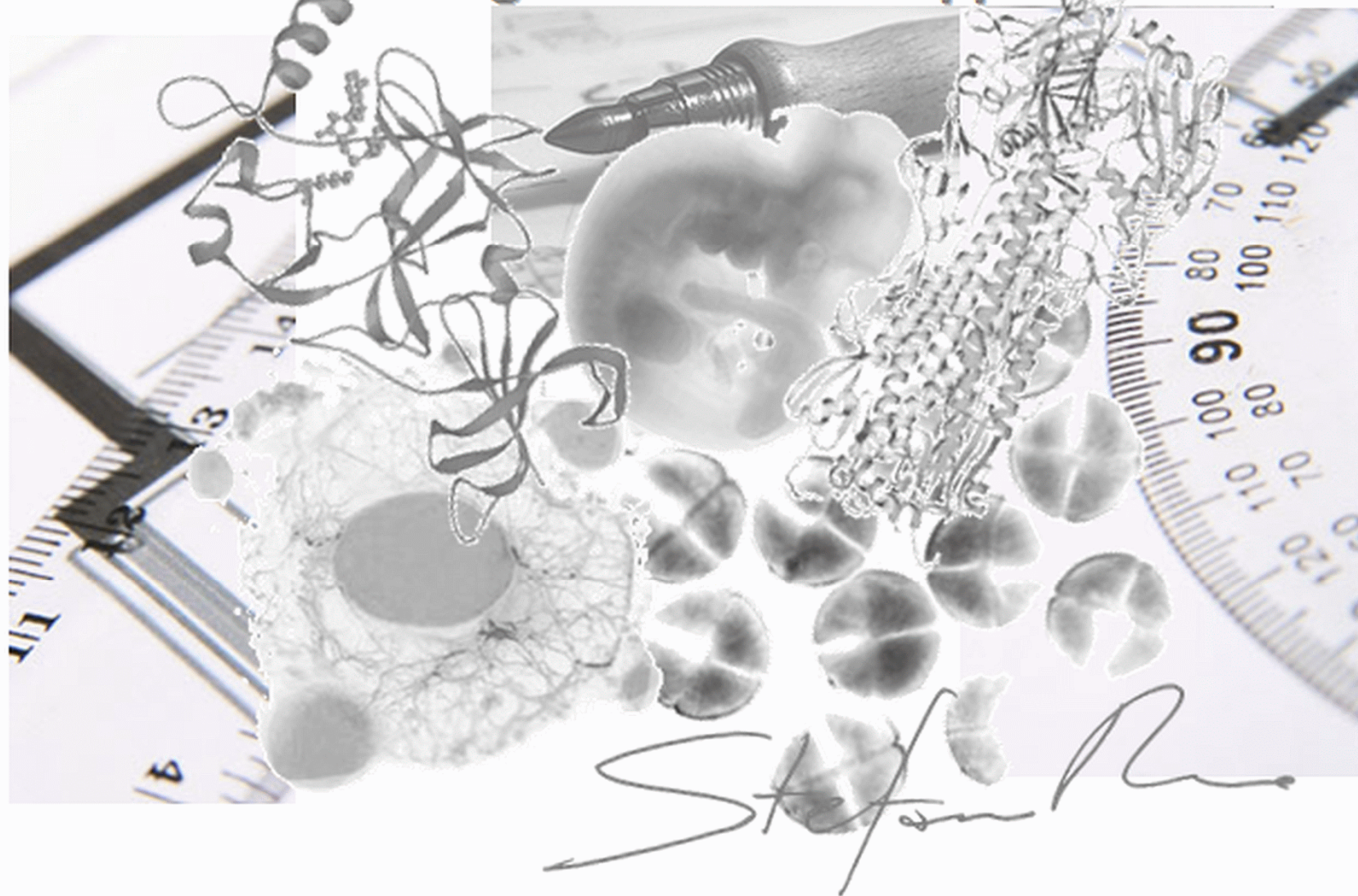


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