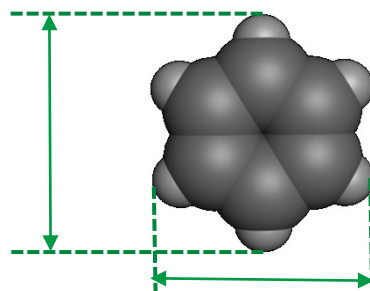
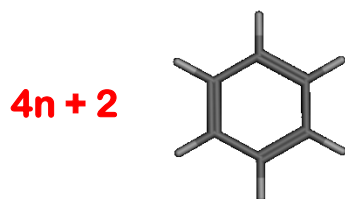
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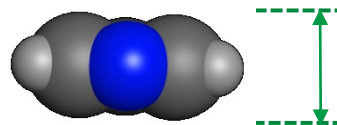
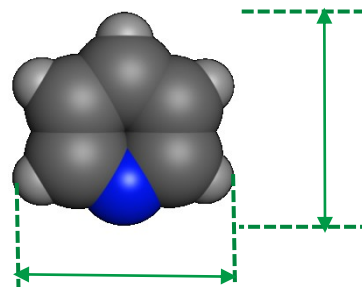
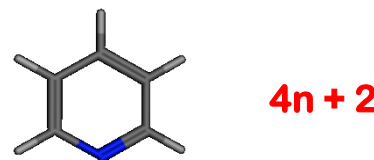




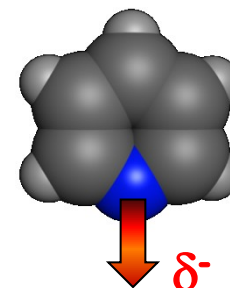
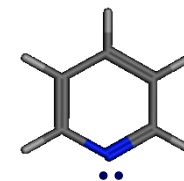
Why cycle: aromatic from carbocycle to heterocycle



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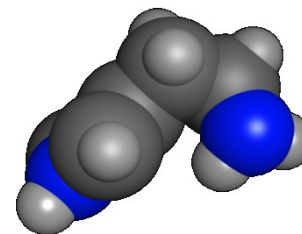
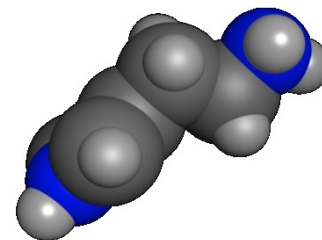
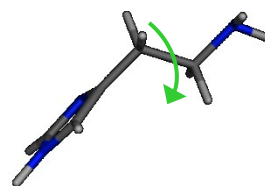
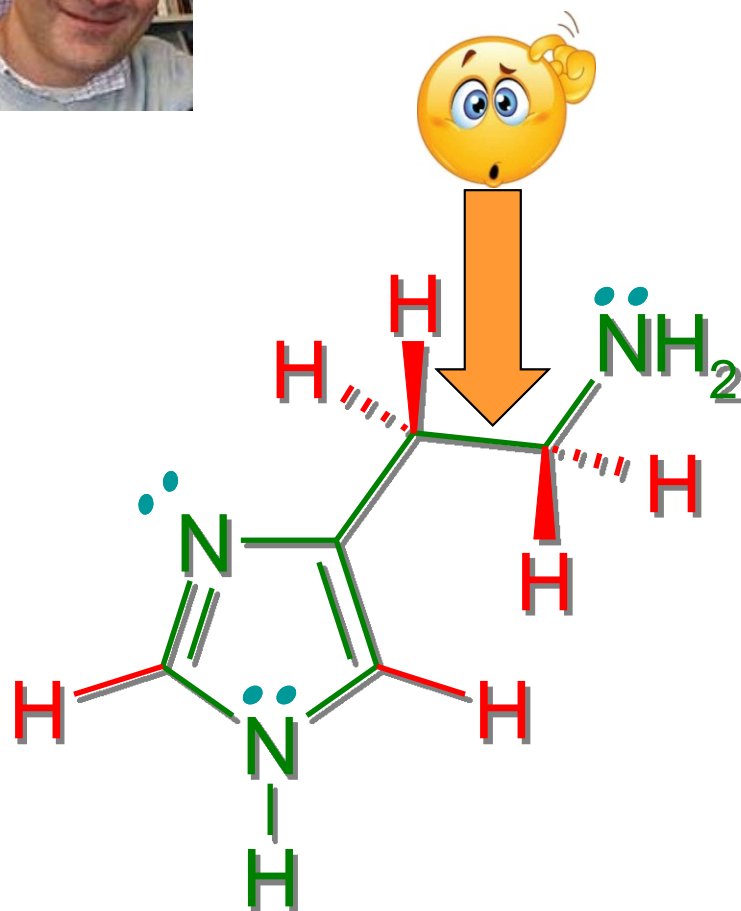


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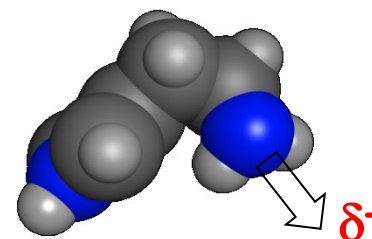
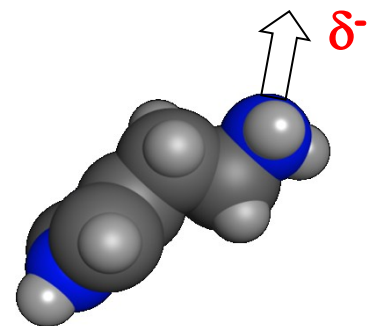
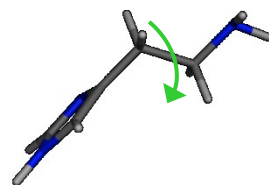
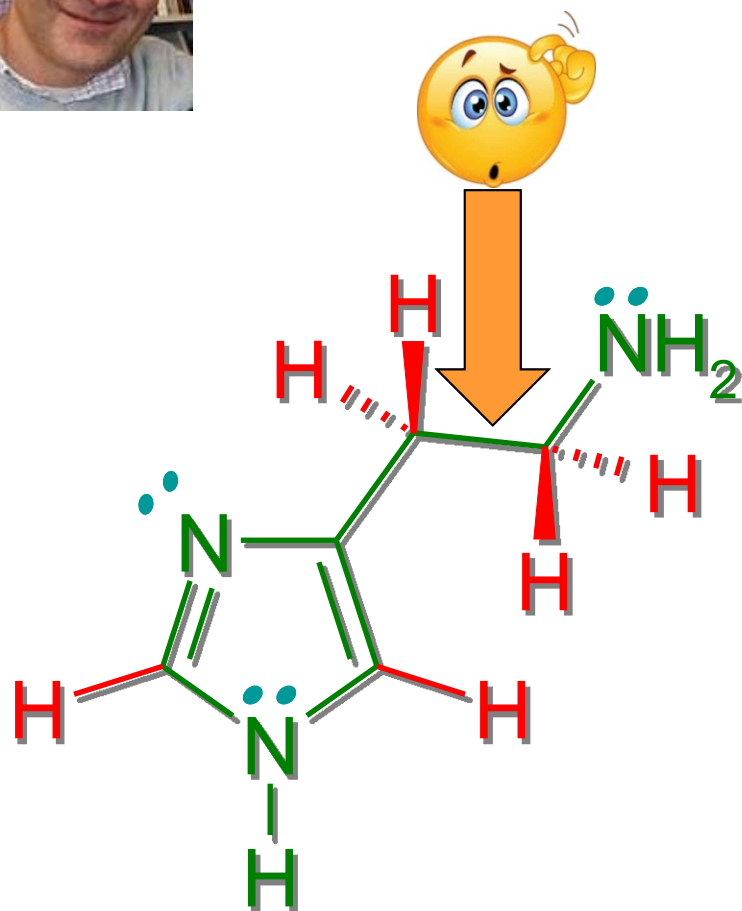
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flexible and non flat

Identify the rotatable bonds, if any!!!



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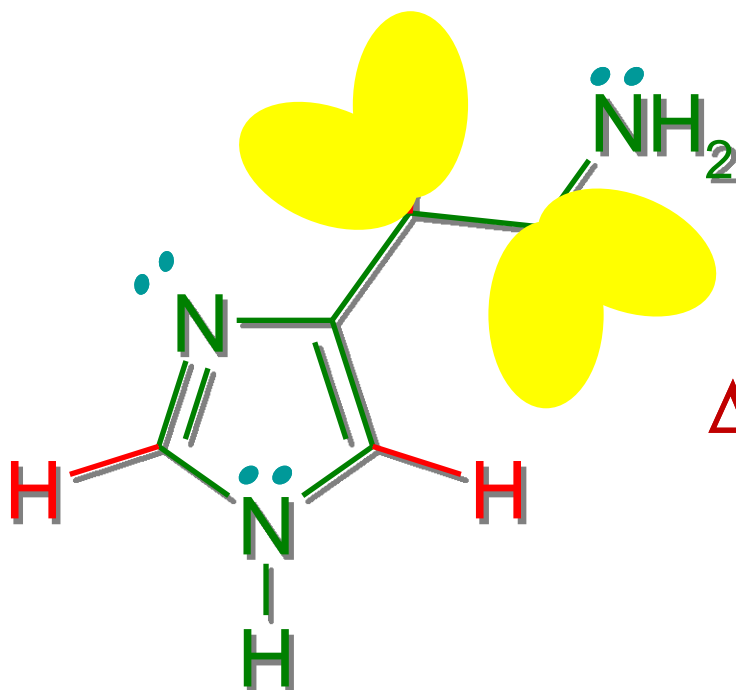


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**Change the
interaction scheme**



... and finally:



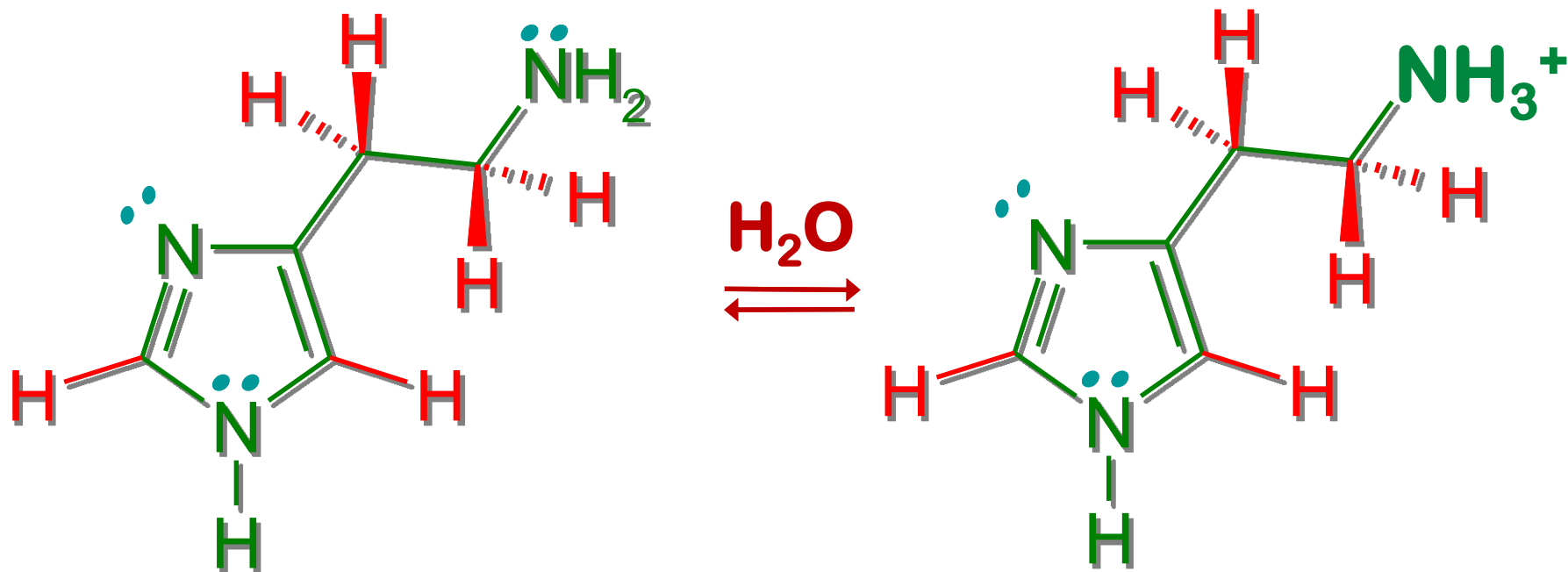
4 C-H bonds

$$\Delta EN_{\text{C-H}} = 0.3 \text{ (2.4-2.1)}$$

Remember to count the C-H bonds, if any!!!
(we will see why in a couple of slides)



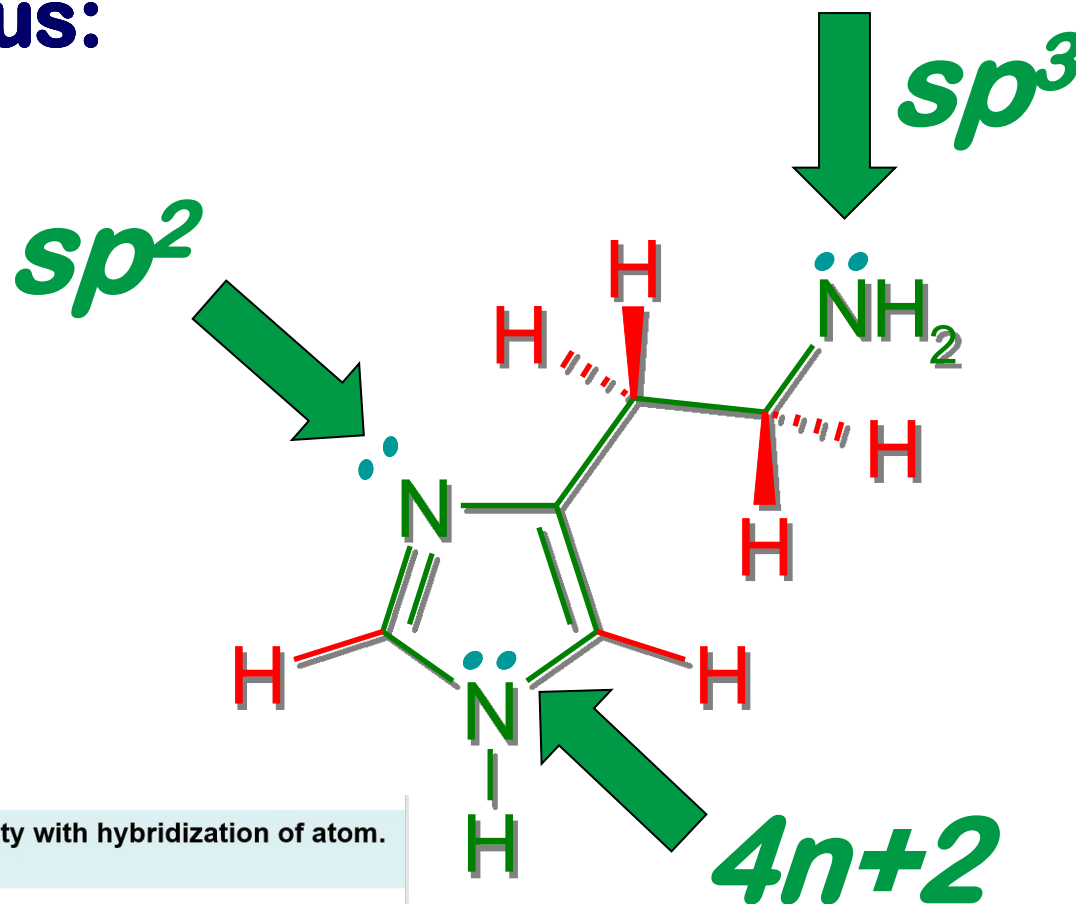
... and you can immediately associate:



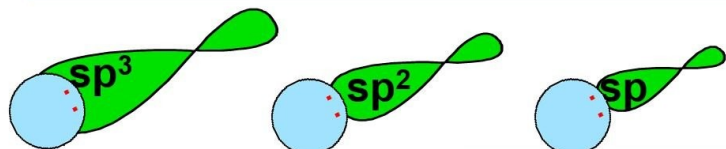
... two populations, as function of the intrinsic pKa and the local pH.



... and please check the hybridization status:



Variation of electronegativity with hybridization of atom.



Orbital Size order :

$sp^3 > sp^2 > sp$

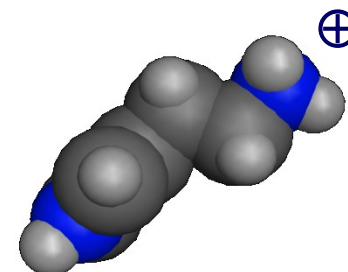
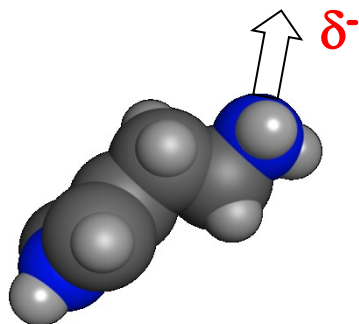
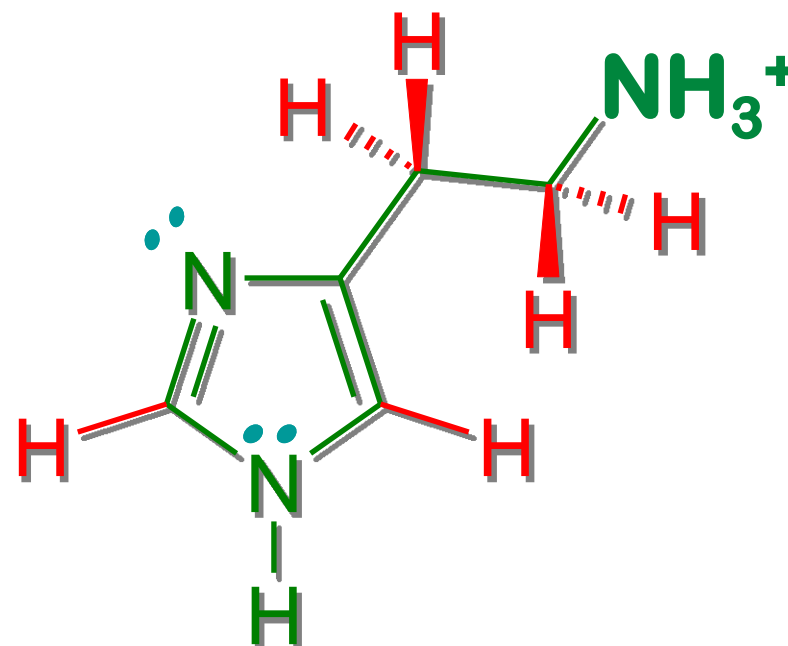
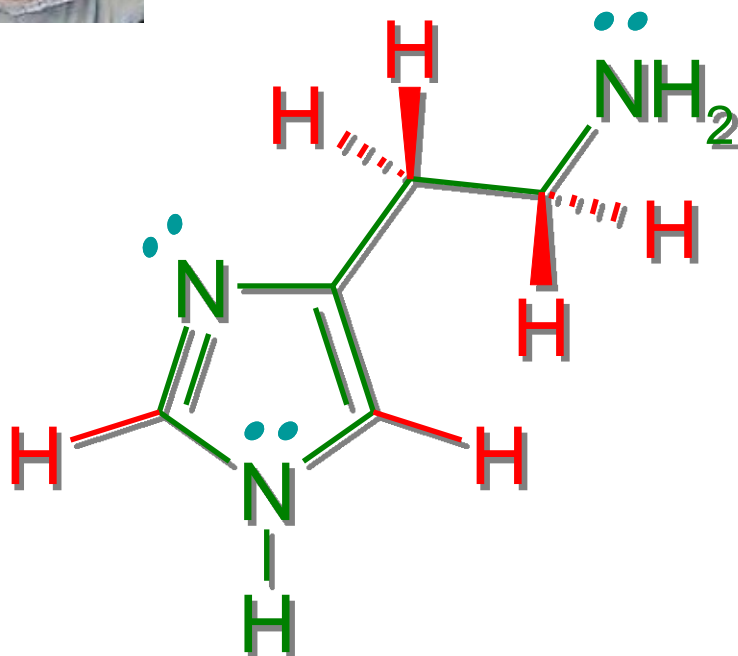
Electronegativity order:

$sp > sp^2 > sp^3$

Hybridization	χ (Pauling)
C(sp^3)	2.3
C(sp^2)	2.6
C(sp)	3.1
'generic' C	2.5



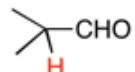
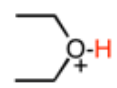
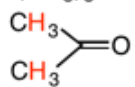
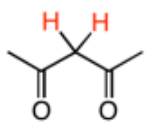
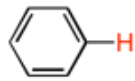
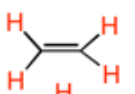
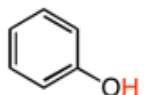

The second gold role:



Change the
interaction scheme



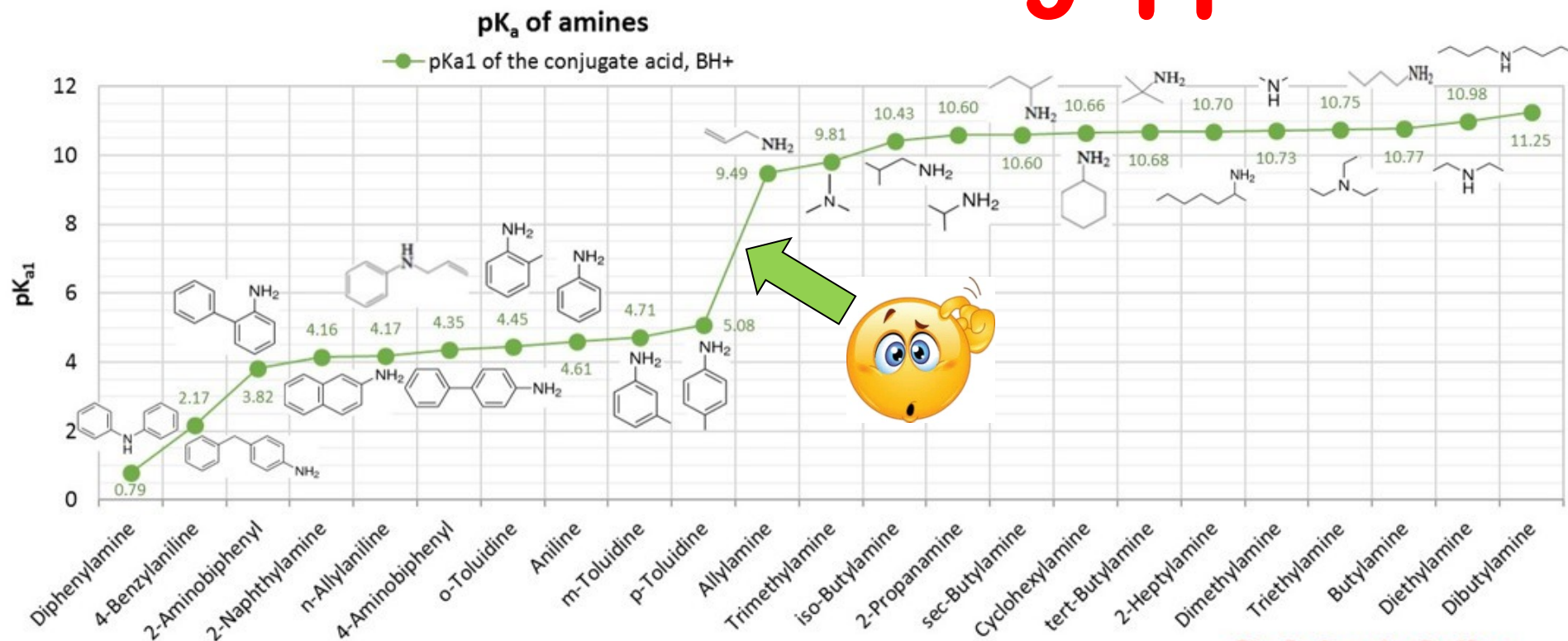
Just in case:

Brønsted Acids	pK _a	Brønsted Acids	pK _a
$\text{CH}_3\text{C}\equiv\text{N}^+-\text{H}$	-10	$\text{CH}_3\text{COCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{R}$	11
HI	-10		15.5
HBr	-9	CH_3OH	15.5
$(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}=\text{O}^+-\text{H}$	-7.2	HOH	15.7
HCl	-7	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}$	15.9
$(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{S}^+-\text{H}$	-5.4	$(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{COH}$	18
	-3.6		20
$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}_2^+$	-2.4	$(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{SO}_2$	23
H_3O^+	-1.7	$\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$	25
$\text{CF}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	0.2	$\text{CH}_3\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$	25
HF	3.18	$\text{HC}\equiv\text{CH}$	25
$\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	4.76	NH_3	35
H_2S	7.0	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{NH}_2$	35
	9	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$	38
NH_4^+	9.25		43
HCN	9.40		44
	10.0		46
CH_3NO_2	10.2	$\text{CH}_4, \text{C}_2\text{H}_6$	~50
$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{SH}$	10.5		



This will be crucial for us during all our course!!!

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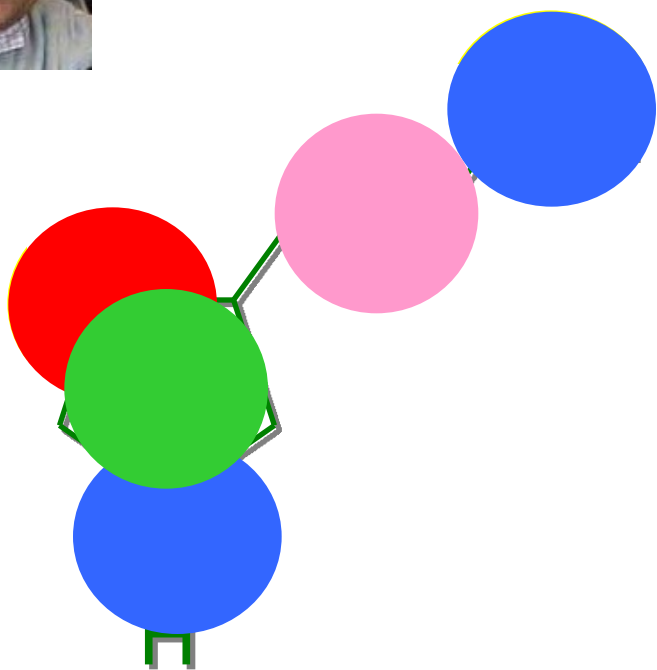


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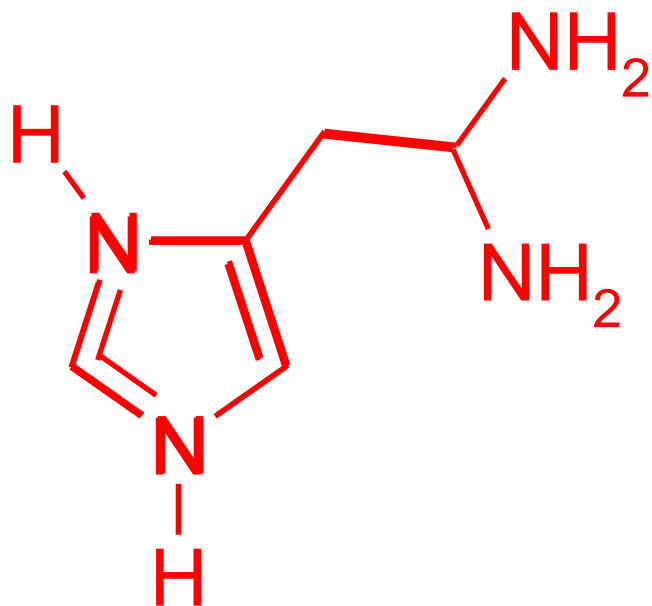
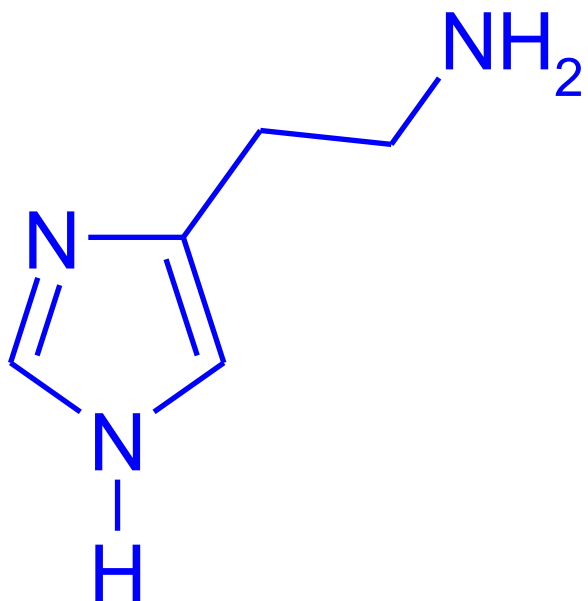
Good orthography means ability to recognize:



1. acid/base groups (*ionic bond*);
2. strong bond dipoles (*H-bond, dipole-dipole, charge-dipole...*);
3. π bonds (*π - π interactions, charge- π , ...*);
4. weak bond dipoles (*dipole-dipole as van der Waals interactions*);

Do you remember:

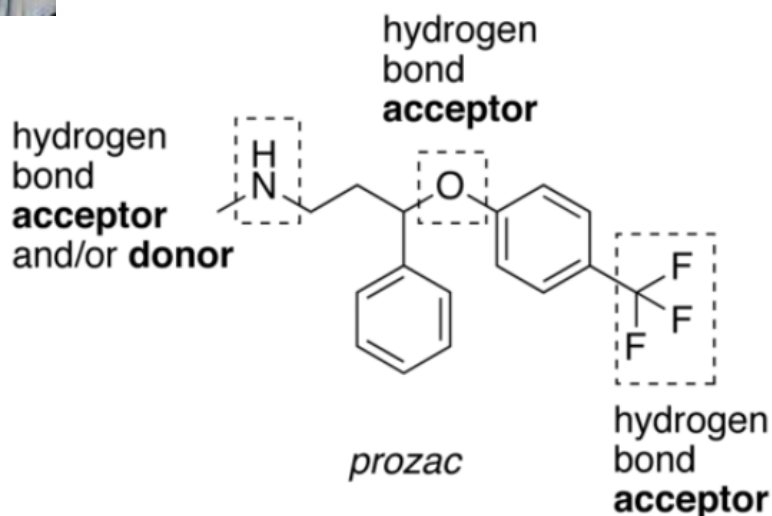
1. pKa scale of acidity
2. hydrogen bond strength
3. aromaticity rule ($4n+2$)
4. bond dipole moment



1. acid/base groups (*ionic bond*);
2. Strong bond dipoles (*H-bond, dipole-dipole, charge-dipole...*);
3. π bonds (*π - π interactions, charge- π , ..*);
4. Weak bond dipoles (*dipole-dipole as van der Waals*);
5. Tautomers (*tautomeric equilibrium and tautomer stability*);
6. Conformers (*conformational equilibrium and conformer stability*);
7. Stereochemistry (chiral centers)
8. Chemical reactivity;



Just in case:



F-H ... :F (38.6 kcal/mol)
 O-H ... :N (6.9 kcal/mol)
 O-H ... :O (5.0 kcal/mol)
 N-H ... :N (3.1 kcal/mol)
 N-H ... :O (1.9 kcal/mol)
 HO-H ... :OH₃⁺ (4.3 kcal/mol)

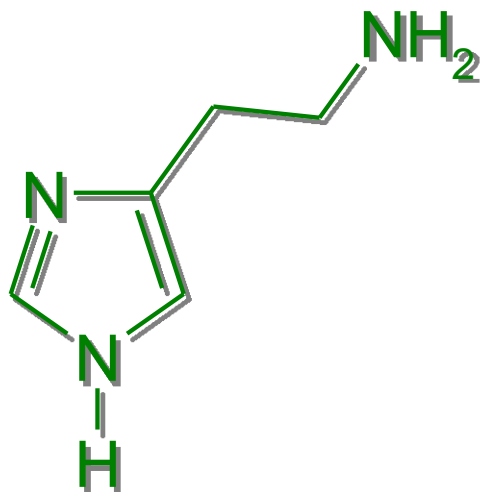
Bond Dipole Moments



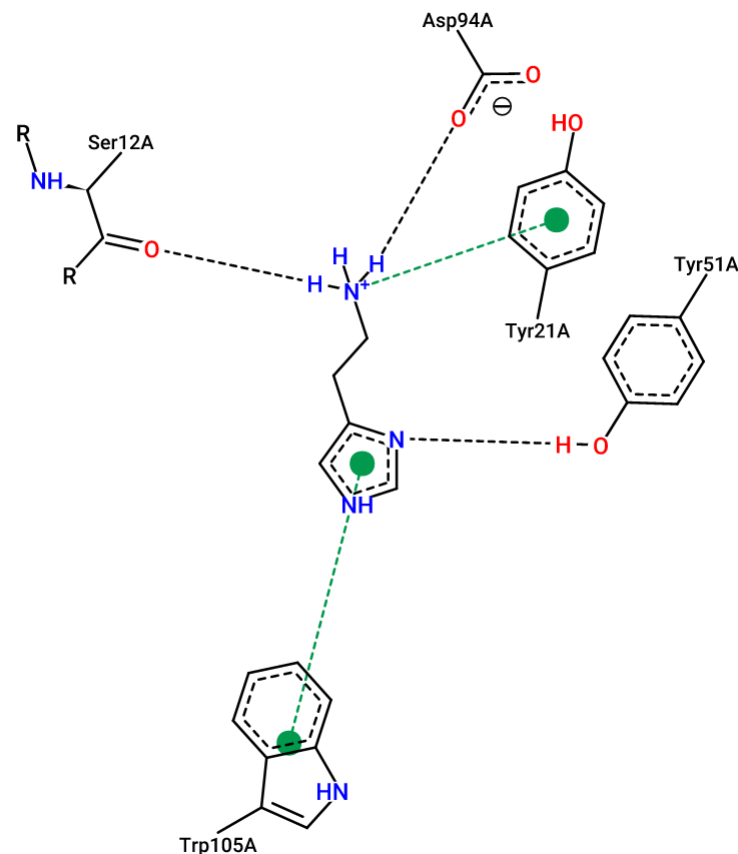
Bond	Dipole Moment (D)
H-C	0.3
H-N	1.31
H-O	1.53
C-N	0.22
C-O	0.86
C-F	1.51
C-Cl	1.56
C-Br	1.48
C-I	1.29
C=O	2.4
CN (cyano)	3.6



THM Lesson 1: the first major difference between an organic chemist and a medicinal chemist:



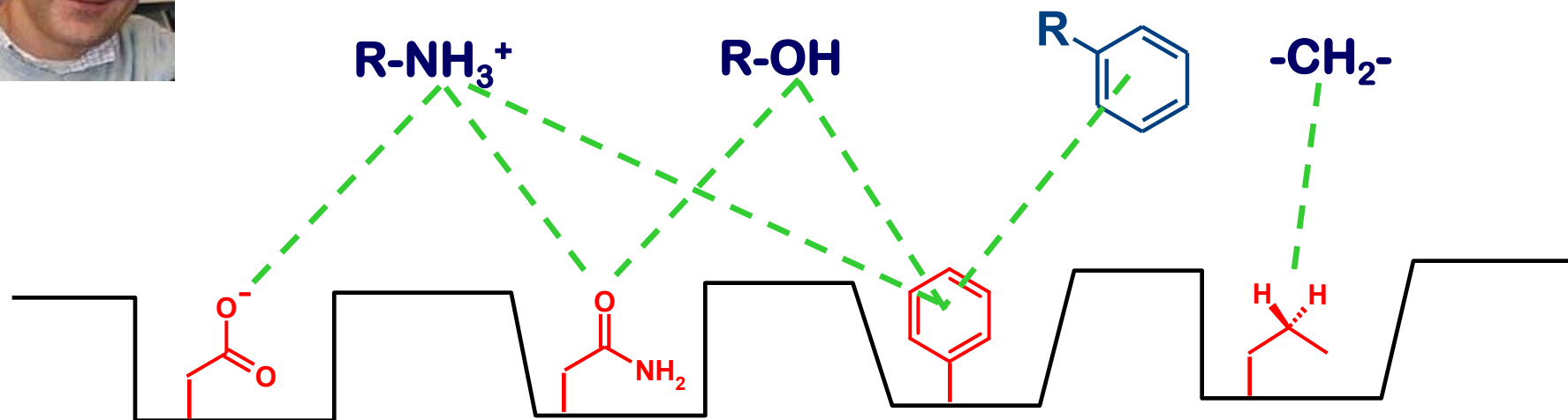
I'm like that and I have these properties



I'm like this and have these properties, and consequently I could recognize in this way ...



From structure to interaction:



charge-charge interaction (*ionic bond*):

charge-dipole interaction:

charge- π interaction:

hydrogen bond:

charge transfer interaction:

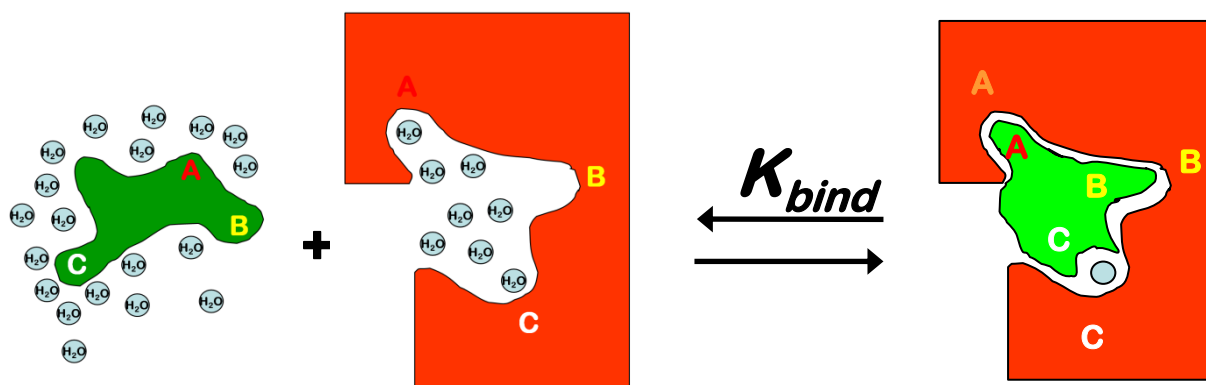
π - π interaction:

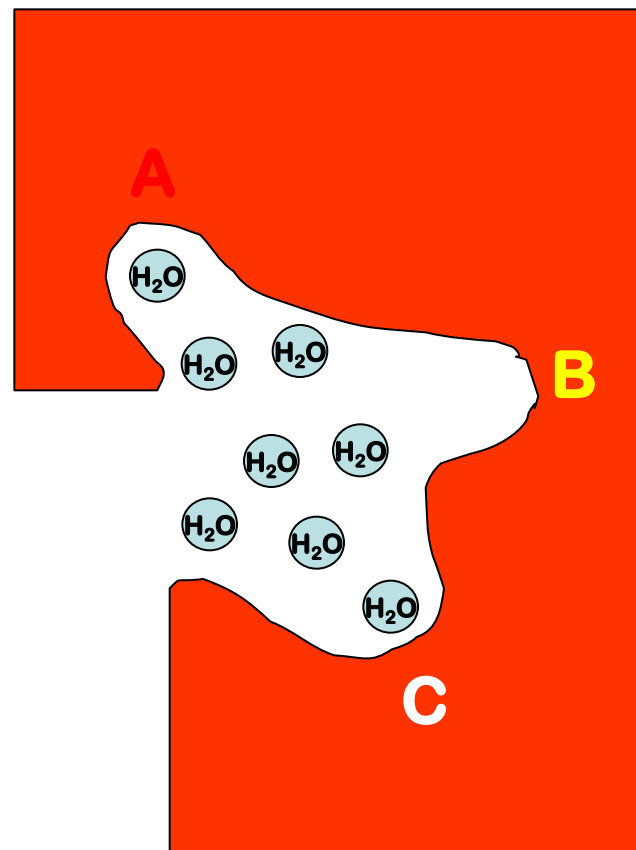
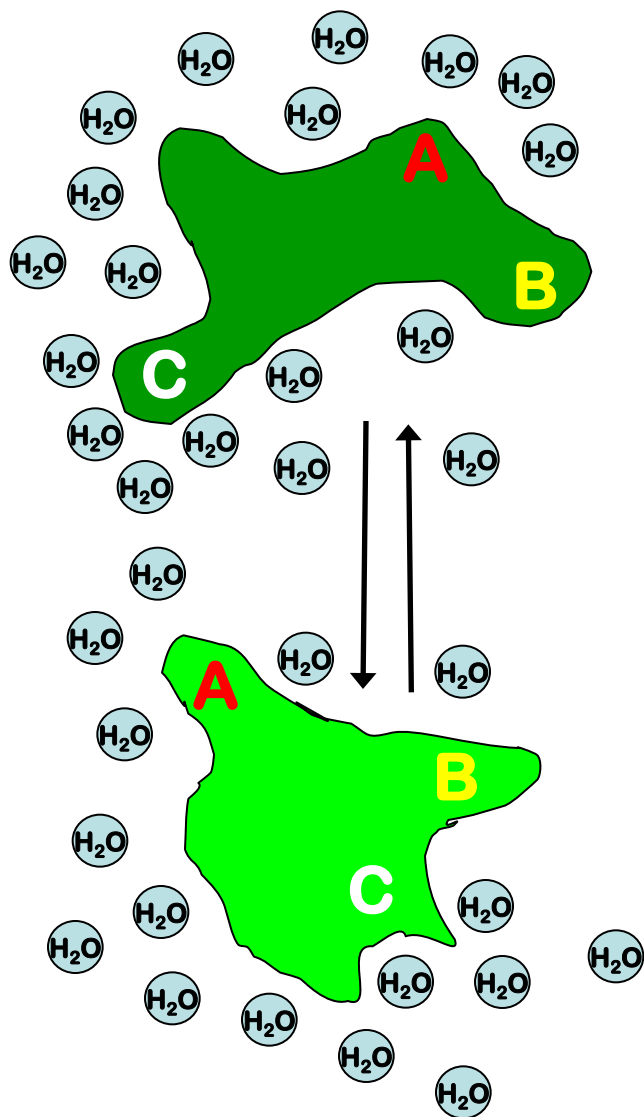
dipole-dipole interaction (van der Waals):

	(kcal/mol)
$-\Delta G^0 \approx$	$5 \div 10$
$-\Delta G^0 \approx$	$1 \div 7$
$-\Delta G^0 \approx$	$8 \div 10$
$-\Delta G^0 \approx$	$1 \div 7$
$-\Delta G^0 \approx$	$1 \div 6$
$-\Delta G^0 \approx$	$1 \div 2$
$-\Delta G^0 \approx$	$0.5 \div 1$



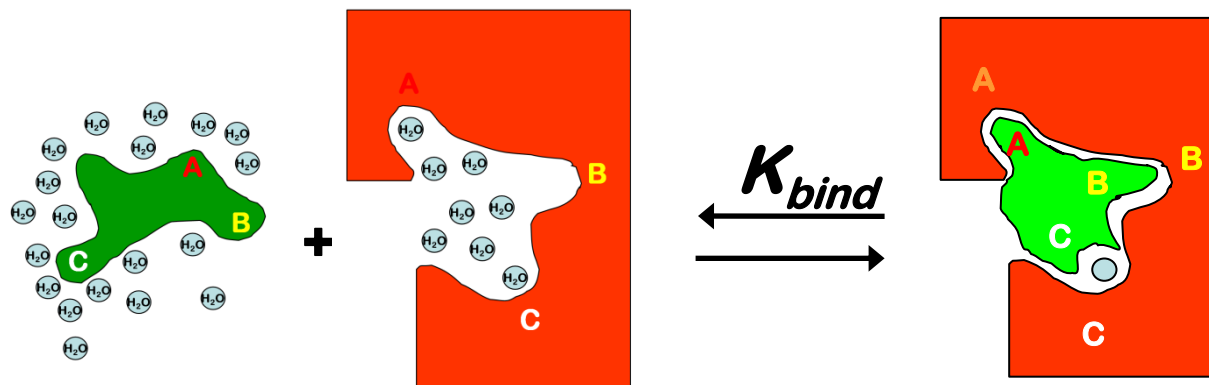
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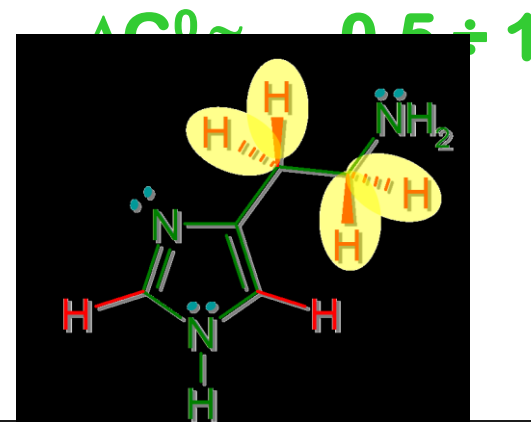


The only interaction that are always able to shift the equilibrium to the right are those vdW.

Even if:

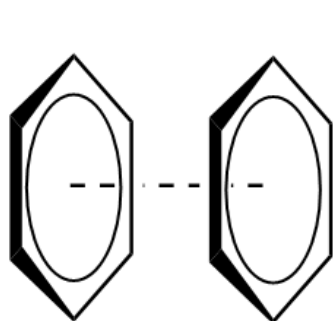
dipole-dipole interaction (van der Waals):

remember that the unity is strength!



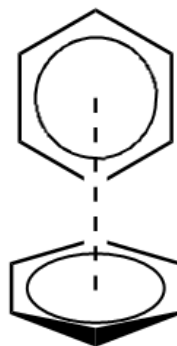


The mystery of π - π interactions:

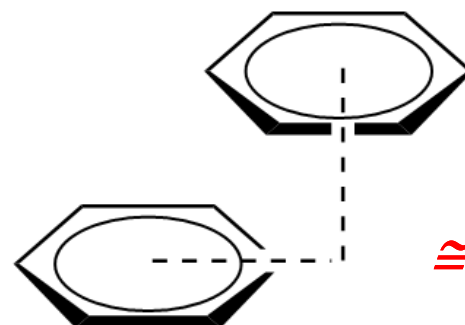


Sandwich

$\cong -1.5 \text{ kcal/mol}$



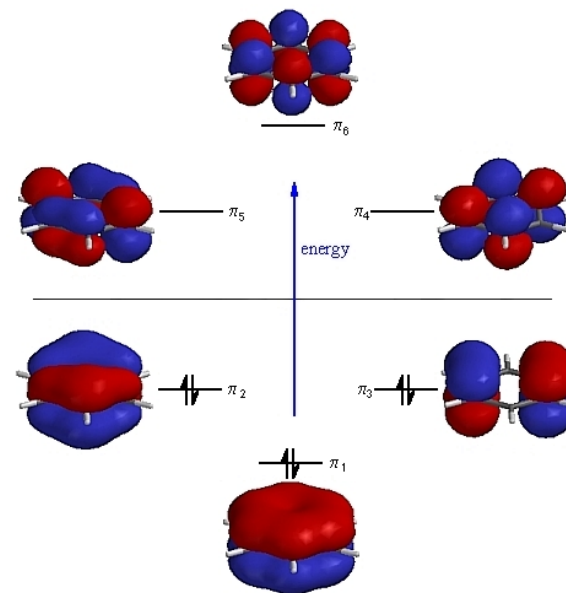
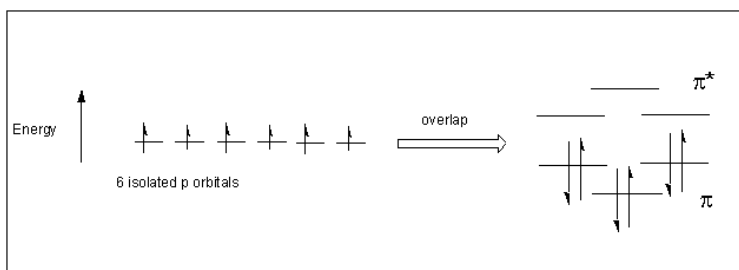
T-shaped



Parallel-dispaced

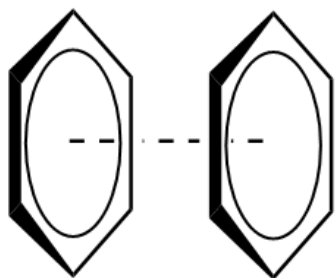
$\cong 4.9 \text{ \AA}$

$\cong -2.5 \text{ kcal/mol}$



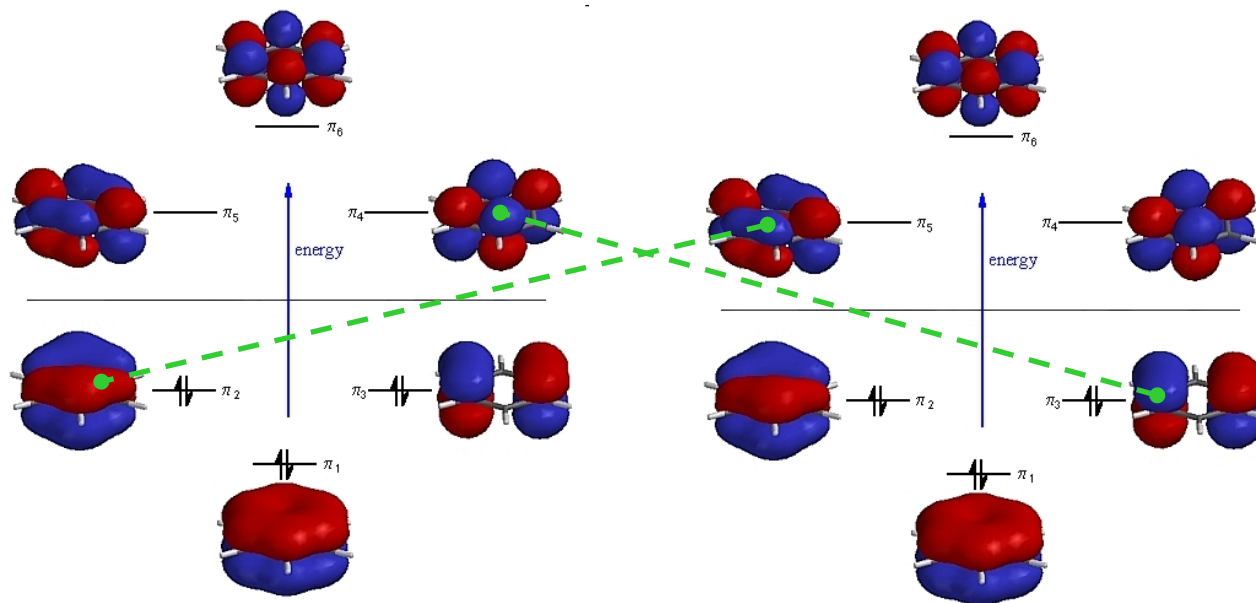


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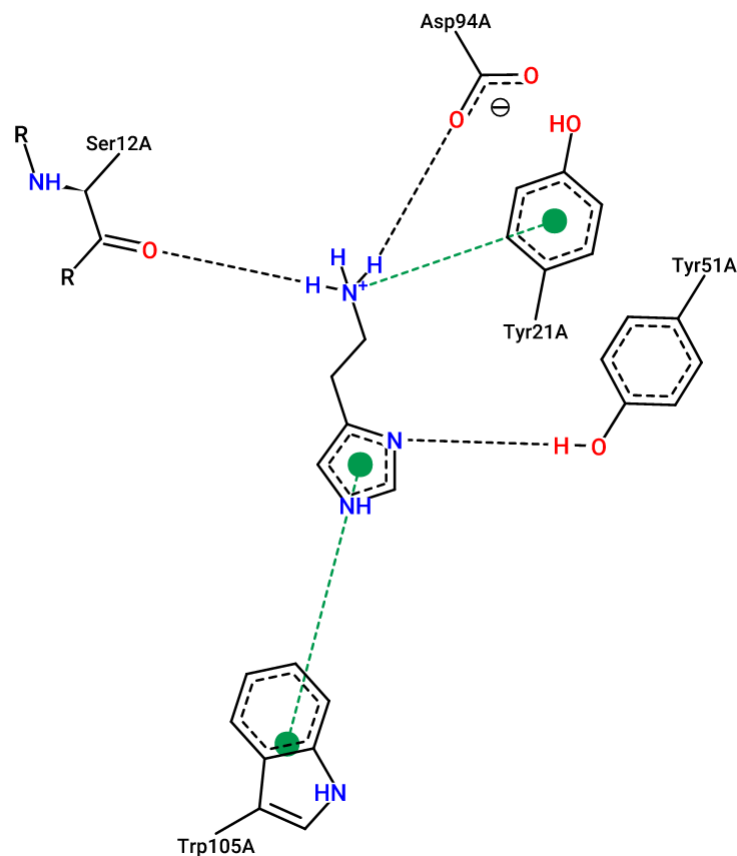
$\cong -1.5$ kcal/mol



Not only electrostatic moves the molecular world!!



from structure to interaction ..



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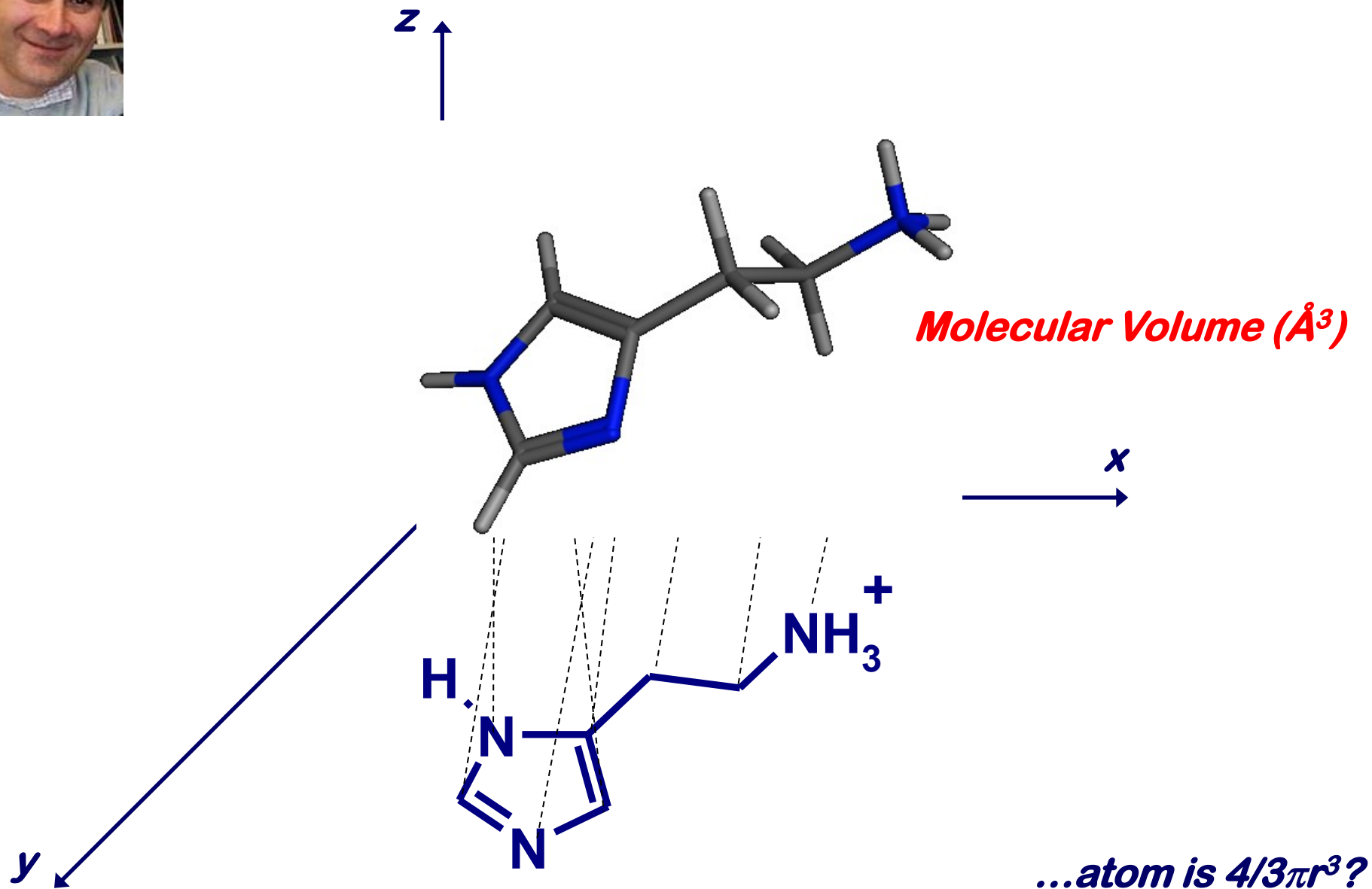
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... a super paper!!!



the shadow of the reality:





A quick refresh... atoms present spherical shapes!

Element	radius (Å)
Hydrogen	1.20
Carbon	1.70
Nitrogen	1.55
Oxygen	1.52
Fluorine	1.47
Phosphorus	1.80
Sulfur	1.80
Chlorine	1.75
Copper	1.4

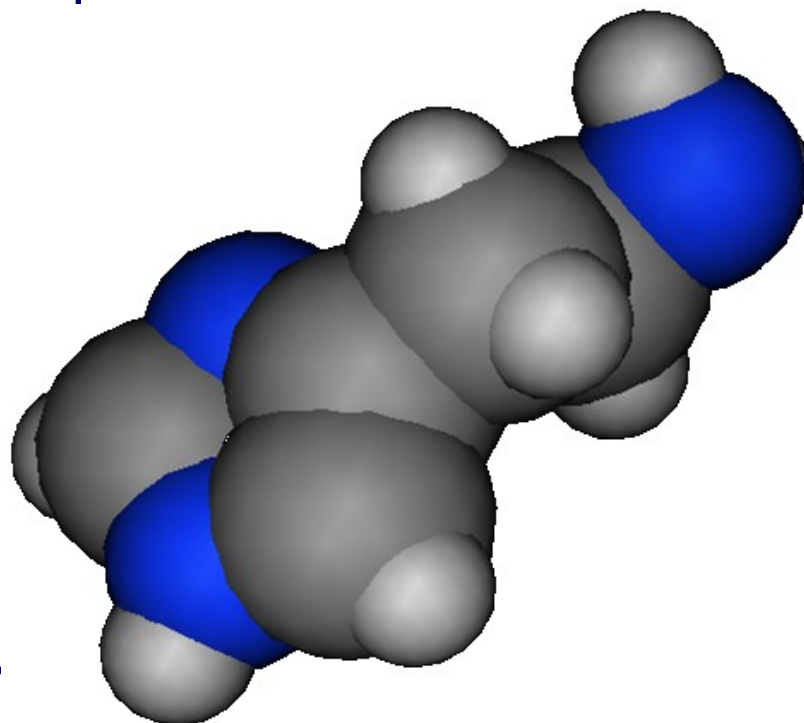
$$V_{vdW} = \frac{4}{3} \pi r_{vdW}^3$$

$$r_{vdW} = \sqrt[3]{V_{vdW} \frac{3}{4\pi}}$$



... e voilà!

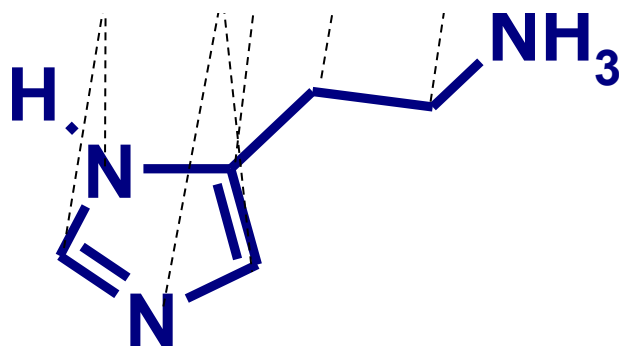
$z \uparrow$



Molecular Volume (\AA^3)

$x \rightarrow$

$y \swarrow$



...atom is $4/3\pi r^3$?



At this point measure the molecular size is easy...



Verloop A., Hoogenstraaten W., Tipker J. "Development and application of new steric substituent parameters in drug design." In Drug Design (Ed. Ariëns), vol. 7, pp.165-207 (1976), New York: Academic Press.

My favorite example:



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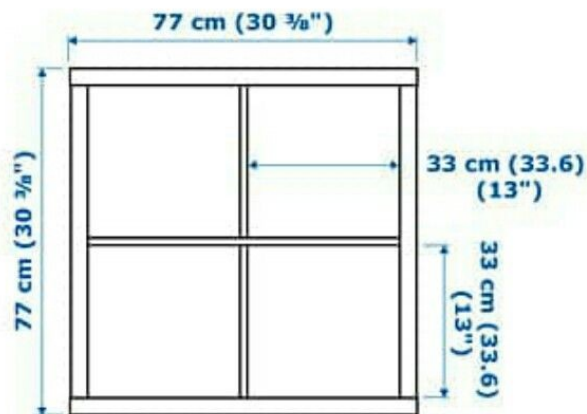
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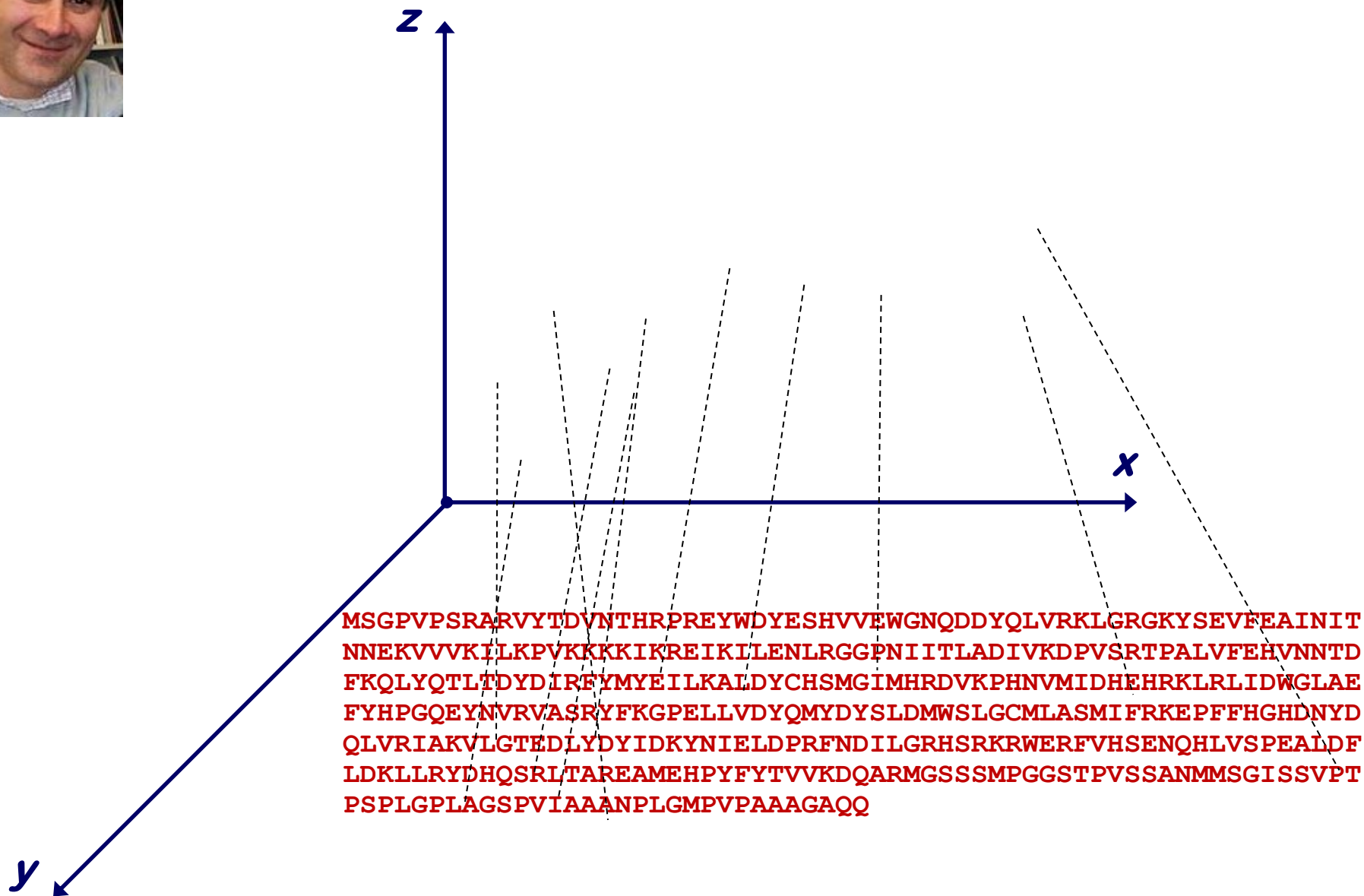
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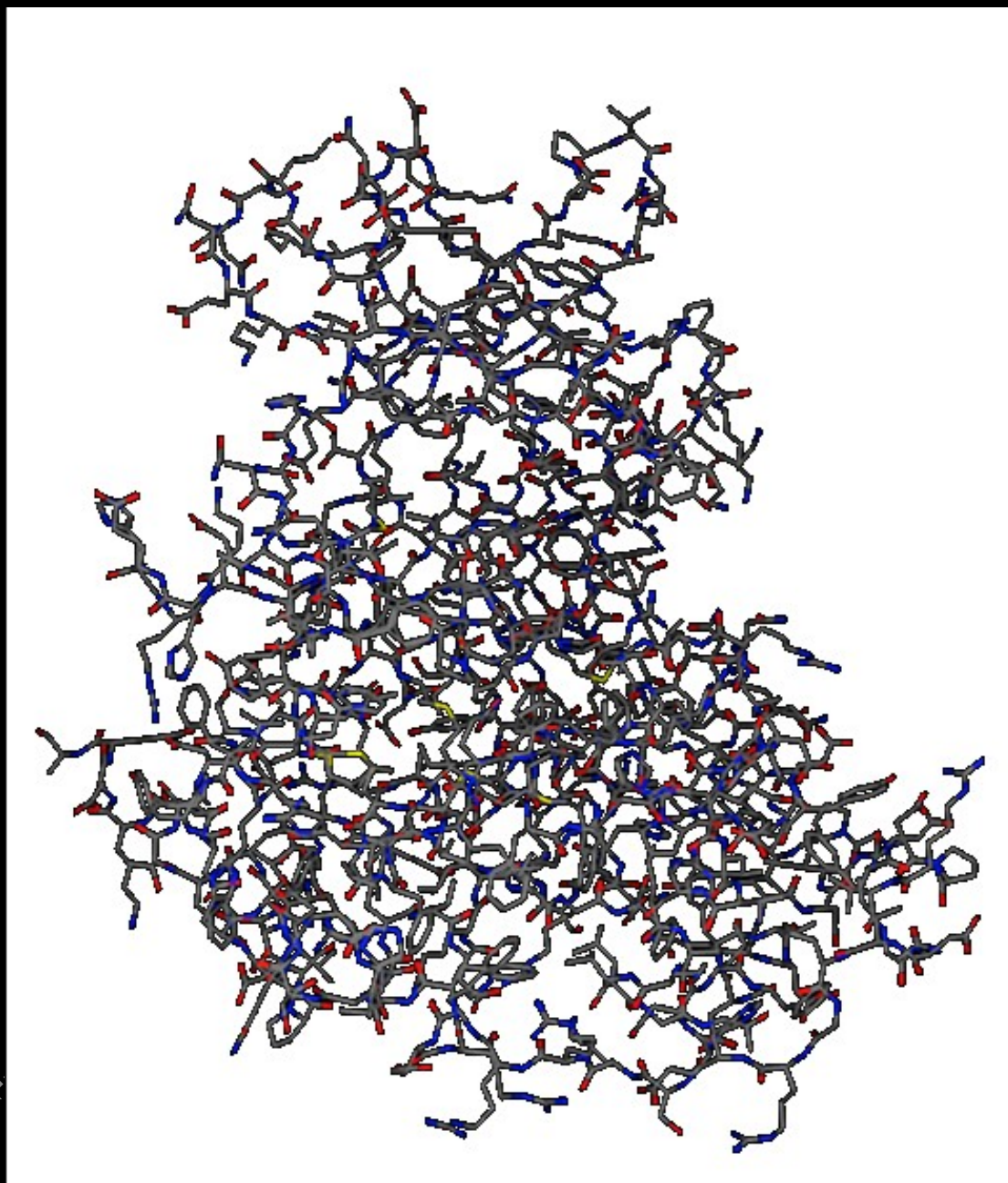


... and what about a protein?





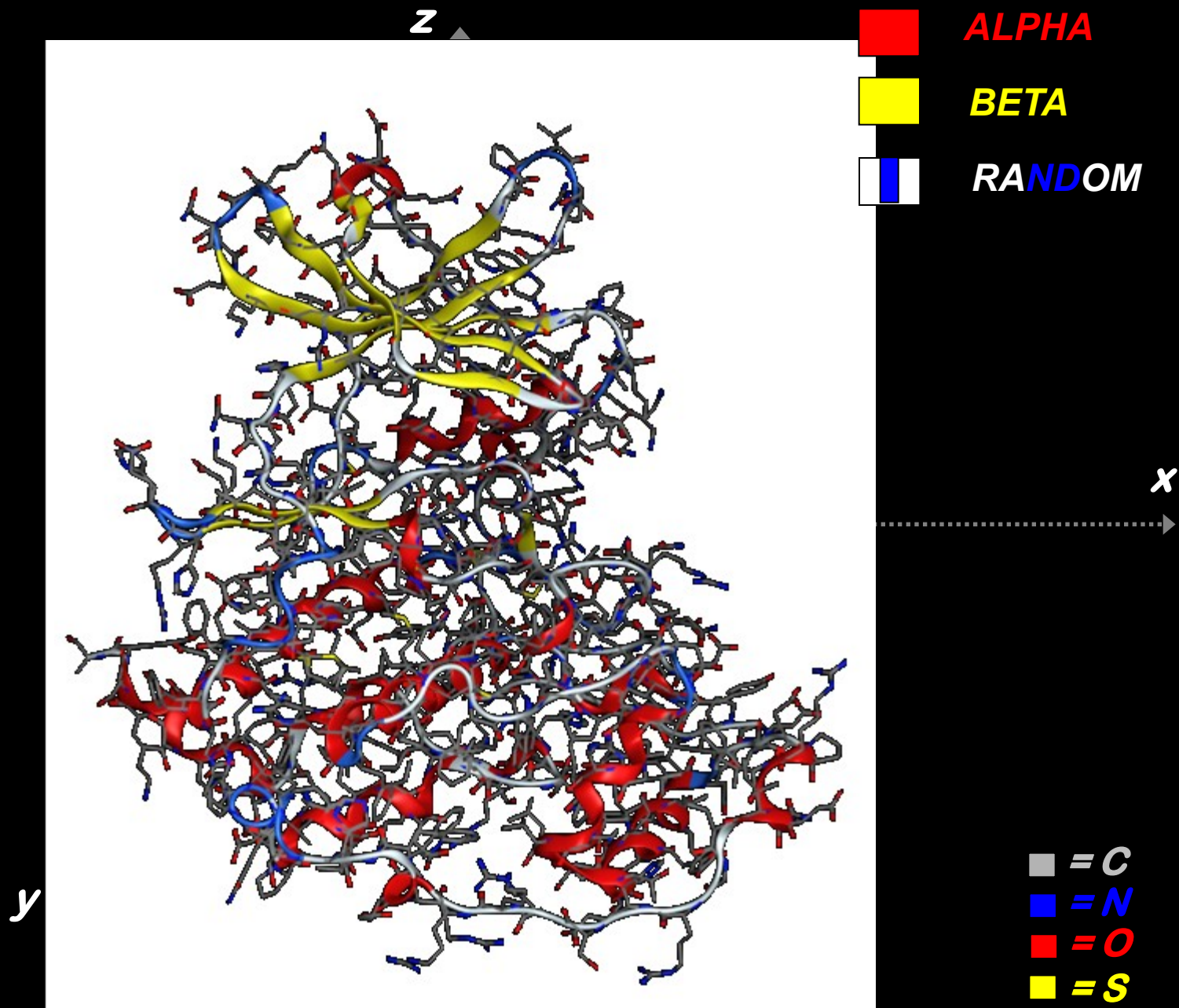
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(x, y, z)

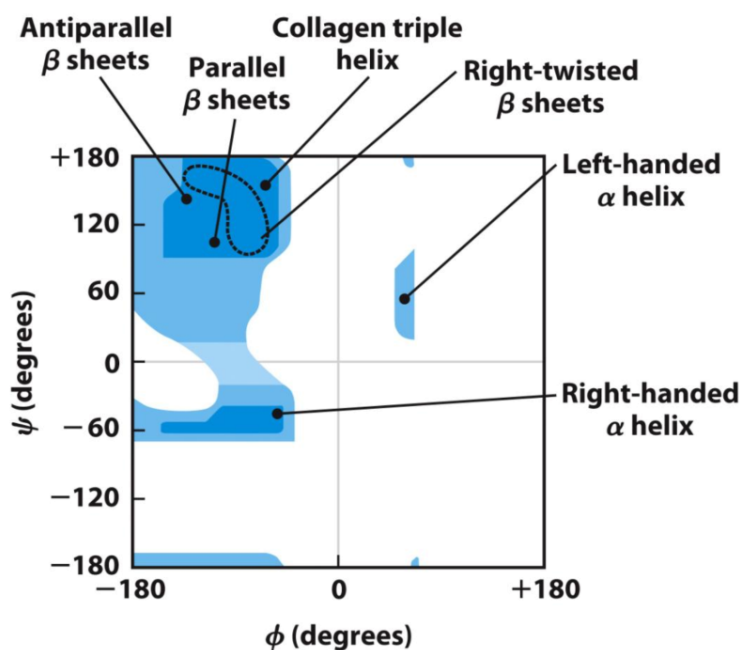
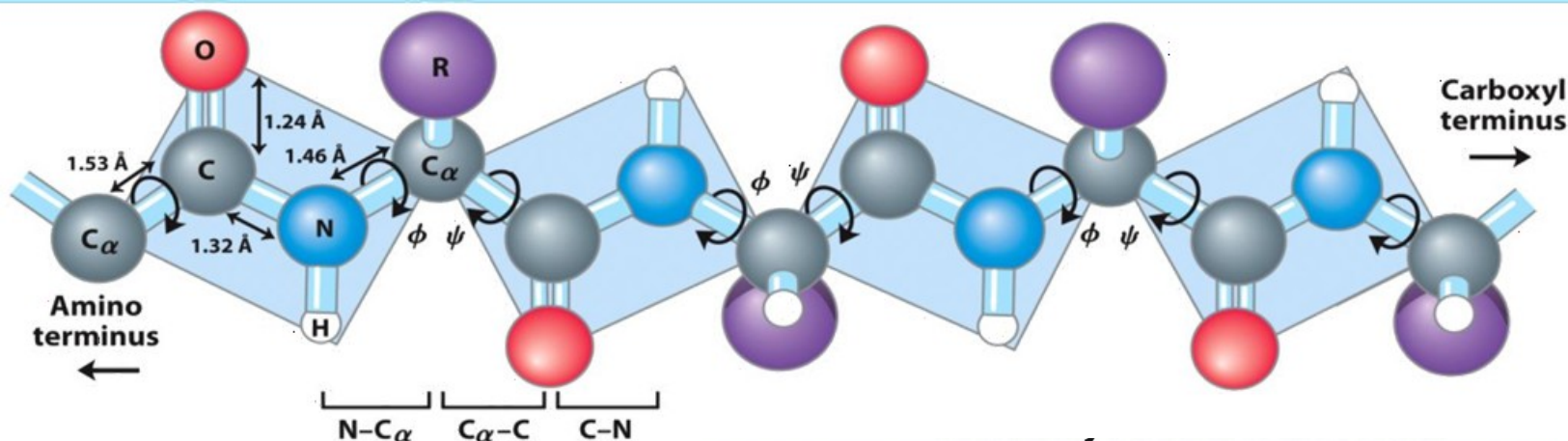
x

- = C
- = N
- = O
- = S





There are some interesting geometrical regularity inside our polymer:



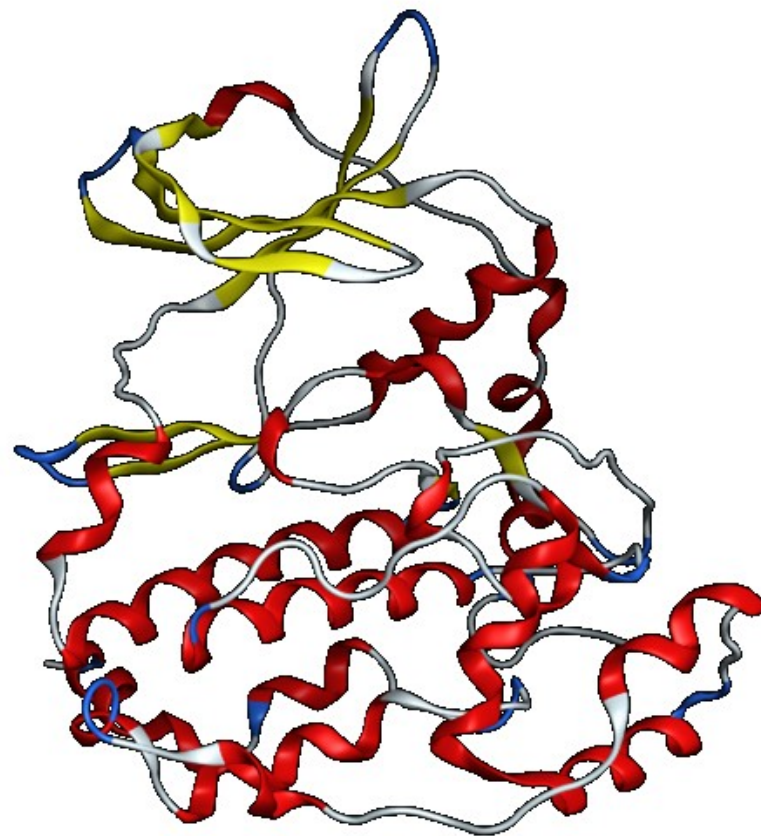
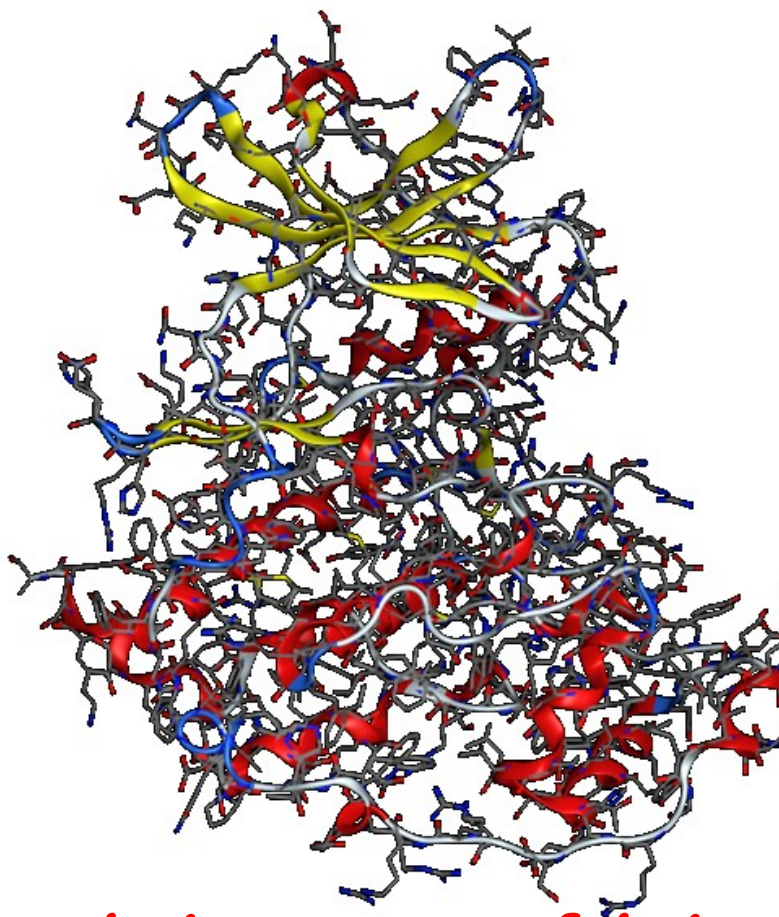
Structure	ϕ	ψ
α Helix	-57°	-47°
β Conformation		
Antiparallel	-139°	$+135^\circ$
Parallel	-119°	$+113^\circ$
Collagen triple helix	-51°	$+153^\circ$
β Turn type I		
$i + 1^*$	-60°	-30°
$i + 2^*$	-90°	0°
β Turn type II		
$i + 1$	-60°	$+120^\circ$
$i + 2$	$+80^\circ$	0°

Note: In real proteins, the dihedral angles often vary somewhat from these idealized values.

*The $i+1$ and $i+2$ angles are those for the second and third amino acid residues in the β turn, respectively.



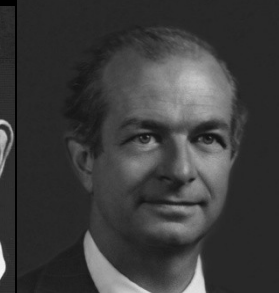
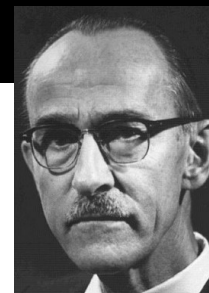
This is just a useful way to represent geometrical regularity of 3D coordinates and not the real shape of our protein!!!



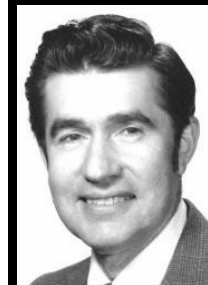
... but very useful to classified protein from a structural point of view!!!

CPK model:

z

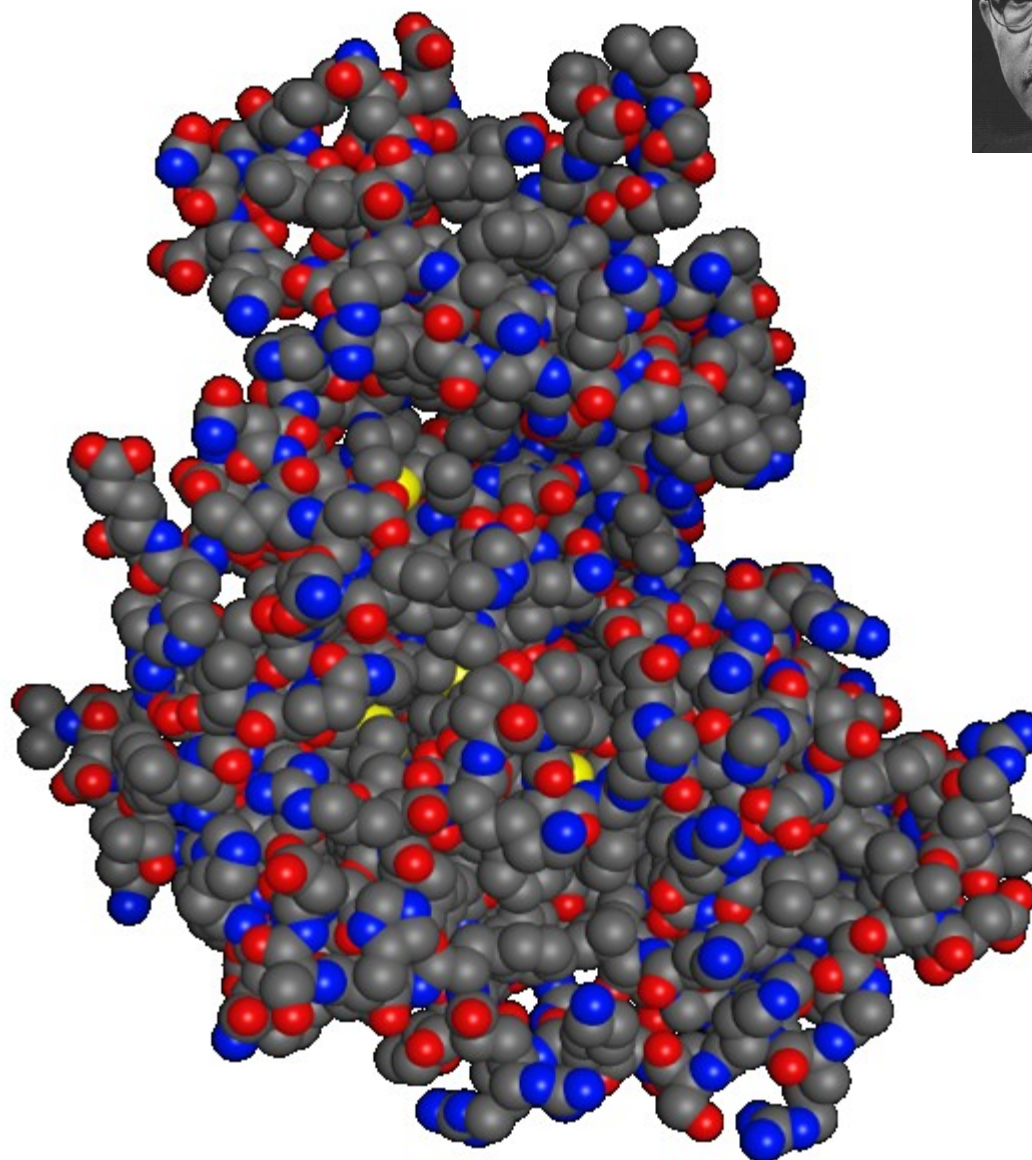


Robert Corey Linus Pauling



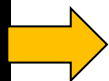
Walter Koltun

x

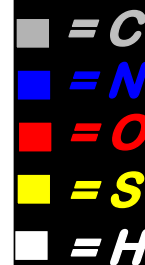
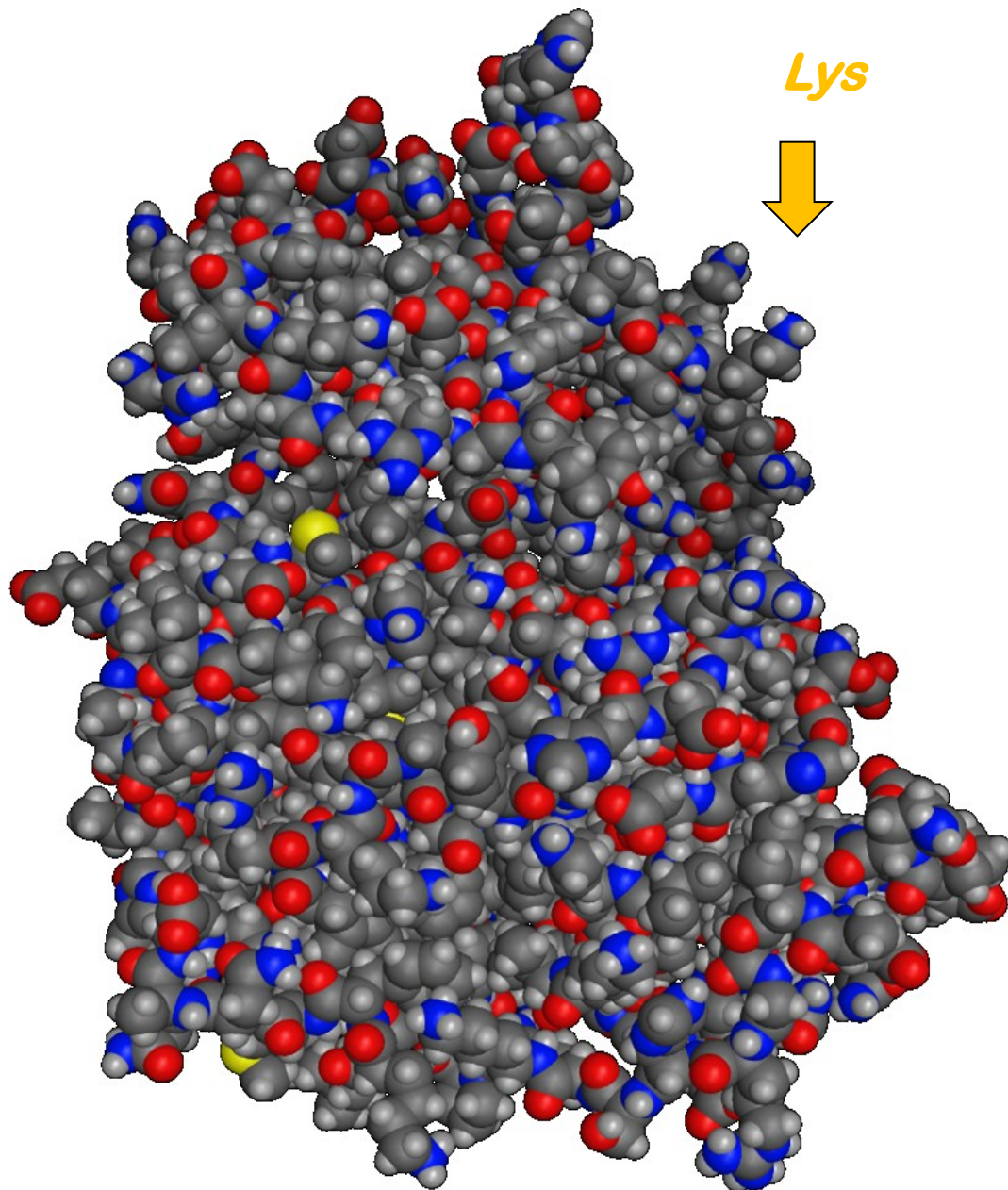


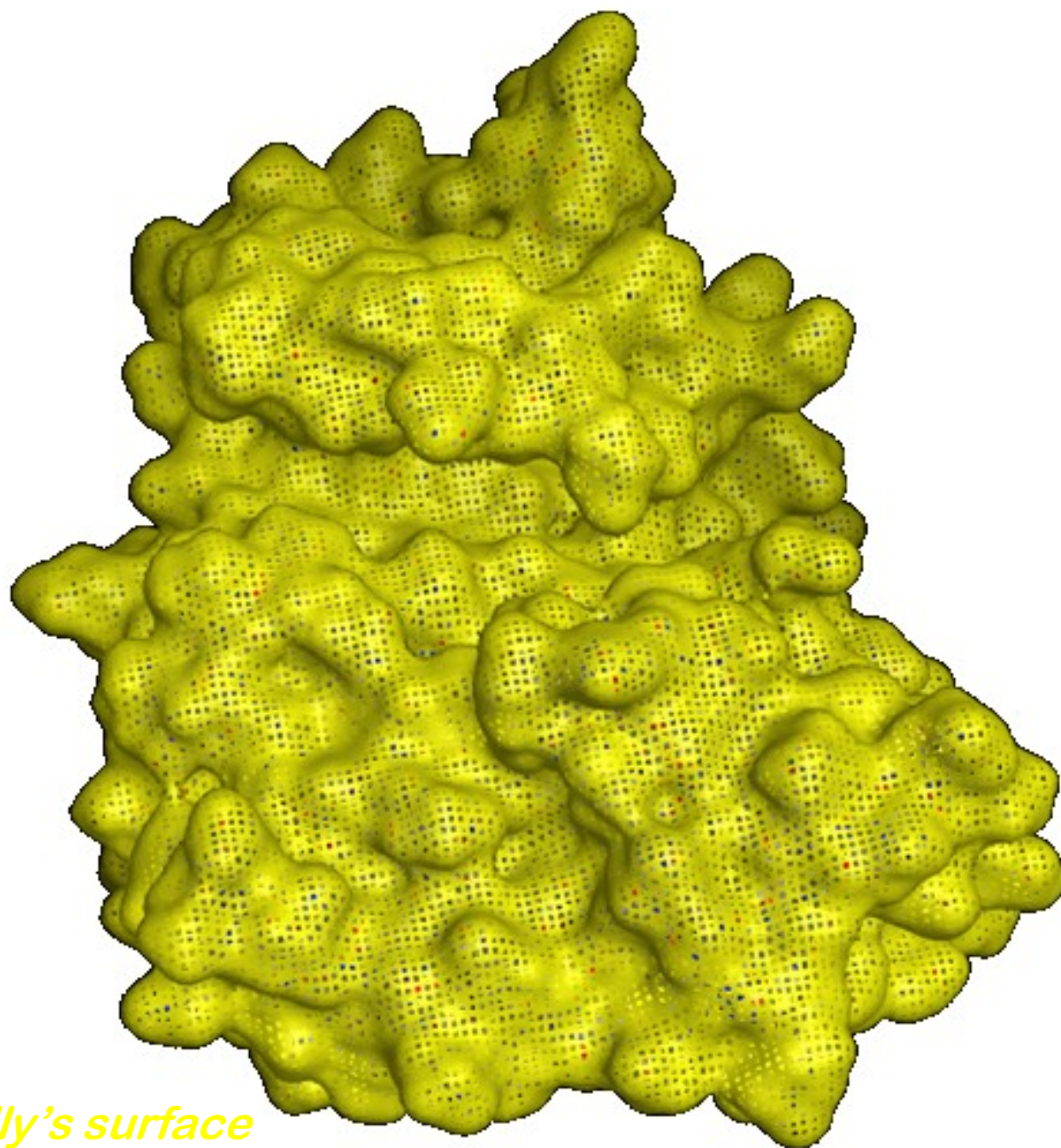


Glu



Lys

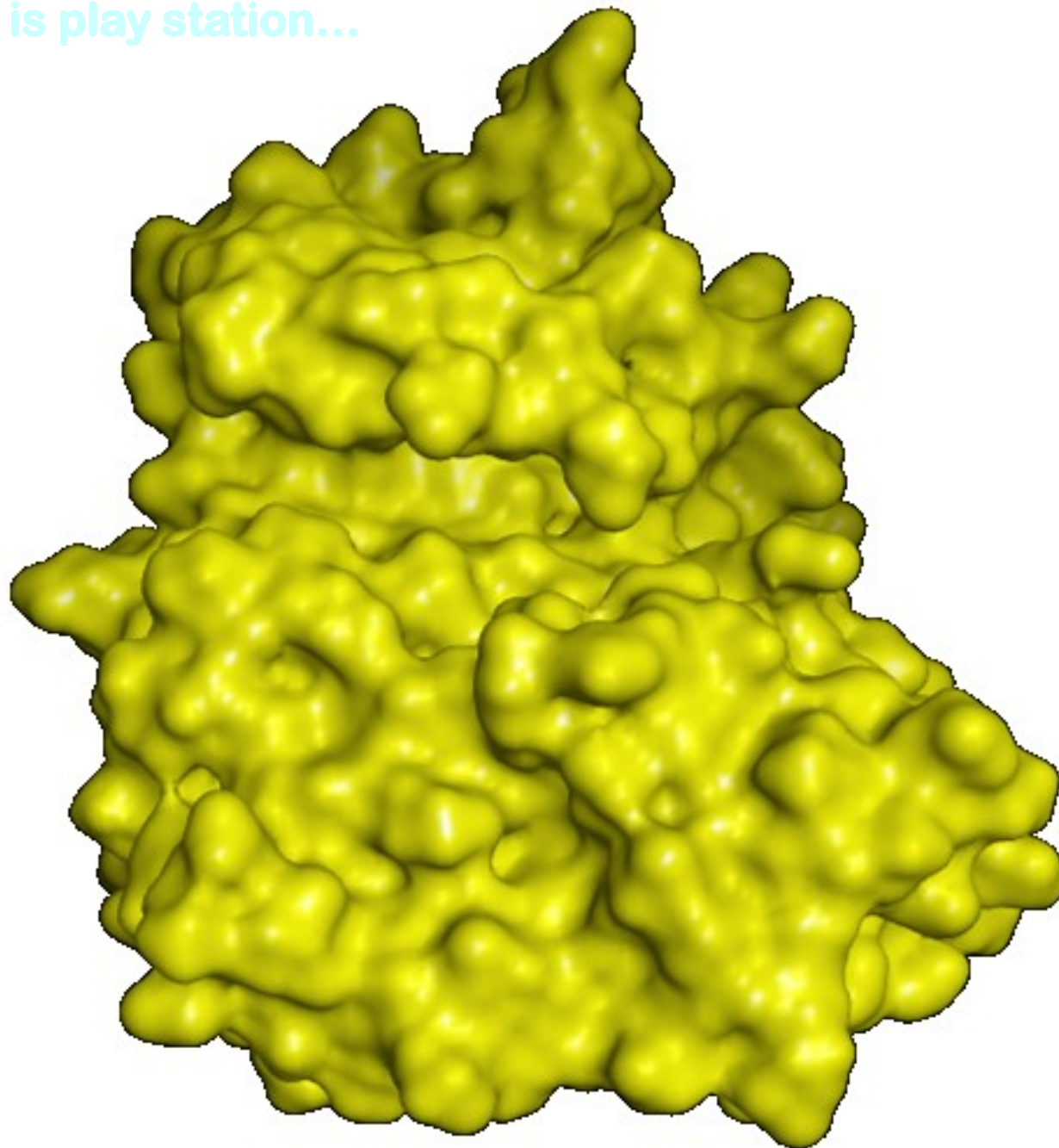




Connolly's surface



This is play station...



x

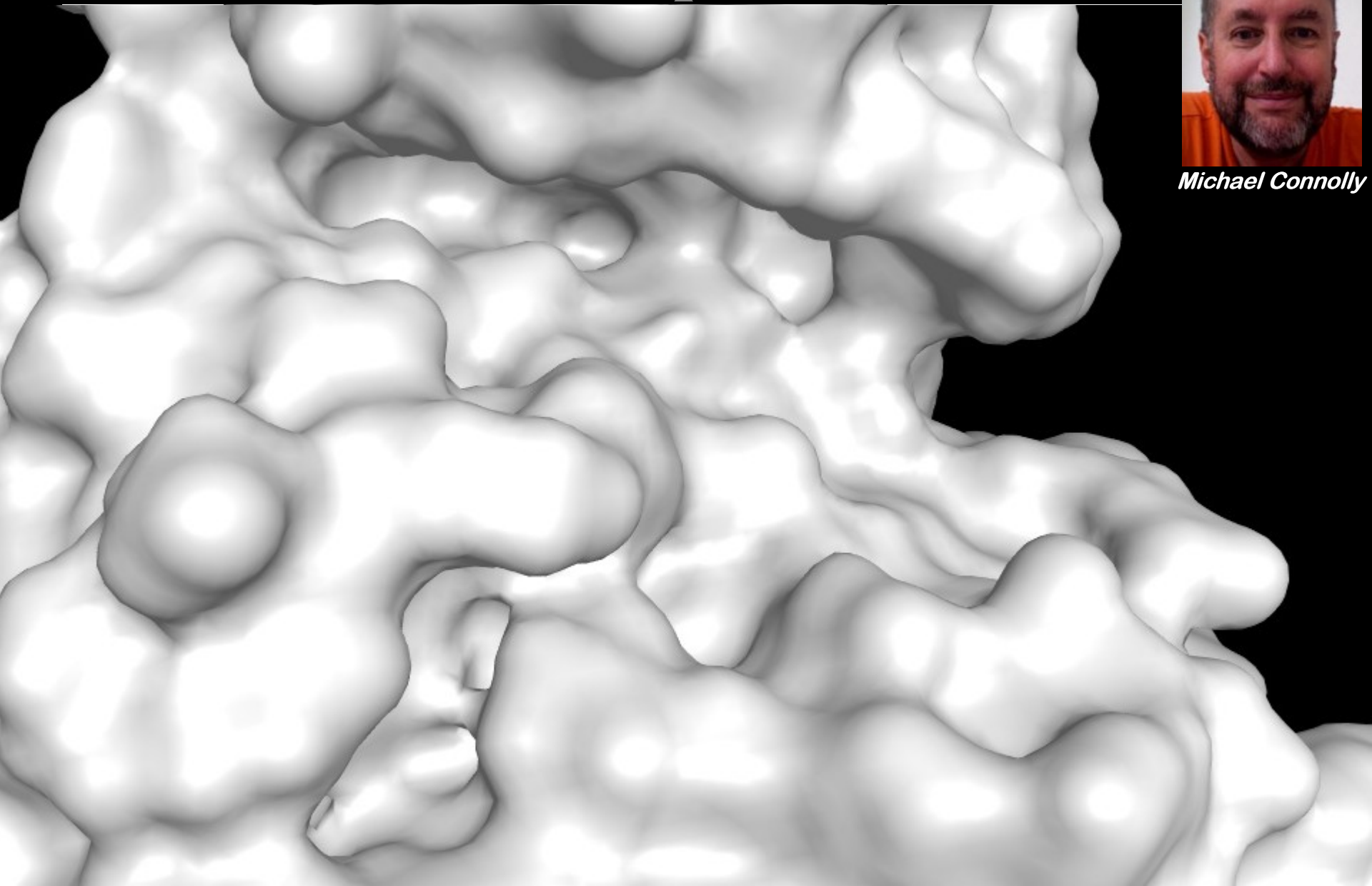


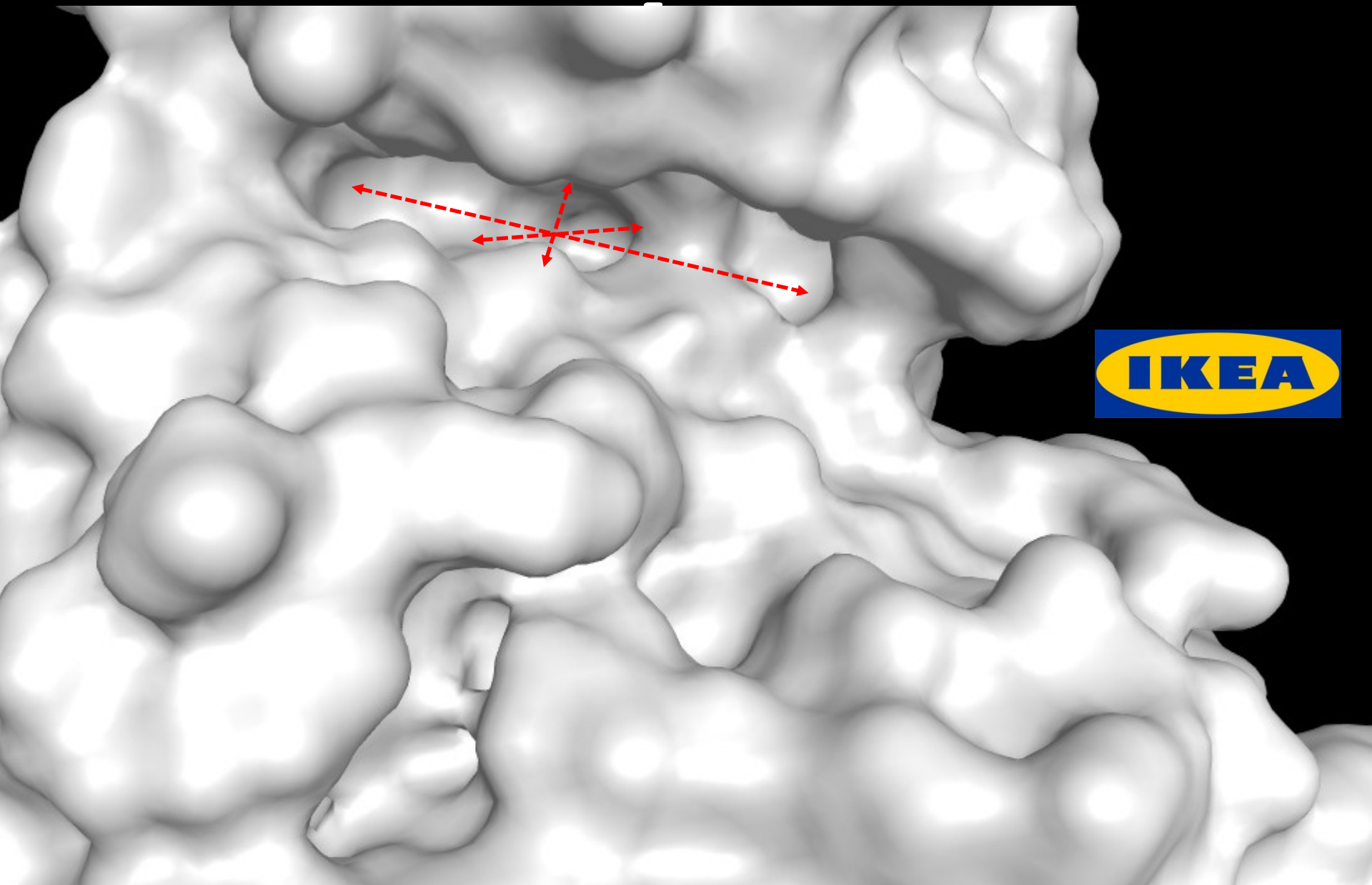
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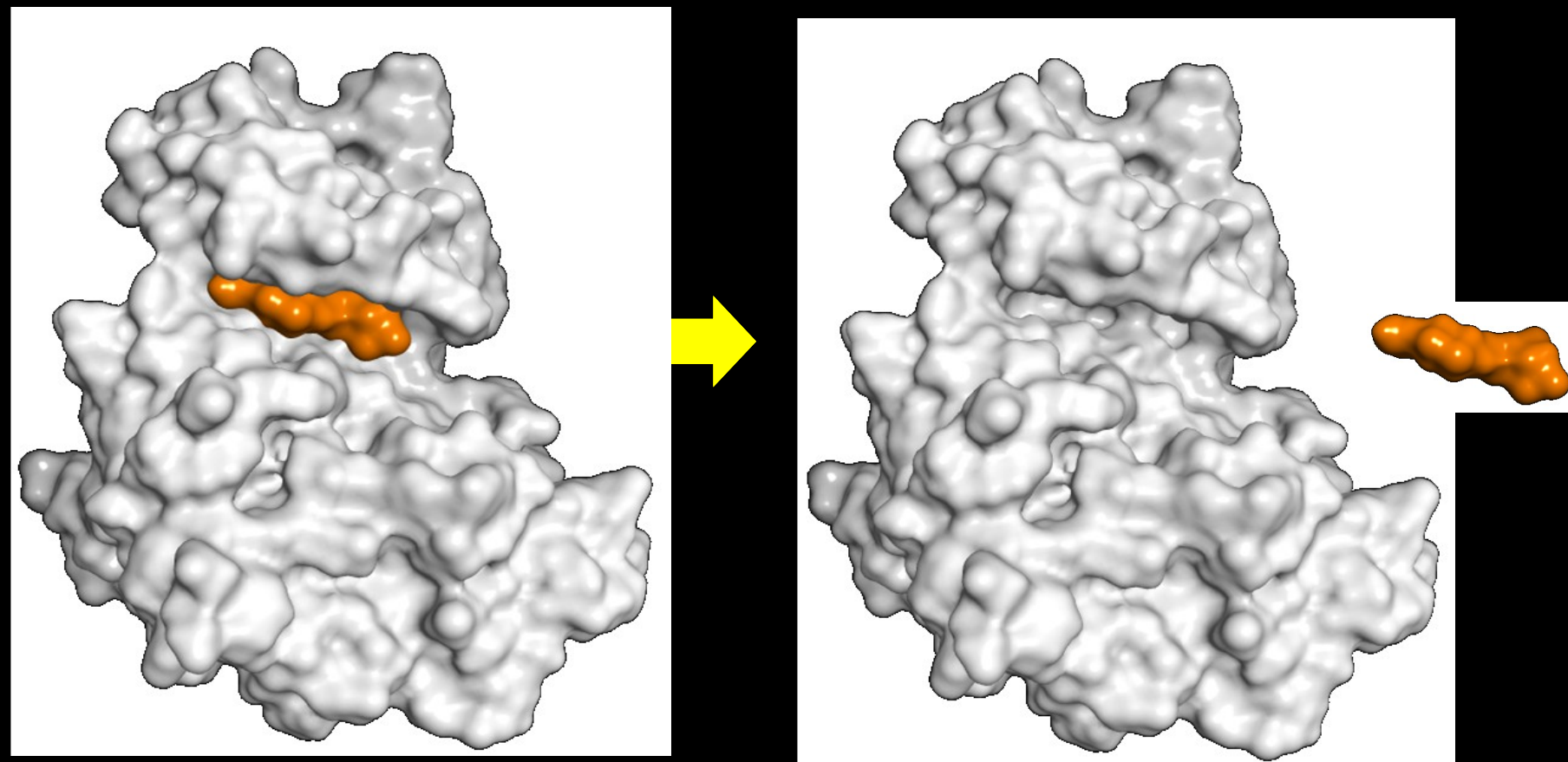
Michael Connolly







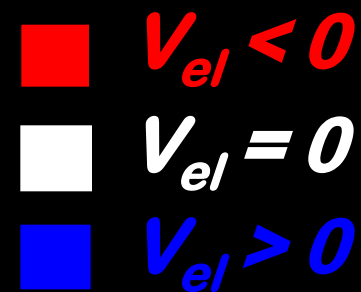
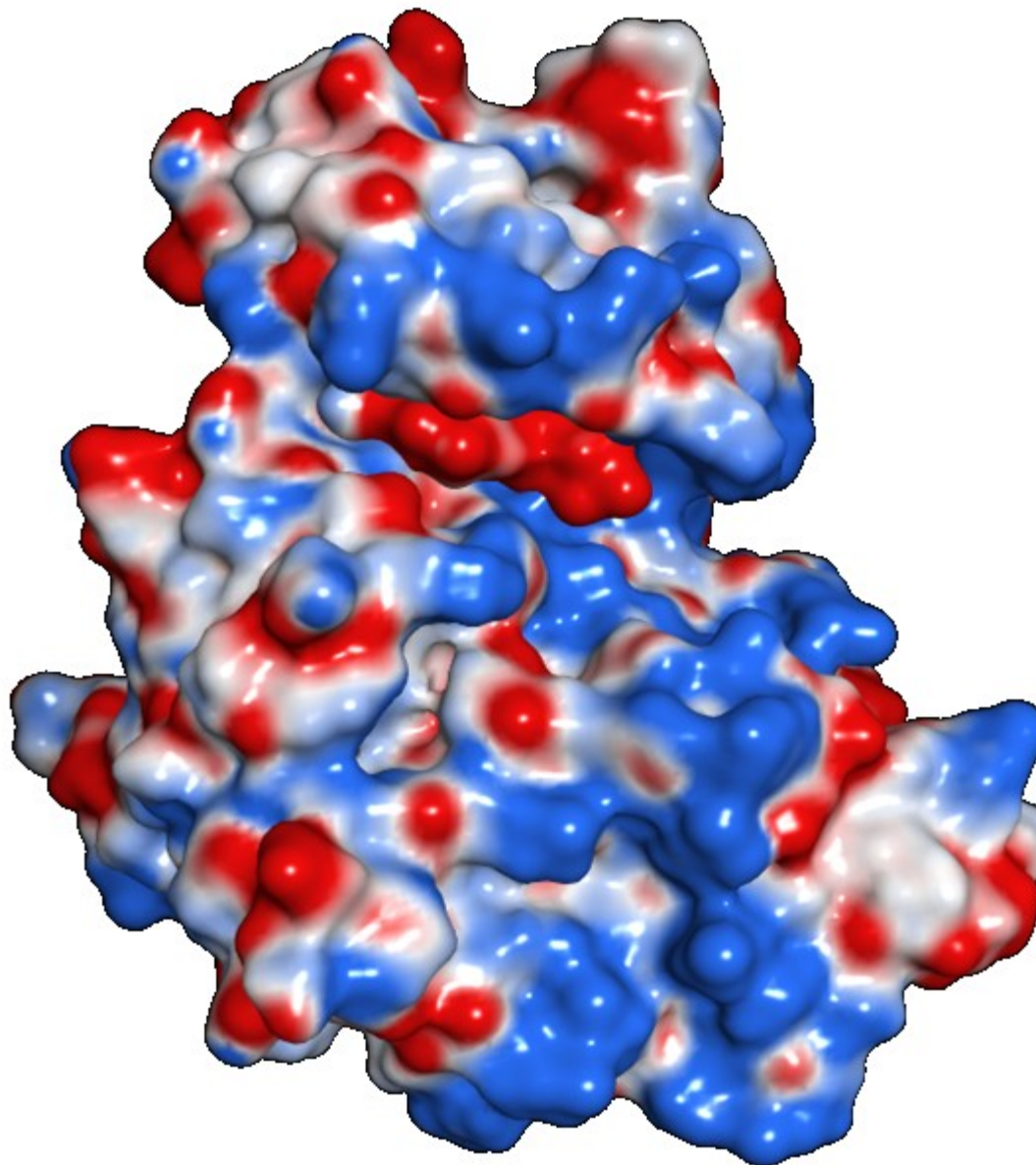
You have now a wonderful tool to estimate the topological complementarity between a cavity and its ligand:



$$\text{Complementarity} \propto Vol_{\text{cavity}} - Vol_{\text{ligand}}$$

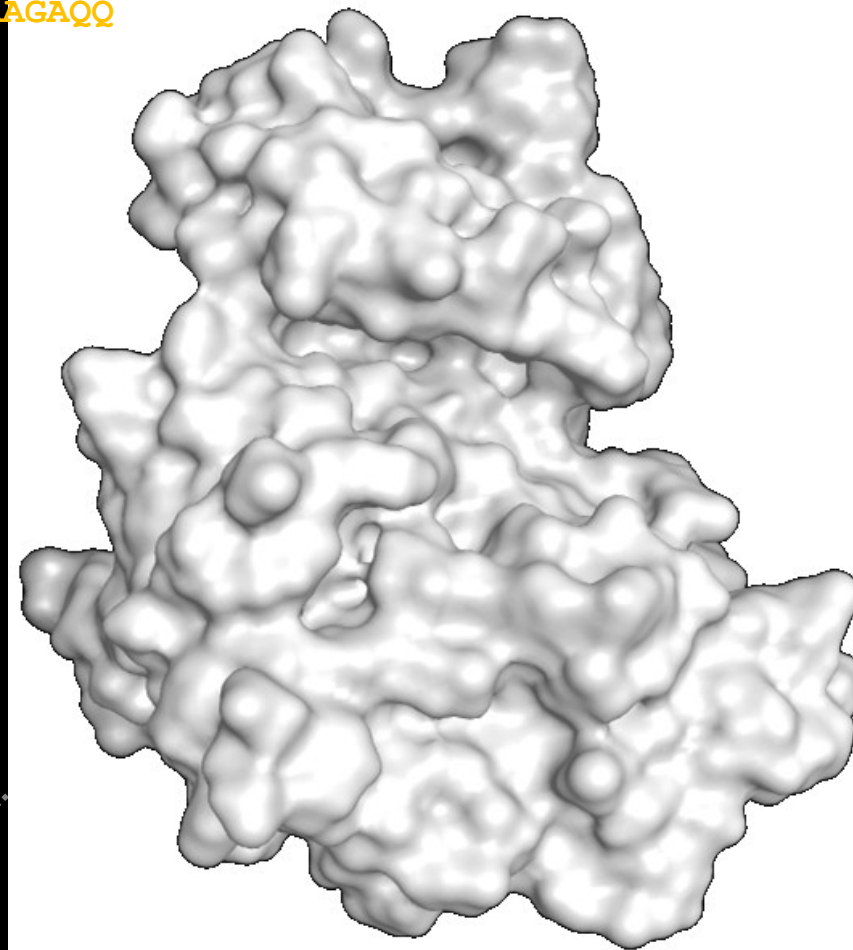


... very charming!





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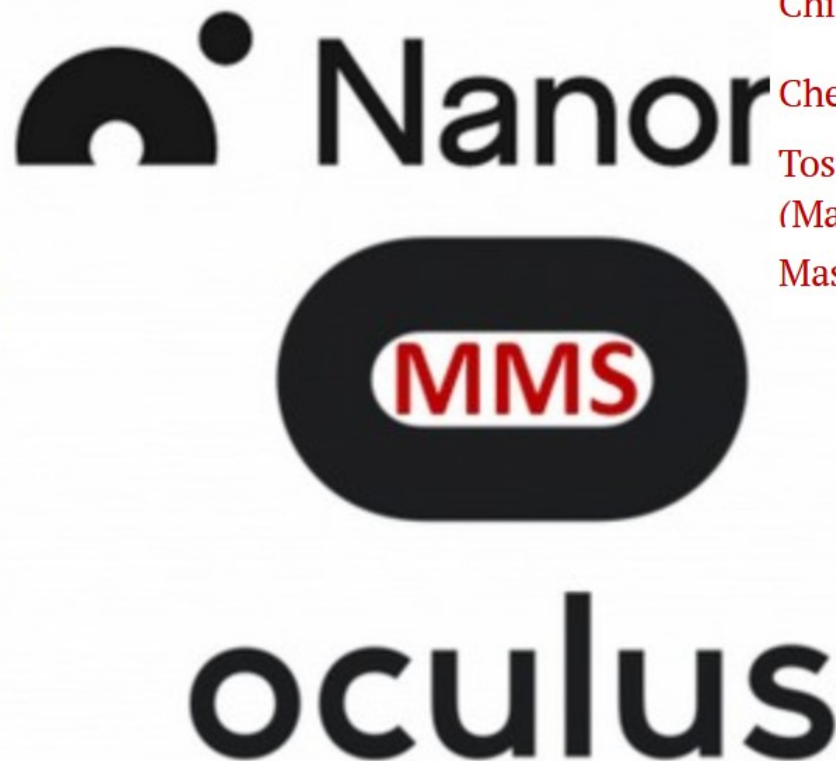
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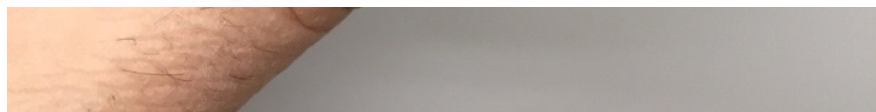
From sequence to topology... from topology to function



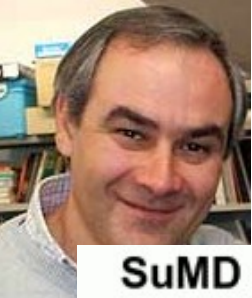
Here is my first favorite example of PD concept:



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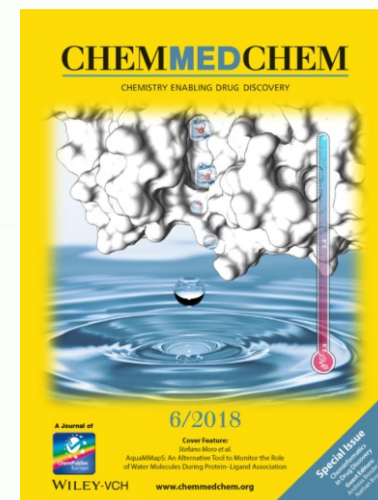
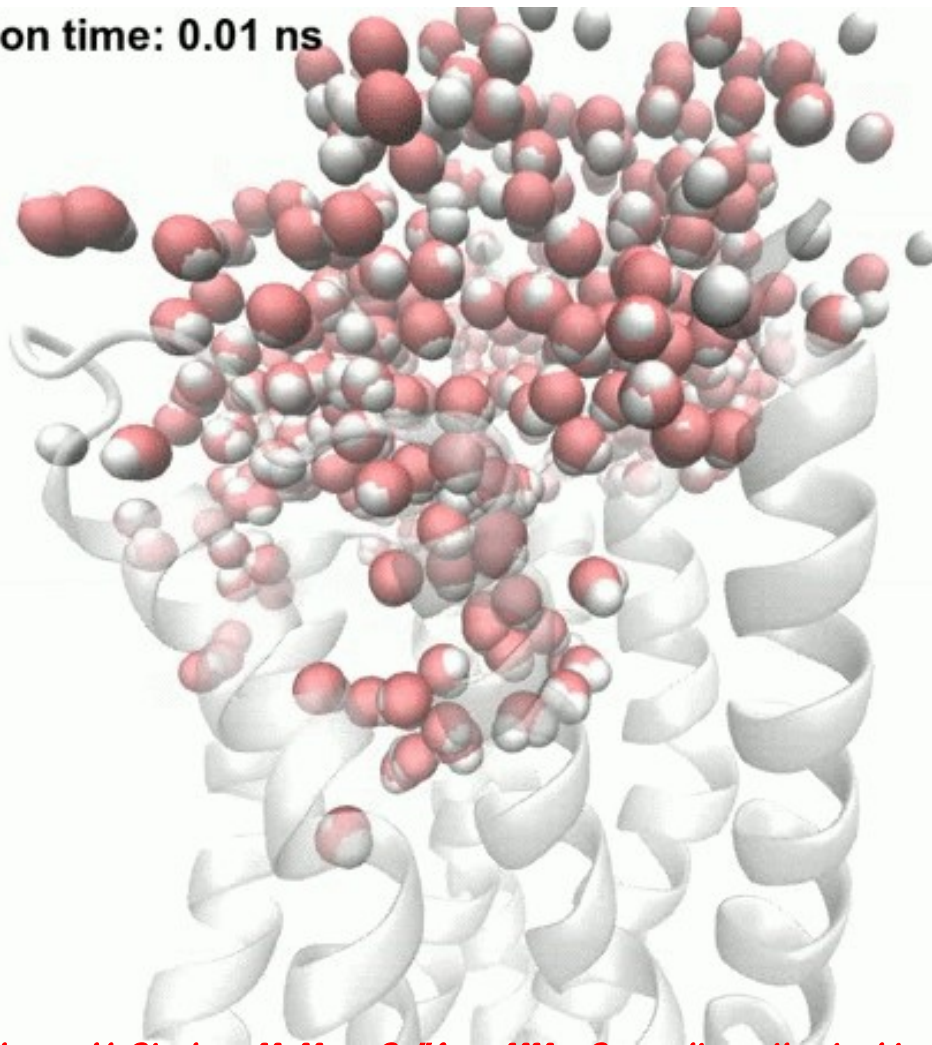


MMS Lab (2015): 3D printed model of the human A2A adenosine receptor co-crystallized its antagonist ZM 241385 (PDB entry: 4EIY)



... and with some of you in a couple of years:

SuMD simulation time: 0.01 ns

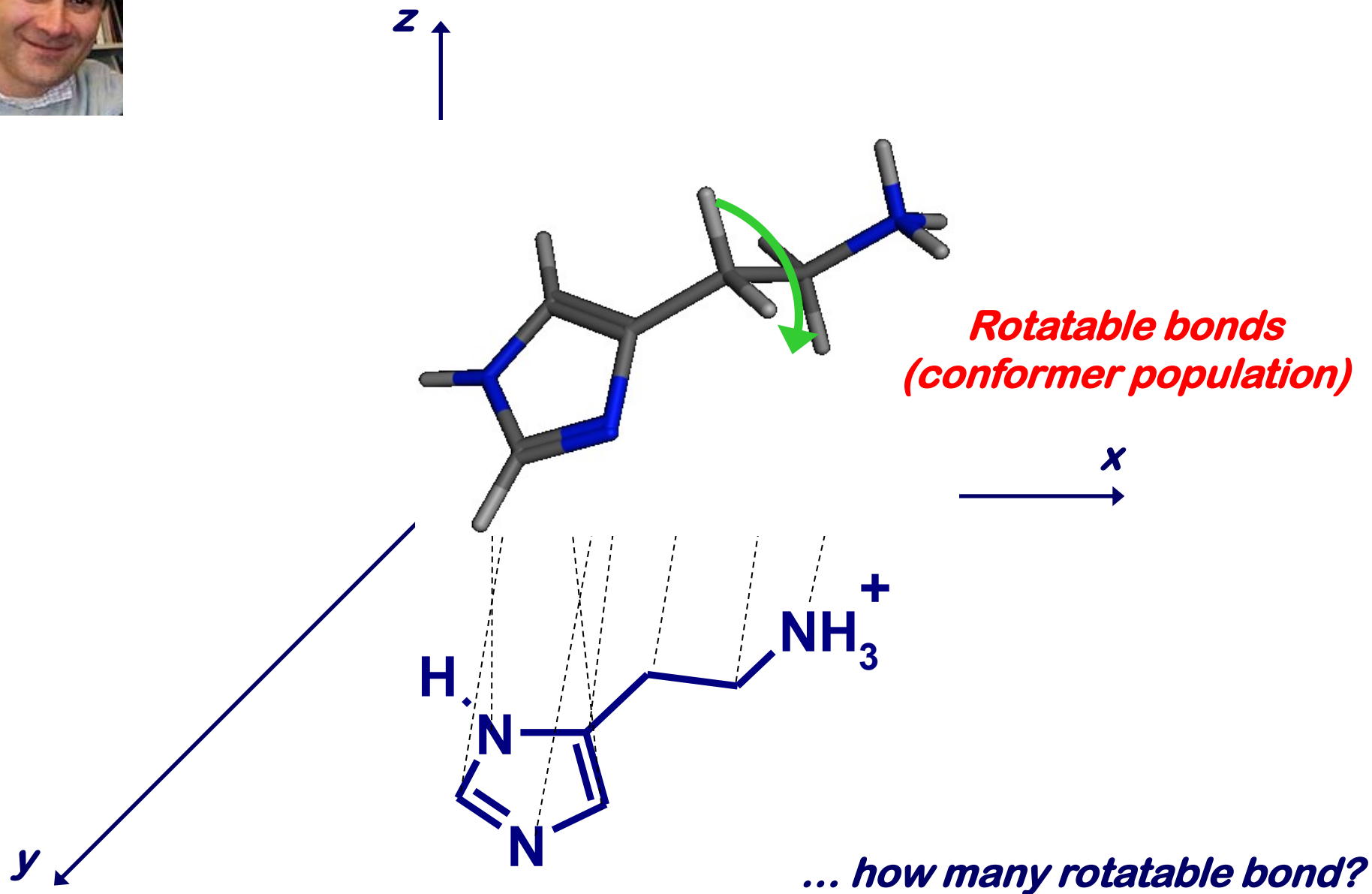


Cuzzolin A, Deganutti G, Salmaso V, Sturlese M, Moro S. "AquaMMapS: an alternative tool to monitor the role of water molecules during protein-ligand association." ChemMedChem. 1, 1-13 (2018)

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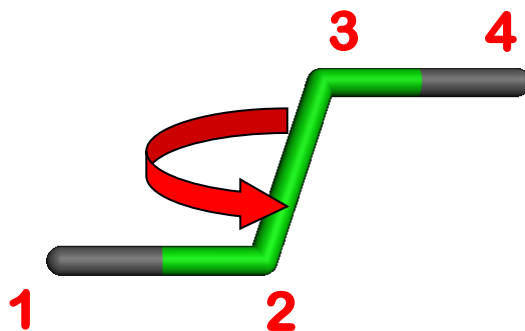
the shadow of the reality:





An easy way to determine *molecular rigidity*.

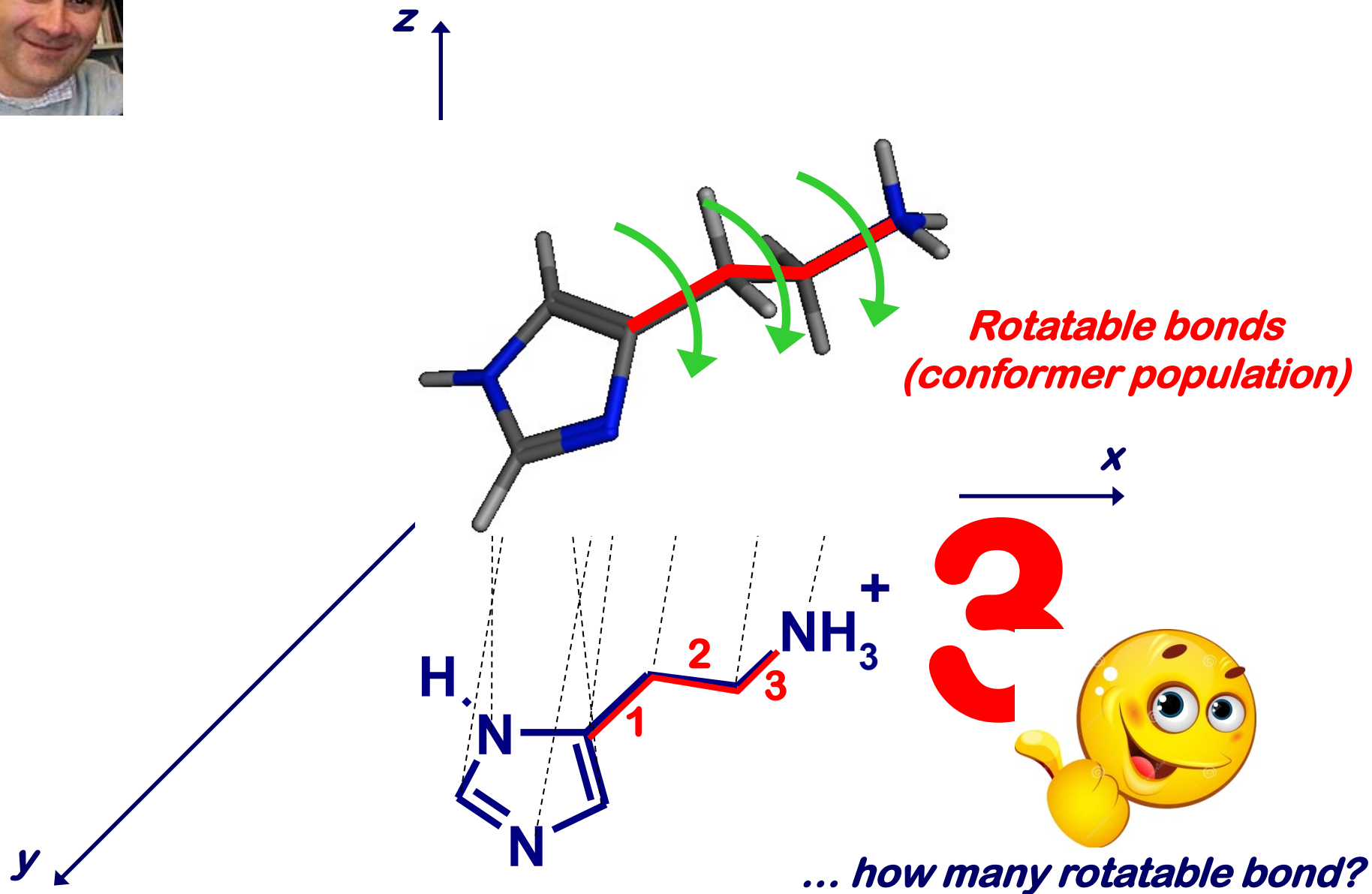
A **rotatable bond** is defined as any single non-ring bond, attached to a non-terminal, non-hydrogen atom. *Amide C-N bonds are not counted because of their high barrier to rotation.*



... and it is easily countable!!!



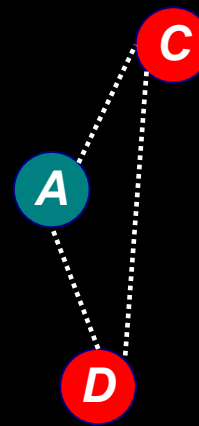
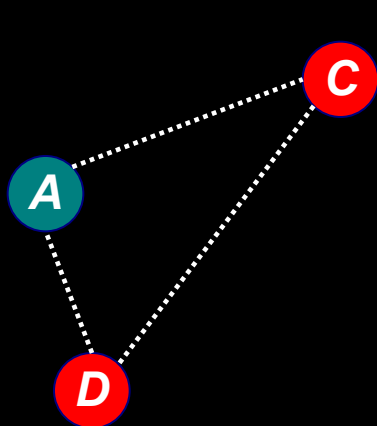
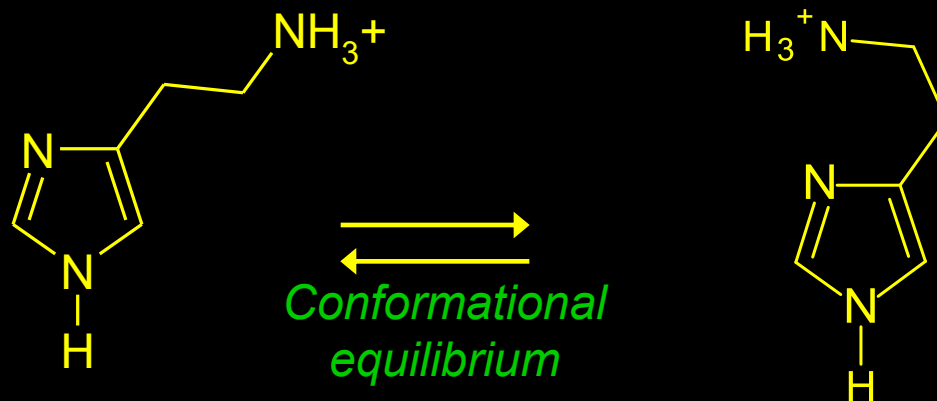
the shadow of the reality:



... how many rotatable bond?

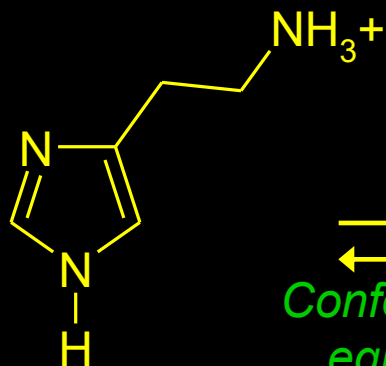
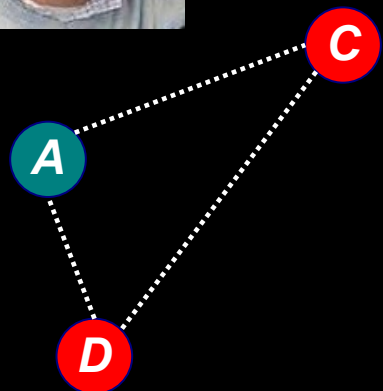


and this incredible consequence:

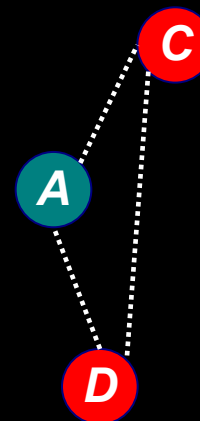
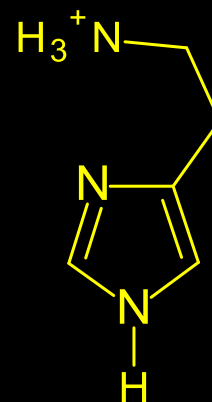




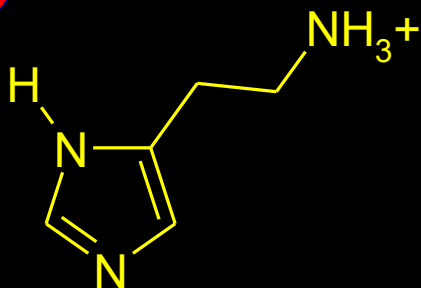
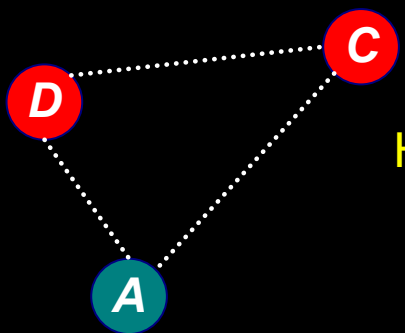
and the story is going on...



Conformational equilibrium



Tautomeric equilibrium





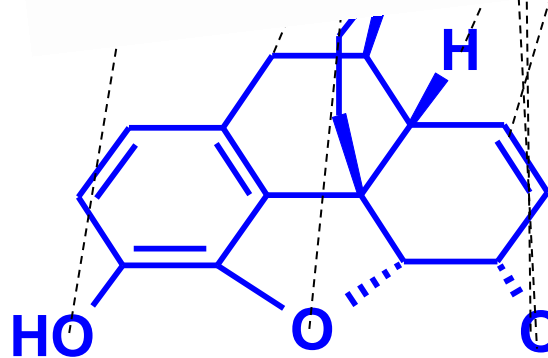
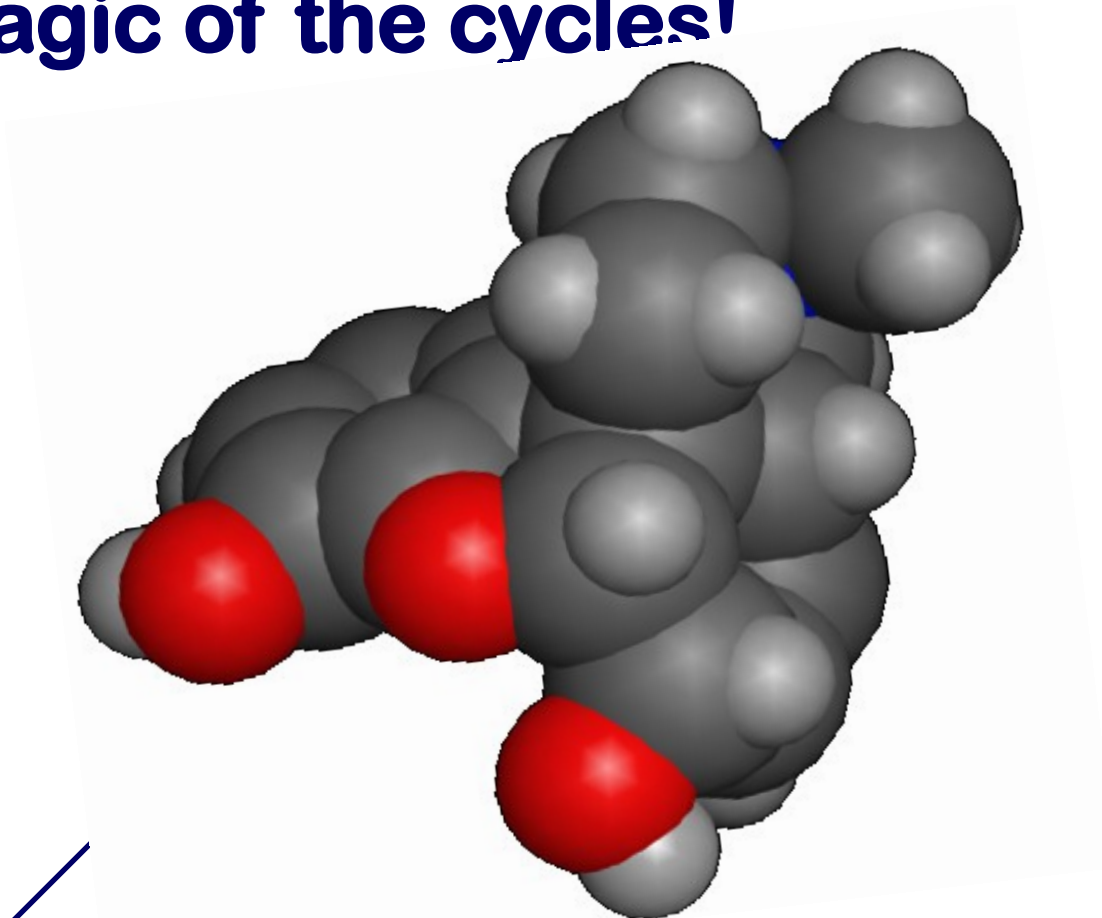
Do you remember these two concepts:

Stability *as a measure of the geometrical deformability of an object;*

Rigidity *as a measure of the reduction degree of the geometrical deformability of an object.*



the magic of the cycles!



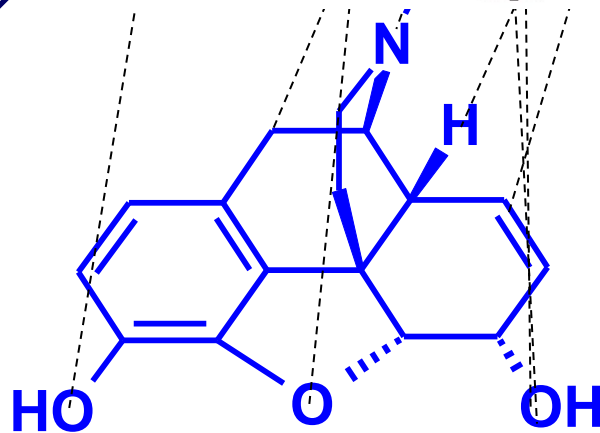
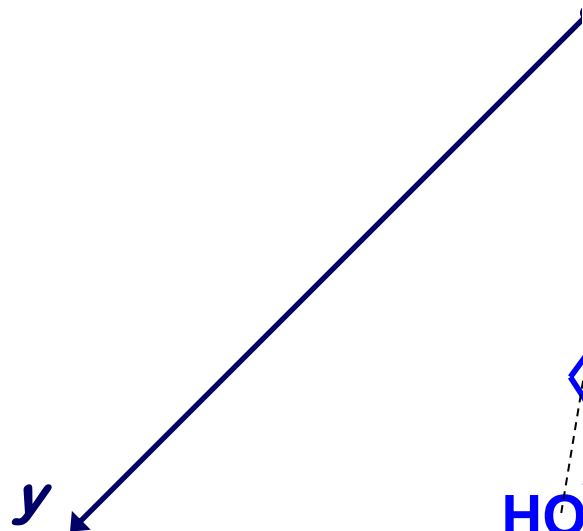
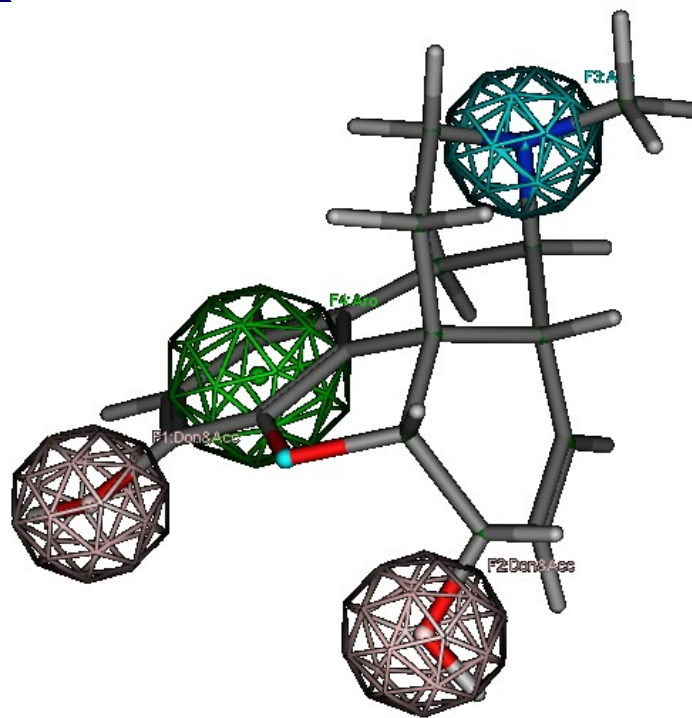
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... how many rotatable bond?



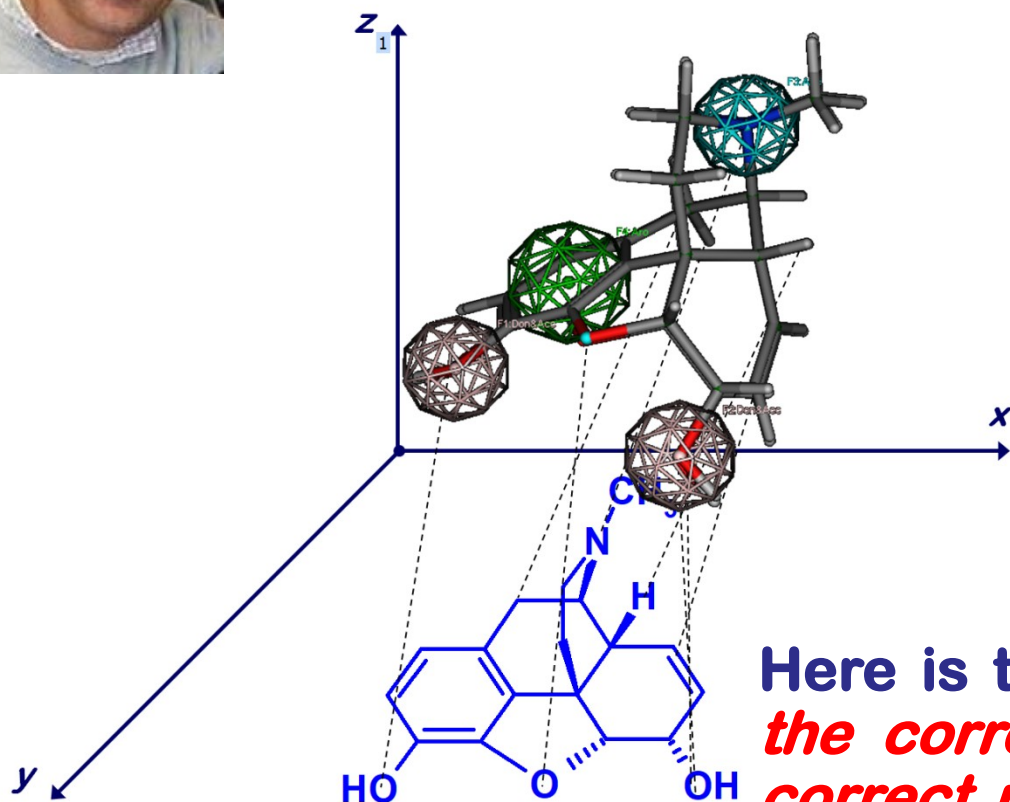
the magic of the cycles!

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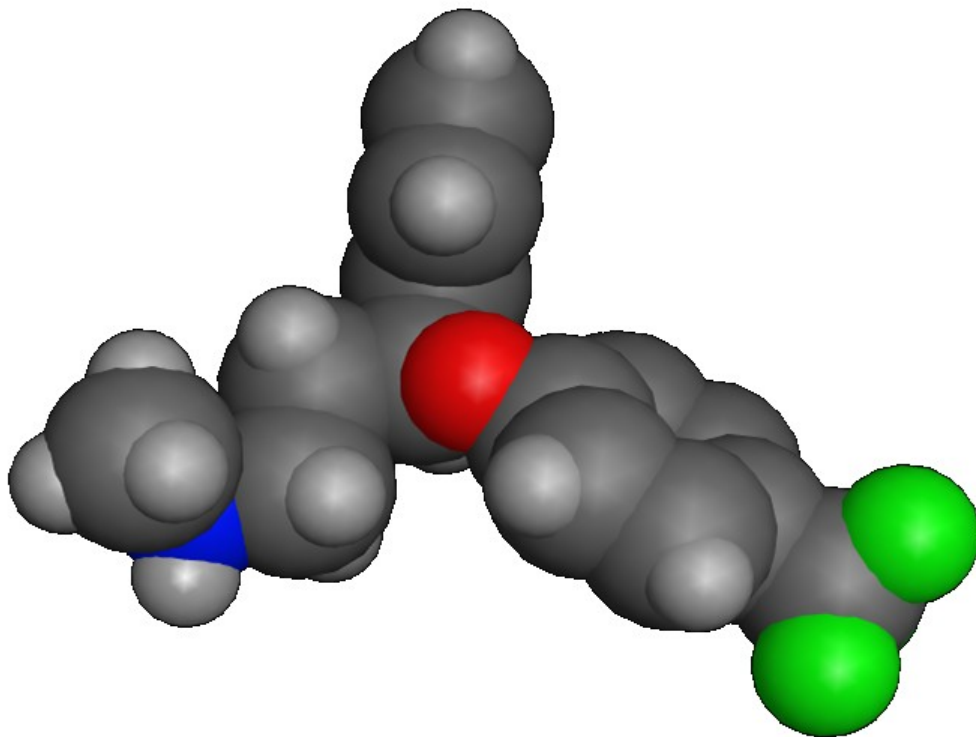
the magic of the cycles!



Here is the magic of cycles: *to place the correct functional groups, in the correct position in space for the time necessary to maximize the effect of the complementarity between the ligand and its recognition cavity (activity)*



Can we try again our little experiment?



1. Chemical class;
2. Functional groups;
3. Possible interaction scheme;
4. Guess pKa value;
5. Number of rotatable bonds;
6. Tautomers;
7. Chiral centers;
8. Chemical/enzymatic reactivity;
9. ...

1. Do you have 3D guess?

00:59



but we will never forget:

PHARMACODYNAMIC (PD) PROFILE

the study of the biochemical and physiological effects of drugs and the mechanisms of their actions, including the correlation of their actions and effects with their chemical structure.

PHARMACOKINETIC (PK)/TOX PROFILE

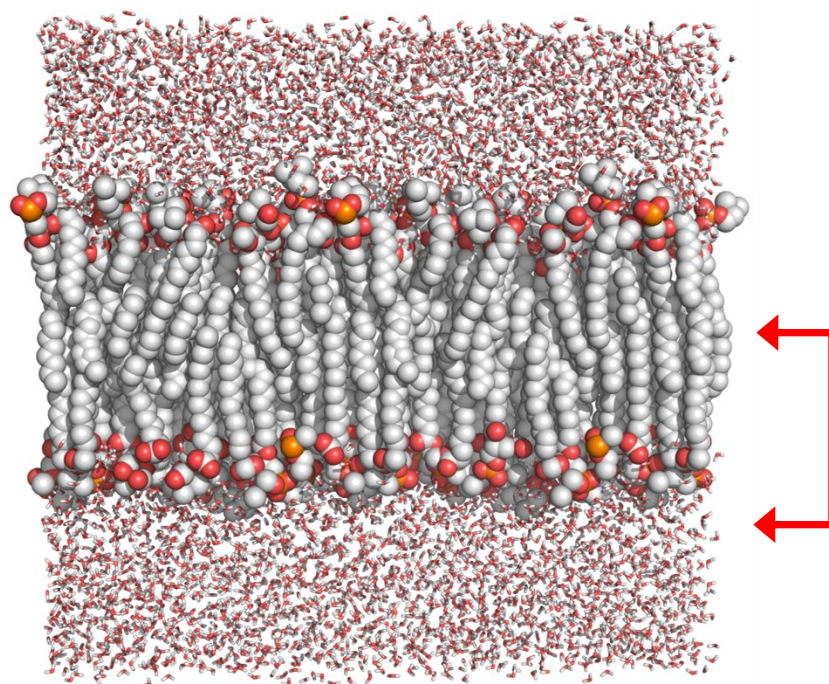
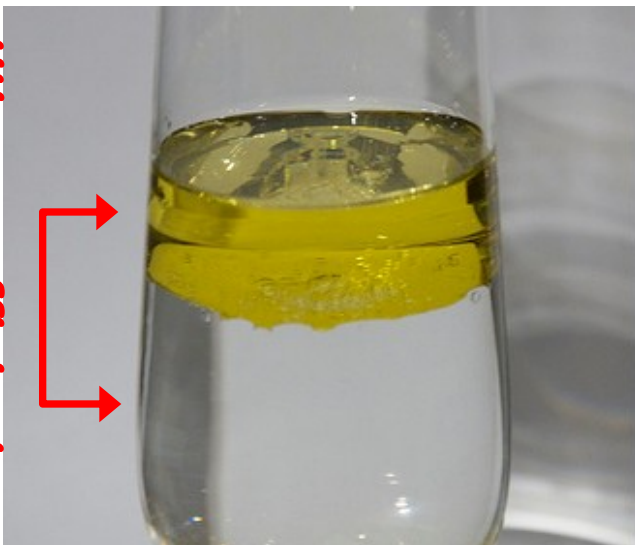
The study of the process by which a drug is absorbed (A), distributed (D), metabolized (M), and eliminated (E) by the body.

FORMULATION PROFILE



But you don't find a wonderful analogy?

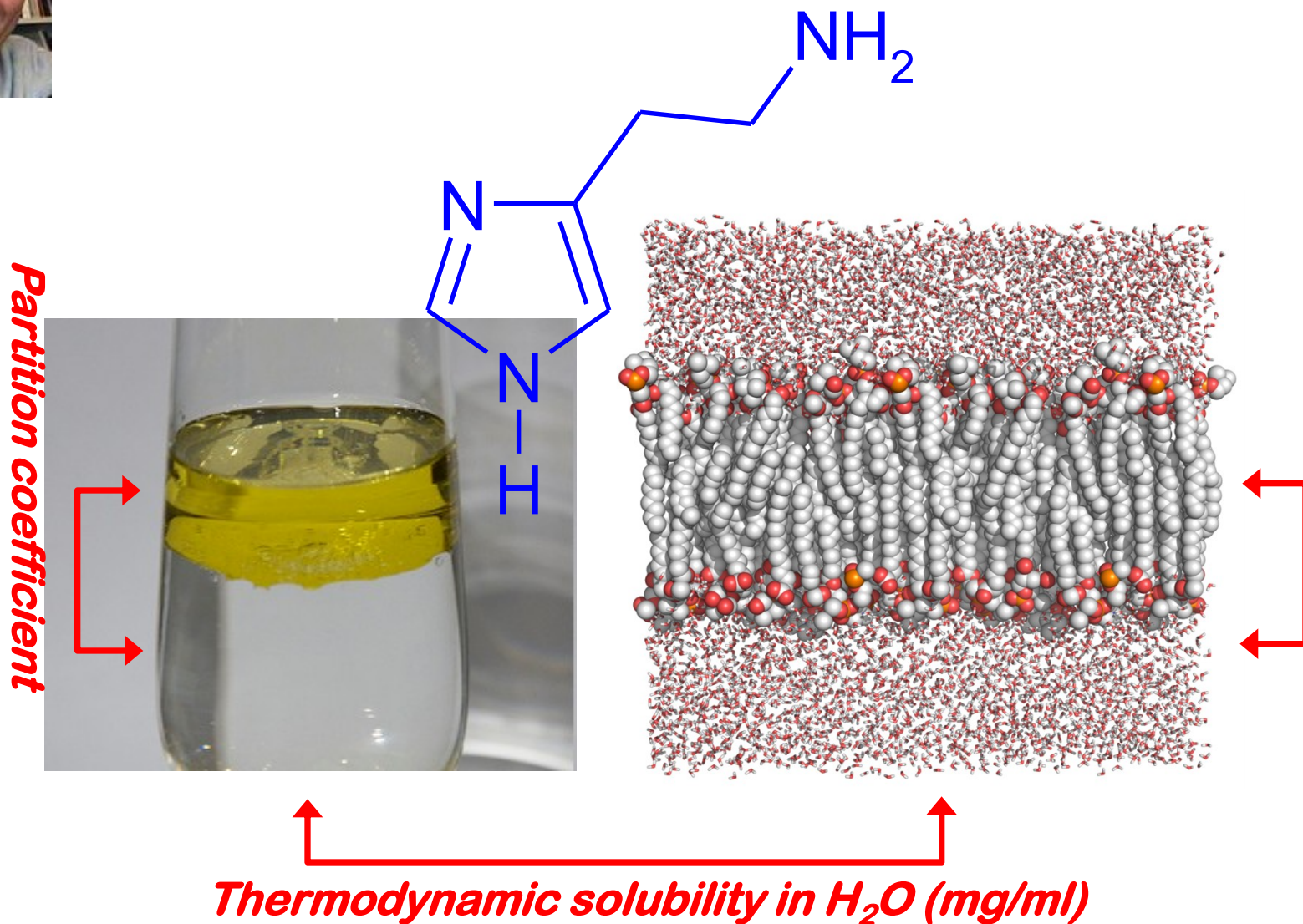
Partition coefficient



Thermodynamic solubility in H₂O (mg/ml)

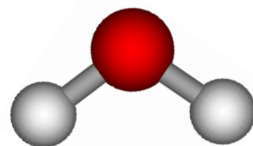


But where are written these properties?





Solubility in



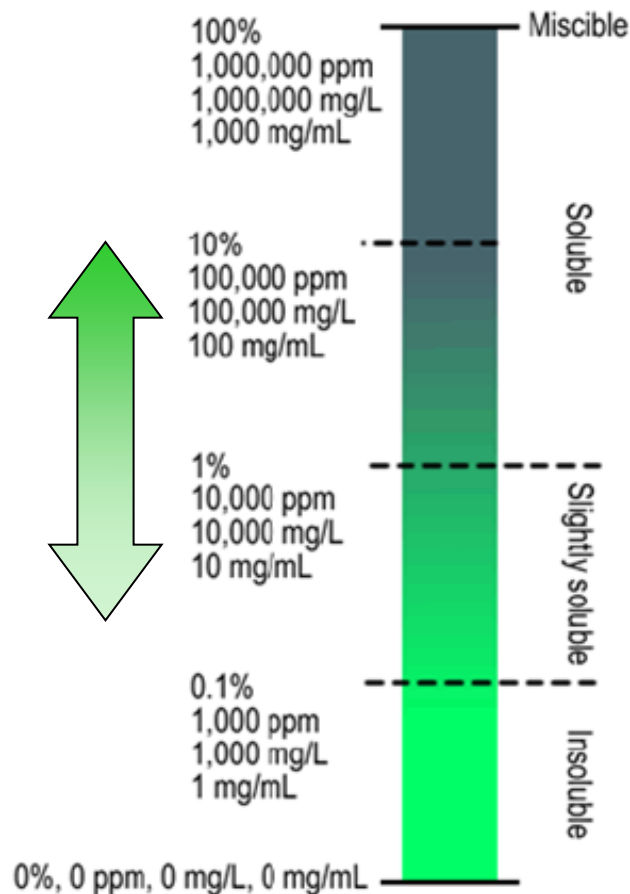
“corpora non agunt nisi soluta”

Chemical factors influencing solubility in H₂O:

presence of ionisable groups (depending upon pH)

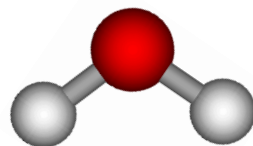
hydrogen bonds (donors/acceptors)

polarized functional groups



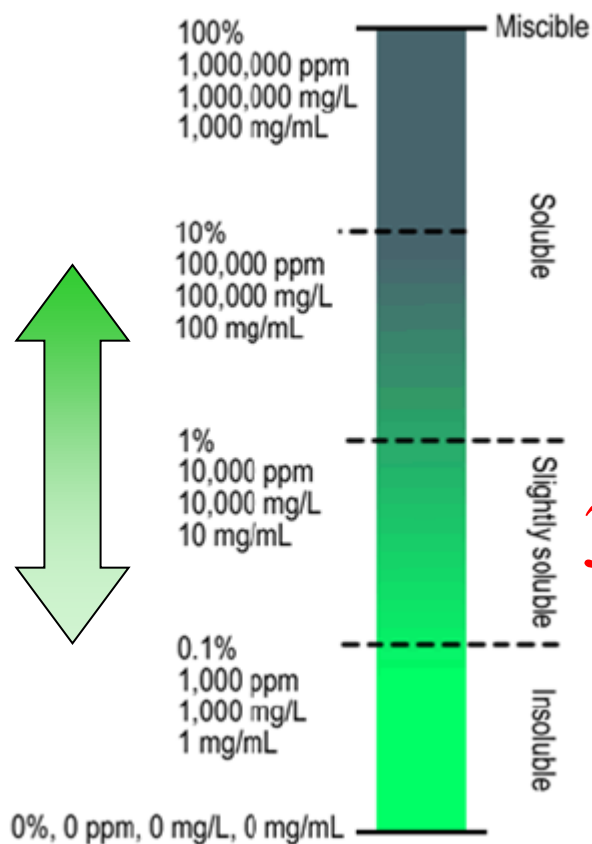


Solubility in



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$$C/(N + O) \leq 3$$

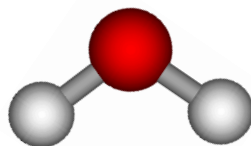
$$3 < C/(N + O) < 5$$

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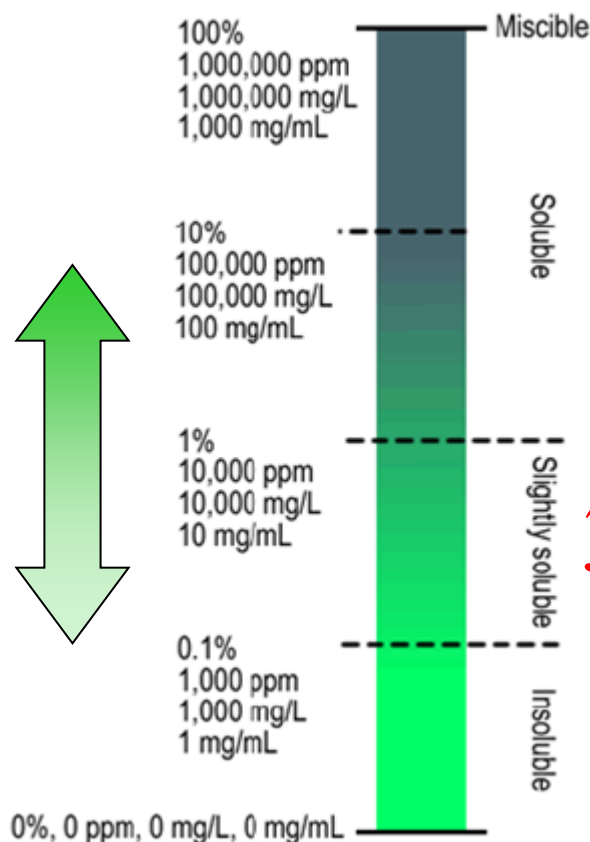
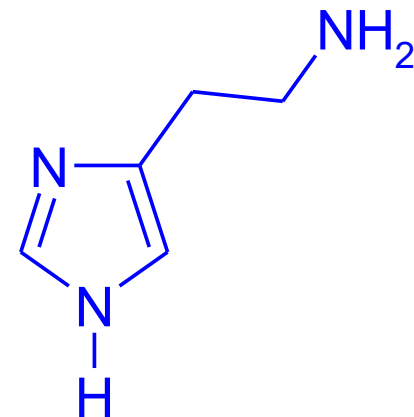
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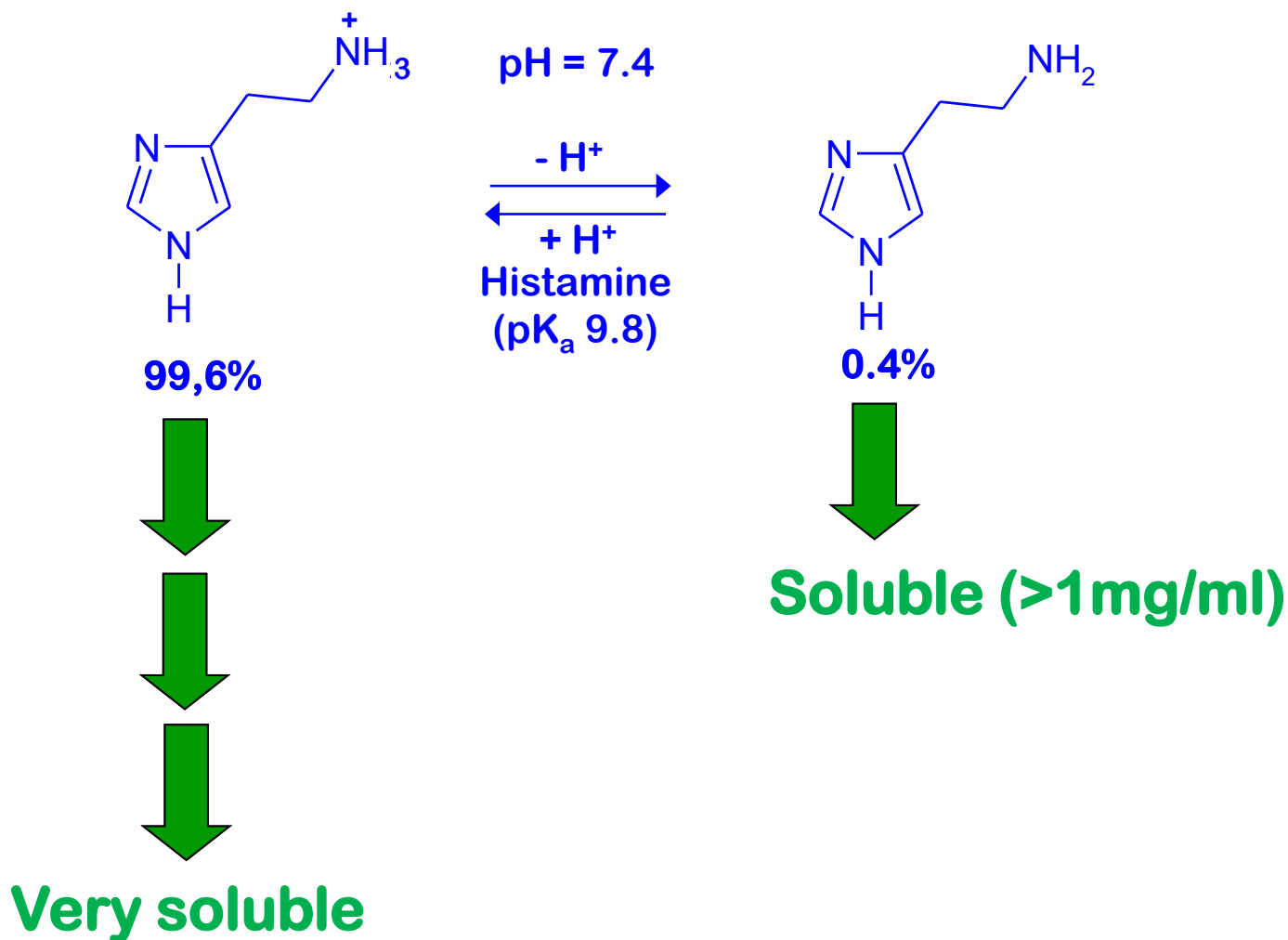
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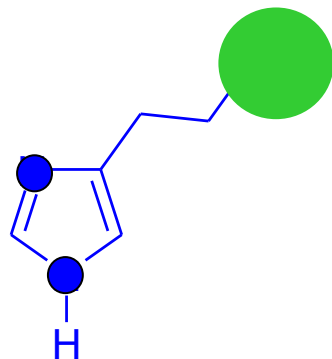


The first crucial pharmaceutical difference!





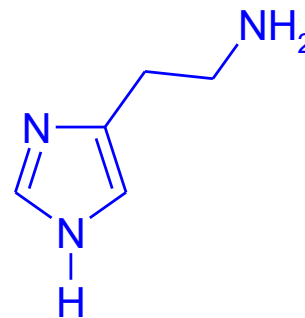
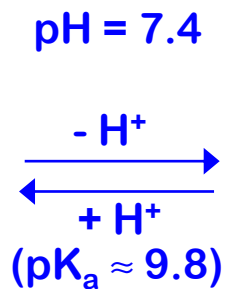
but...



99,6%



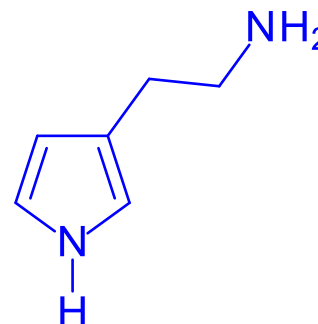
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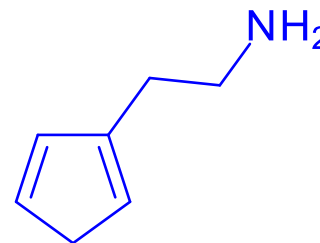
Solubility
Prediction



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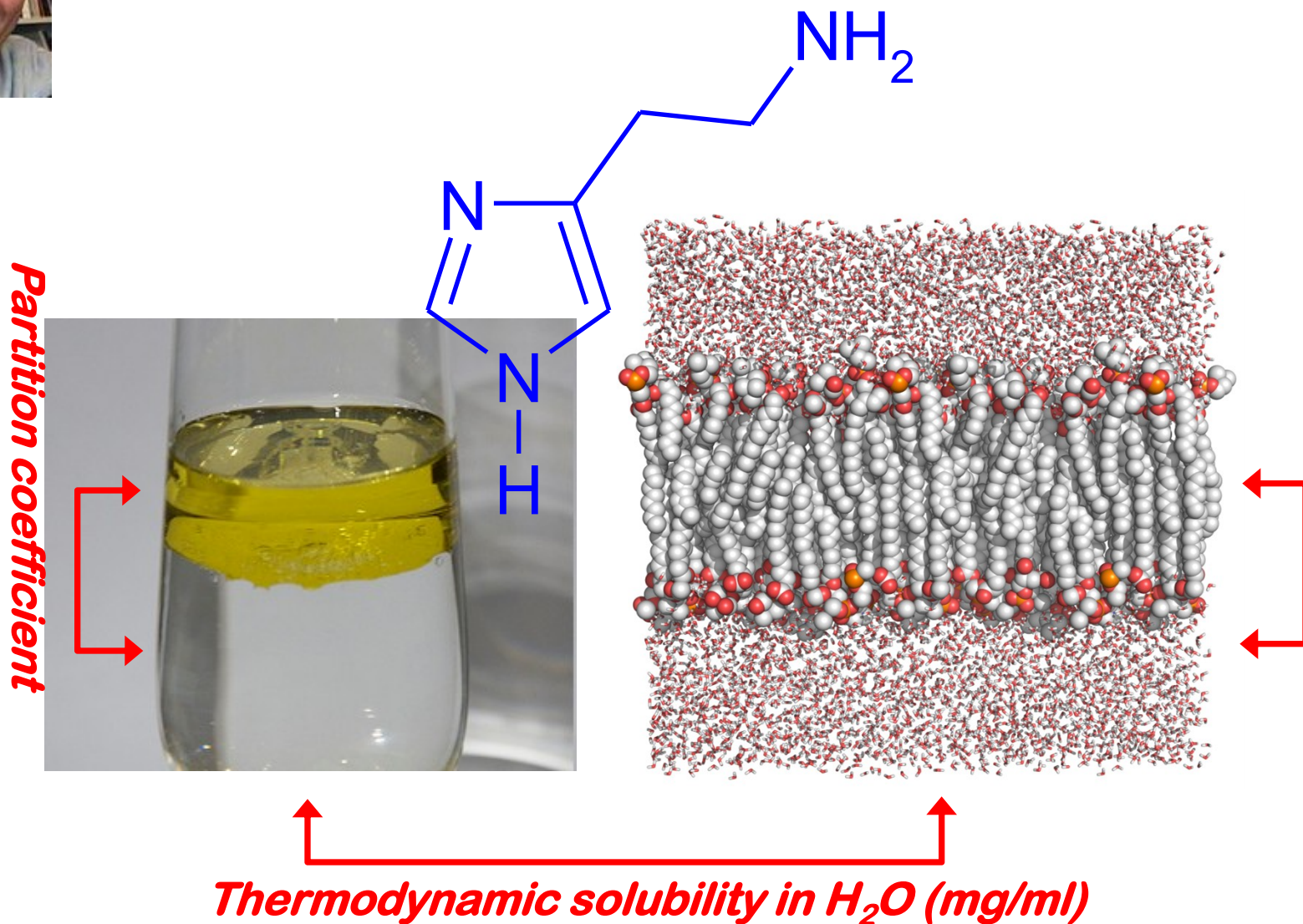


$\approx 0.4\%$





But where are written these properties?



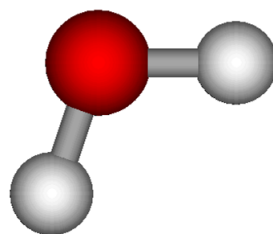


A very simple definition:

In organic chemistry, we have a family of compounds characterized by bonds with $\Delta EN \cong 0$

HYDROCARBONS

and they are surely

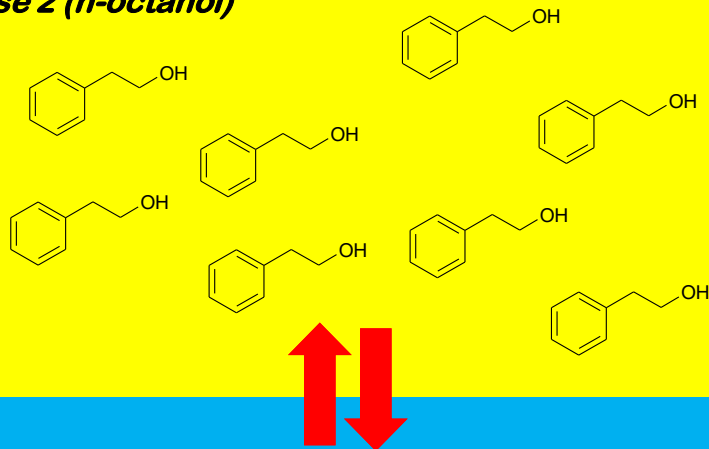


phobics!!!

Hydrophobicity and partition coefficient

$$\mu_{(phase2)} = \mu_{(phase2)}^0 - RT \ln[C_{(phase2)}]$$

Phase 2 (n-octanol)



At the equilibrium:

$$\mu_{(phase1)} = \mu_{(phase2)}$$

$$\mu_{(phase1)}^0 - RT \ln[C_{(phase1)}] = \mu_{(phase2)}^0 - RT \ln[C_{(phase2)}]$$

$$\mu_{(phase1)}^0 - \mu_{(phase2)}^0 = RT \ln[C_{(phase1)}] - RT \ln[C_{(phase2)}]$$

$$\mu_{(phase1)}^0 - \mu_{(phase2)}^0 = RT \ln \left[\frac{C_{(phase1)}}{C_{(phase2)}} \right]$$

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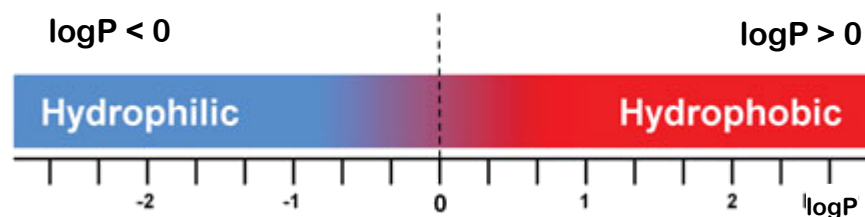
Hydrophobicity and partition coefficient

$$\left[\frac{C_{(phase1)}}{C_{(H_2O)}} \right] = P \quad \text{Partition coefficient}$$

We can define: ***“hydrophobic”*** a compound with $P > 1$;
“hydrophilic” a compound with $P < 1$.

$$\log \left[\frac{C_{(phase1)}}{C_{(H_2O)}} \right] = \log P$$

We can define: ***“hydrophobic”*** a compound with $\log P > 0$;
“hydrophilic” a compound with $\log P < 0$.



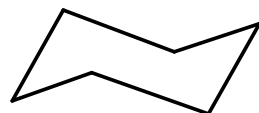
Hydrophobicity and partition coefficient

How we can choose the second phase:



***n*-octanol**

- immiscible in water even if 27% of water dissolves in it... so the first region of hydration of the solute is preserved;
- UV transparent;
- Low vapor pressure.



cyclohexane

Immiscible in water and very low amount of water dissolves in it... so also the first region of hydration of the solute is lost.
The differences between the logP values in *n*-octanol and cyclohexane is a measure of the de-hydration energy of a solute.



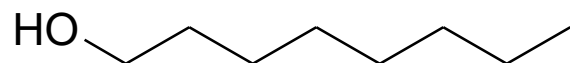


Do you see any similarity?

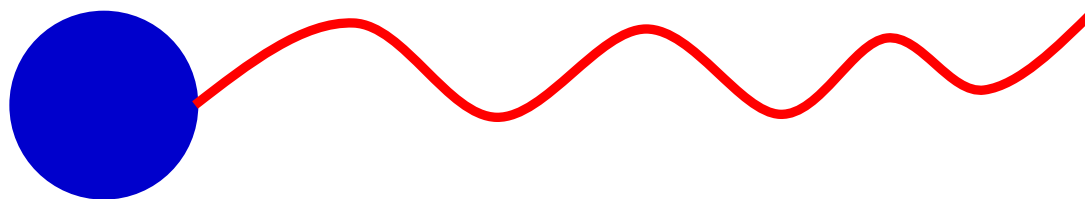
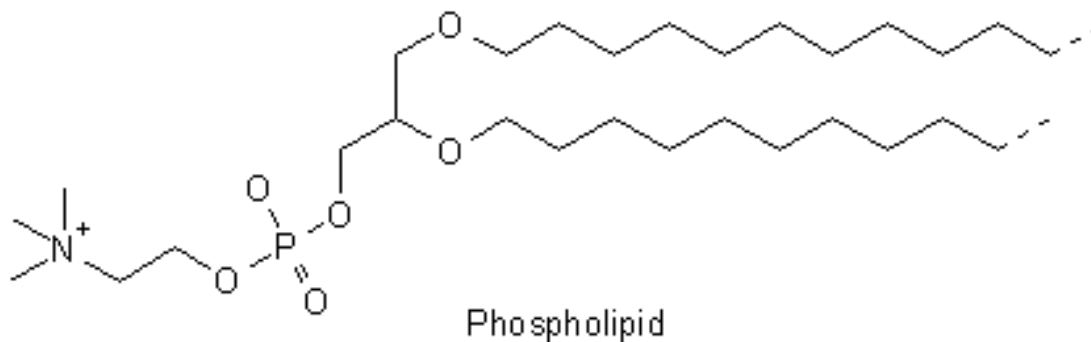
...in addition to this?



How we can choose the second phase:

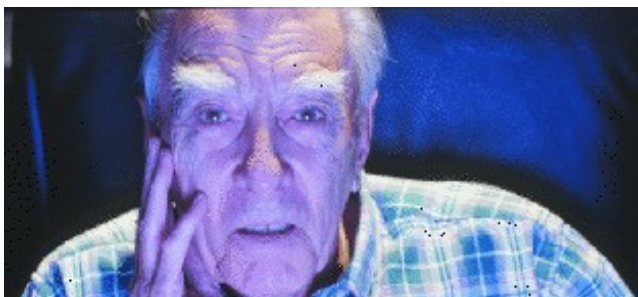
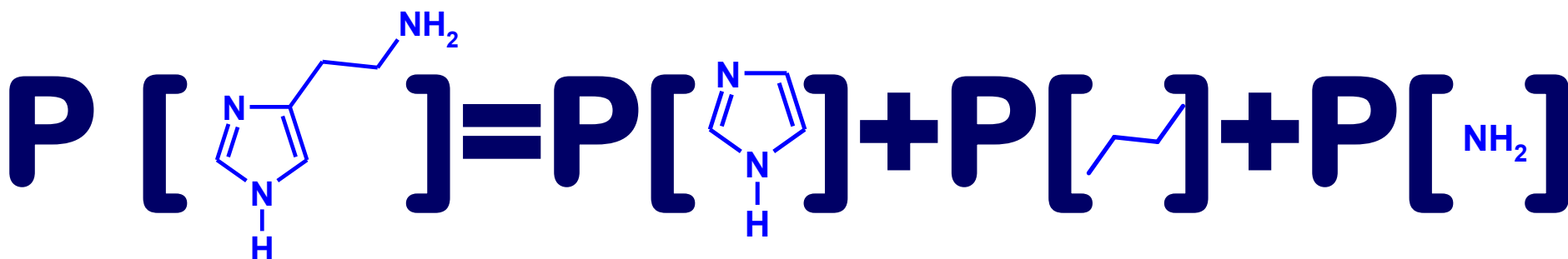


n-octanol • “Similarity” with biological membrane;





Could it be that the partition coefficient (P) of a chemical compound is the sum of the coefficients of individual fragments that compose it?



Corwin Hansch

Fragments	Pi value*
C	+0.5
phenyl/benzene/aromatic ring	+2.0
Cl	+0.5
S	0.0
carboxylic acid or ester	-0.7
amide or imide	-0.7
O (hydroxyl, phenol, ether)	-1.0
N (amine)	-1.0

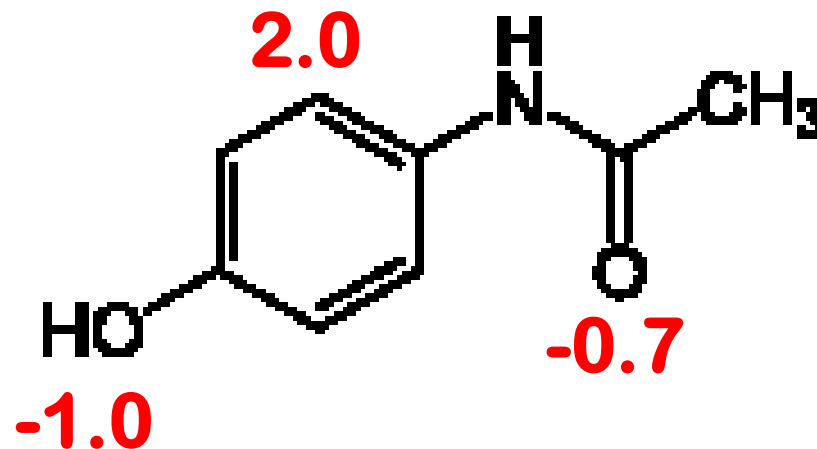
** in log scale*



Just a little example:

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$$\text{clogP} = 0.3$$



$$\text{logP} = 0.46$$





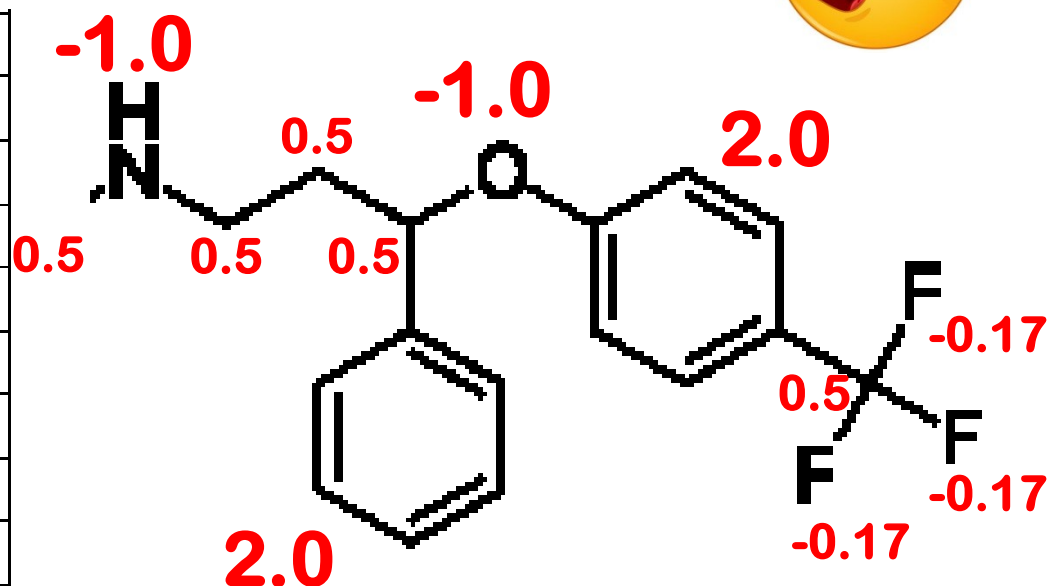
Now it's your turn!

clogP = 3.99

logP = 4.05



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F (aliphatic)
F (aromatic)



-0.17
0.14

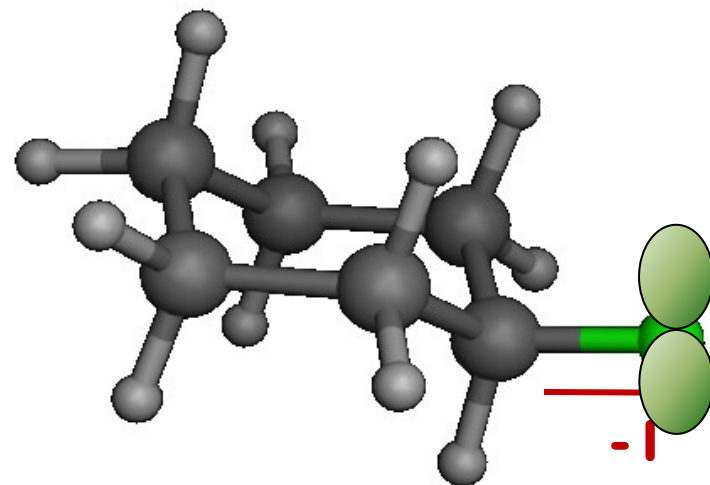
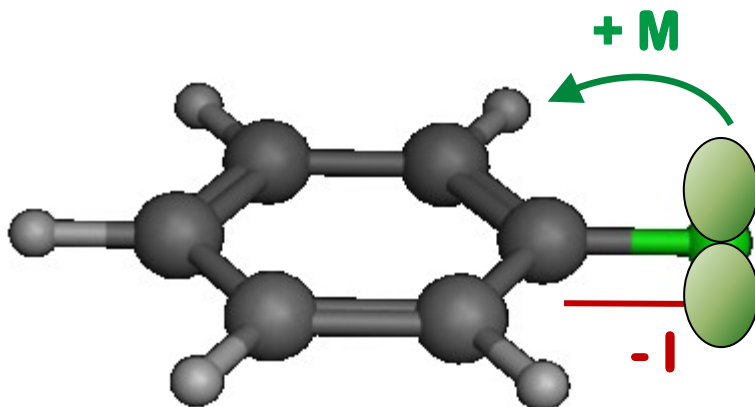


Fluorine... aliphatic is not aromatic!

F (aliphatic)
F (aromatic)



-0.17
0.14





Lipinski's "Rule of Five"

Poor oral absorption or permeation, if ...

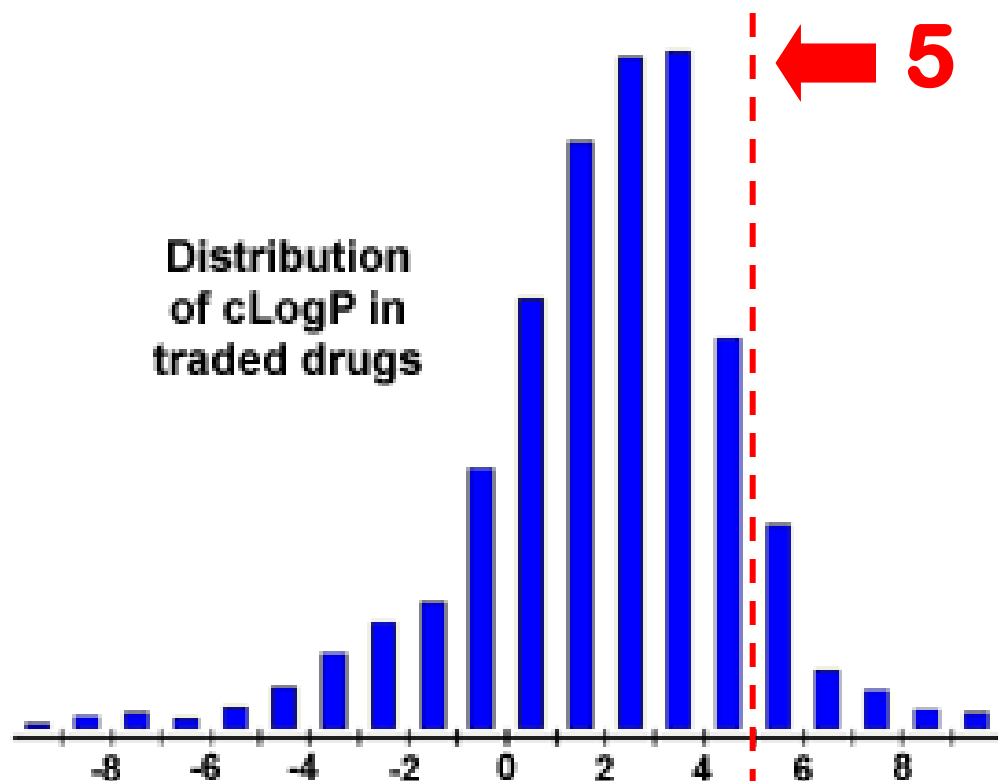
- Number of H-bond donors > 5 (OH & NH)
- Number of H-bond acceptors > 10 (O & N)
- Molecular weight > 500
- $\log P > 5$

Lipinski et al., Adv. Drug Deliv. 23 (1997) 3.

N.B. Like all rules they are there to be broken and a number of exceptions exist. I have personally worked on a couple of well-absorbed drugs which broke this rule but as a general guide it works well. Remember that you may have charge in your molecule so that LogD(7.4) or LogD(5.5) is really the important parameter rather than Log P. Keeping LogD(7.4) around 2 seem generally good advice. Manipulating the pKa can be a way of improving a molecule.



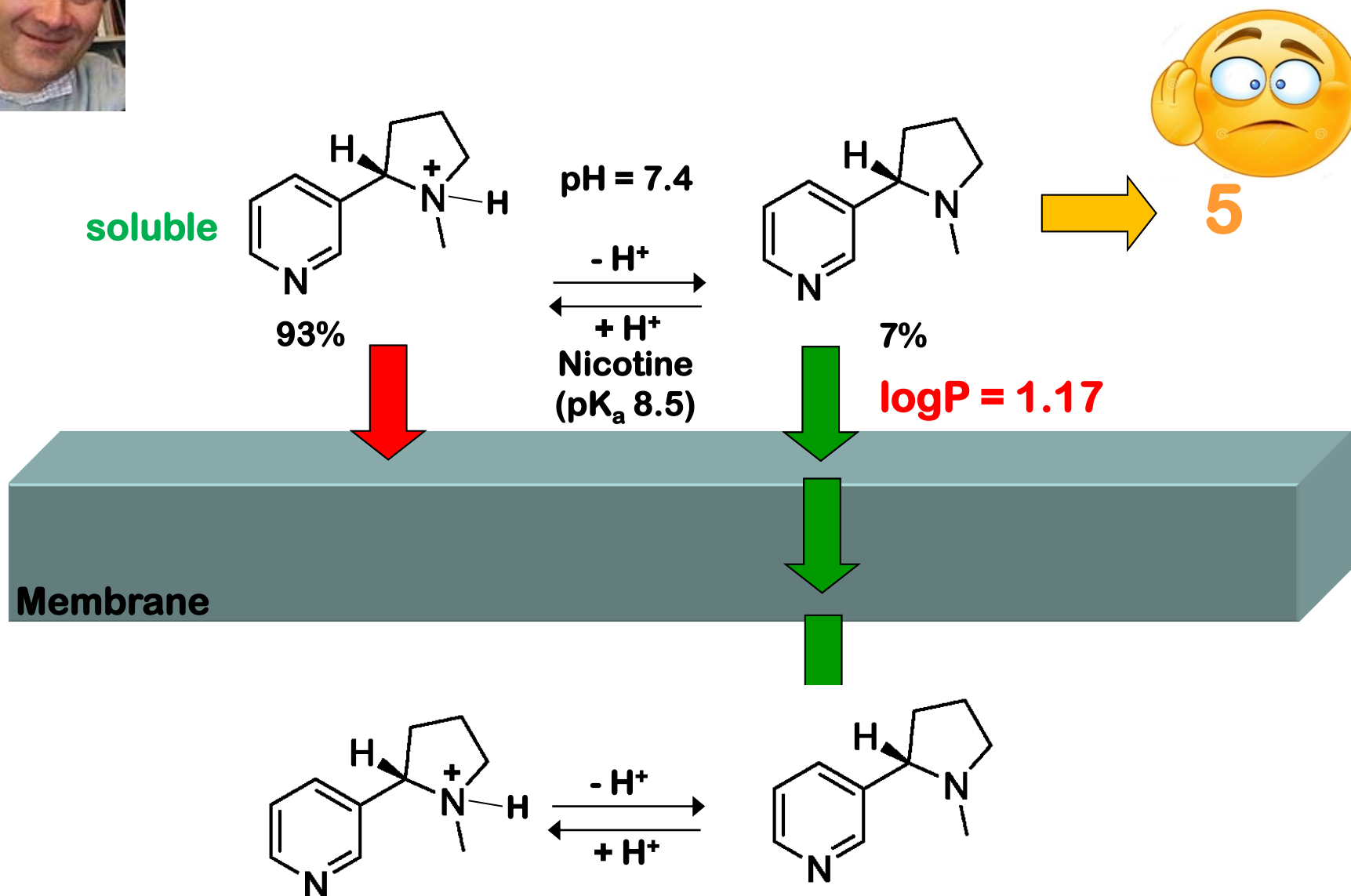
Hydrophobicity and partition coefficient



It has been shown for compounds to have a reasonable probability of being well *orally absorb* their logP value must not be greater than 5.0. The distribution of calculated logP values of more than 3000 drugs on the market underlines this fact (see diagram).

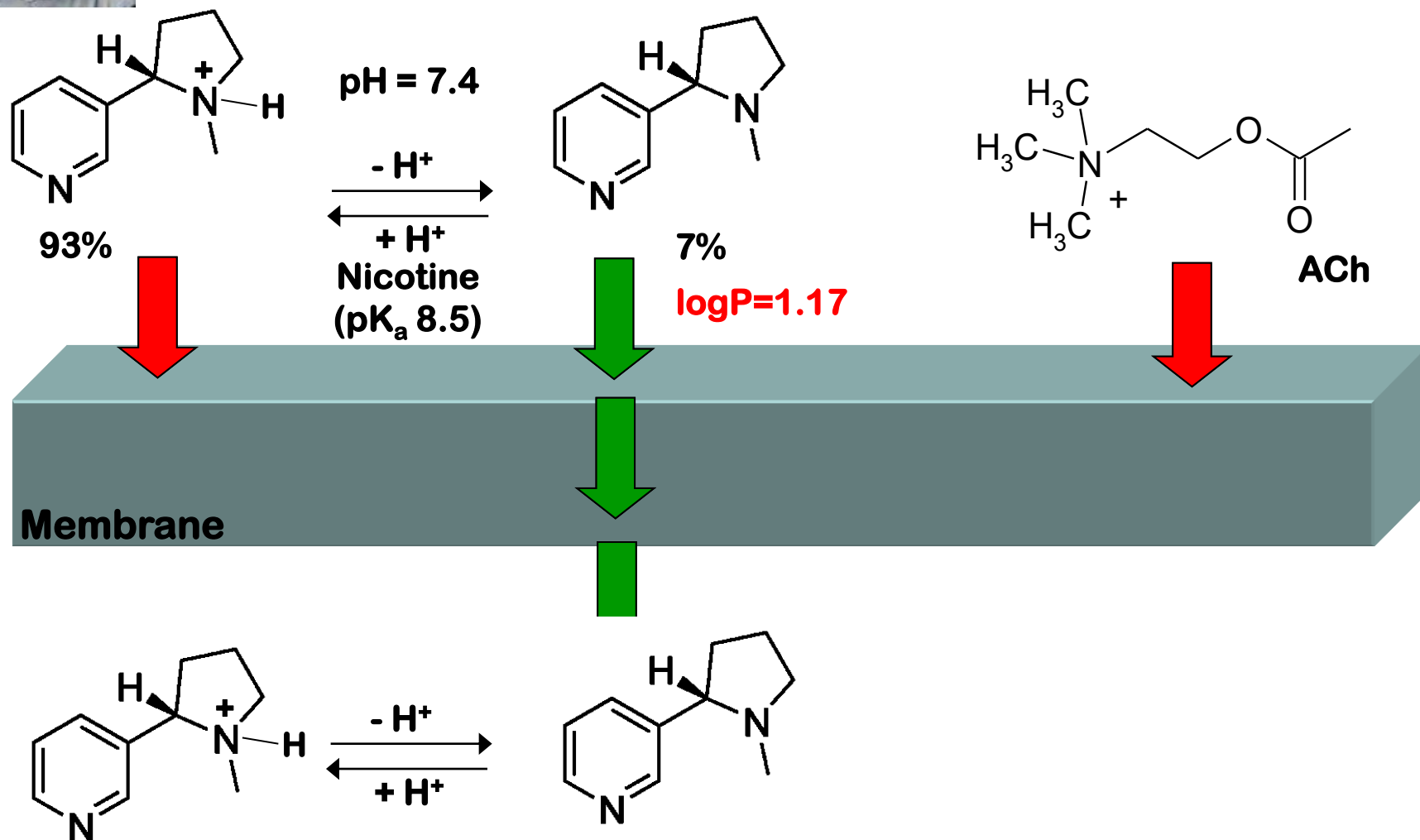


Another crucial pharmaceutical difference!





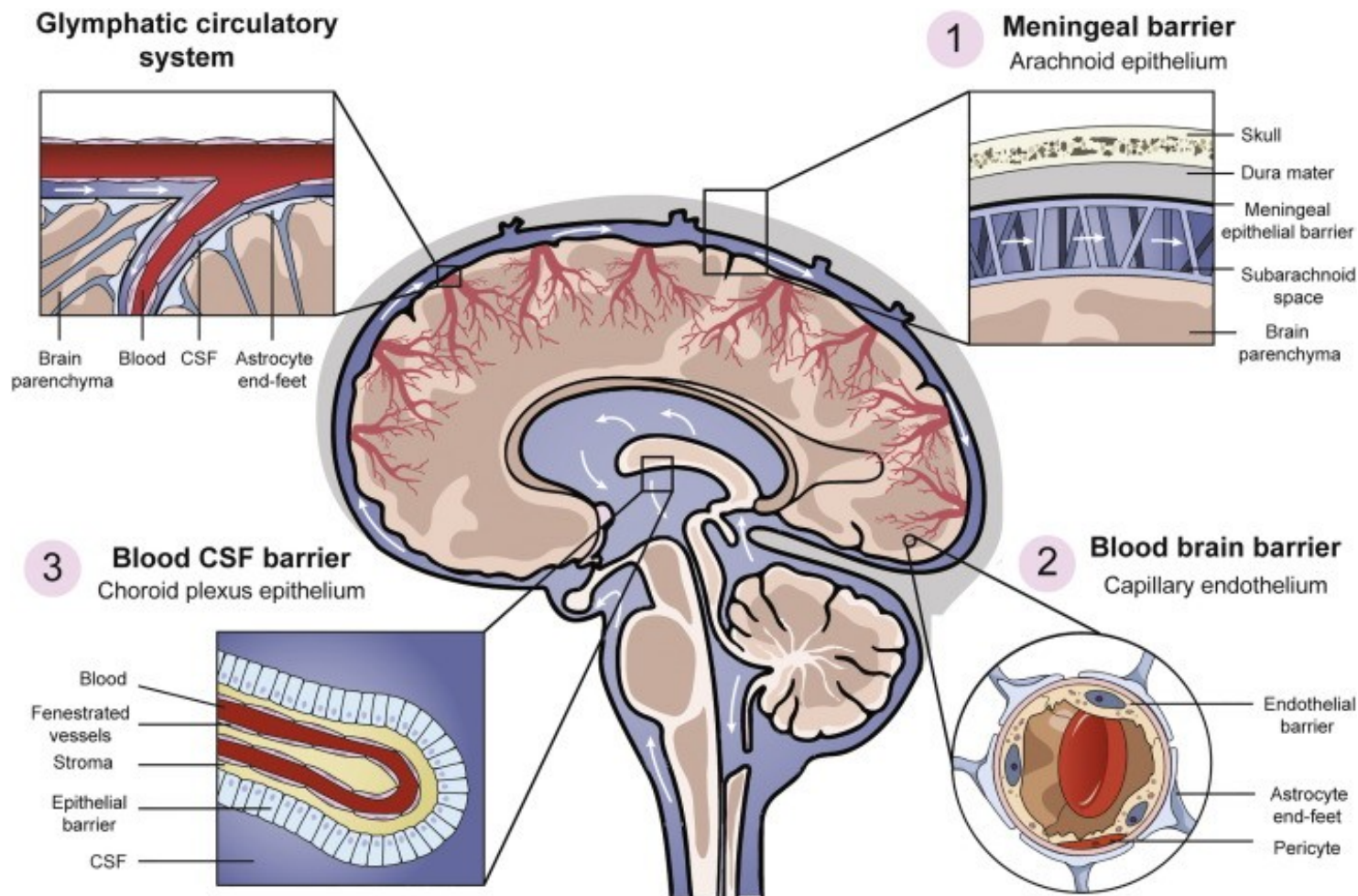
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Beyond Lipinski's "Rule of Five"

Organization of brain barriers:

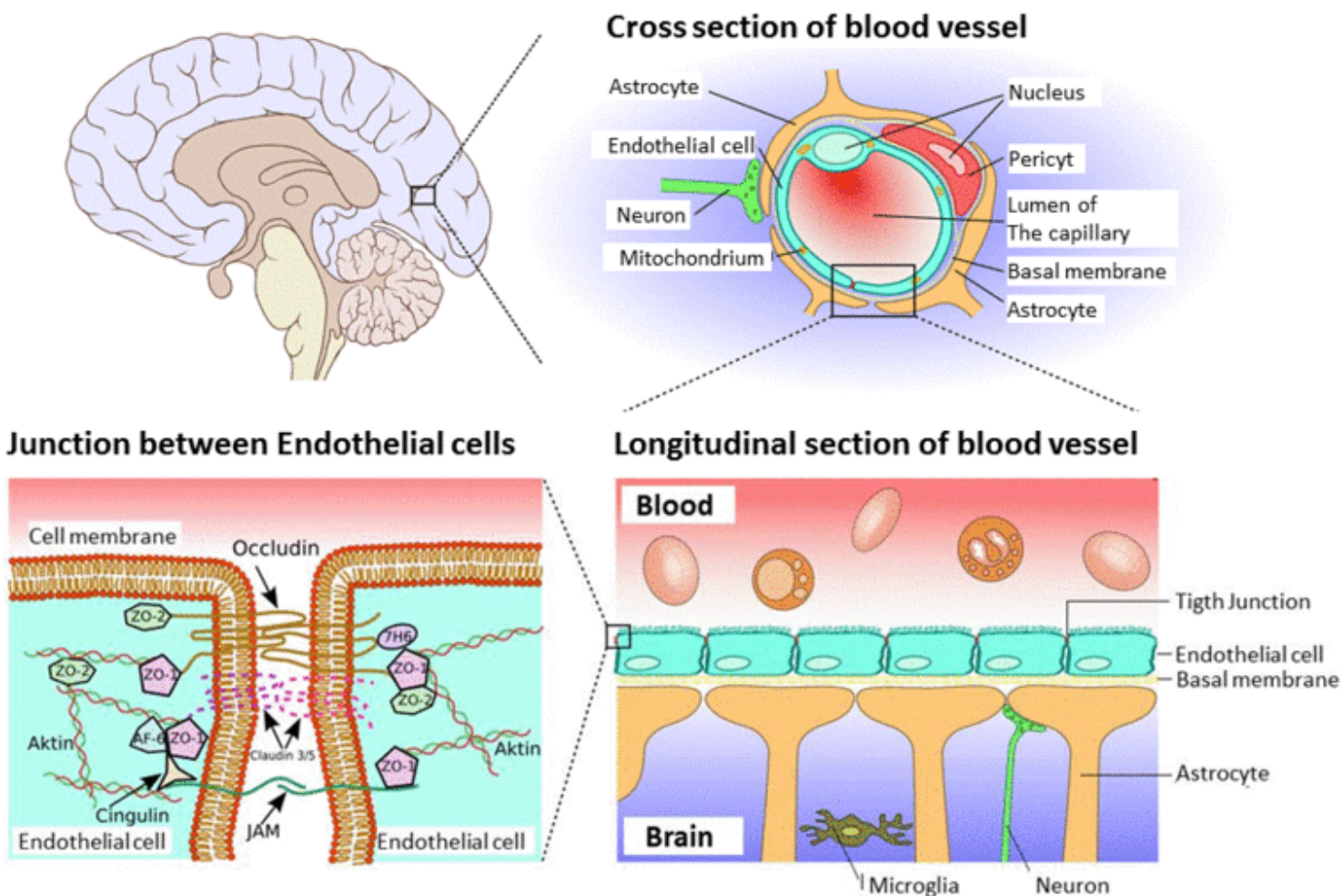


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Beyond Lipinski's "Rule of Five"

Pathways across the blood–brain barrier



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Beyond Lipinski's "Rule of Five"

Pathways across the blood–brain barrier

Lipophilicity: $0 \leq \log P \leq 3$

Molecular weight: < 450

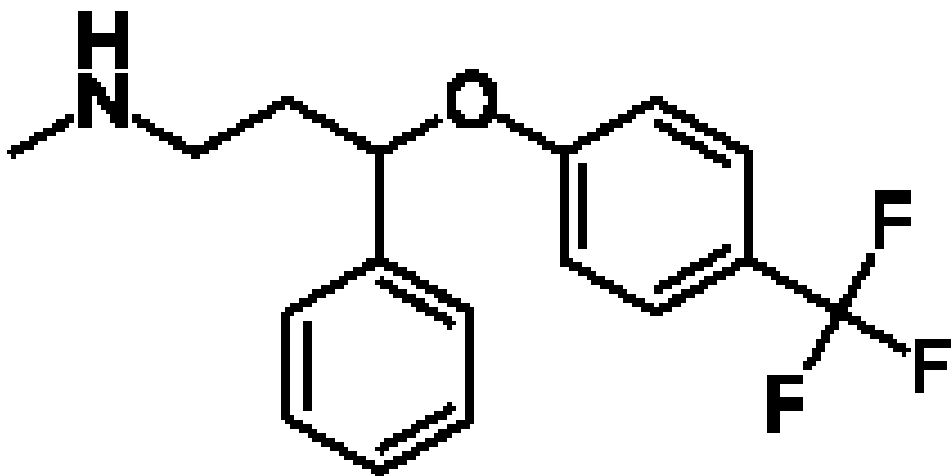
Polar surface area (PSA): $60 \div 90 \text{ \AA}^2$

Hydrogen bonding (O + N): ≤ 5

Charge: $4 \leq pK_a \leq 10$



Can we try again our little experiment?



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3. Possible interaction scheme;
4. Guess pKa value;
5. Number of rotatable bonds;
6. Tautomers;
7. Chiral centers;
8. Chemical/enzymatic reactivity;
9. Guess 3D- shape
10. Guess water solubility;
11. Guess logP;
12. Guess BBB permeation;
13. ...

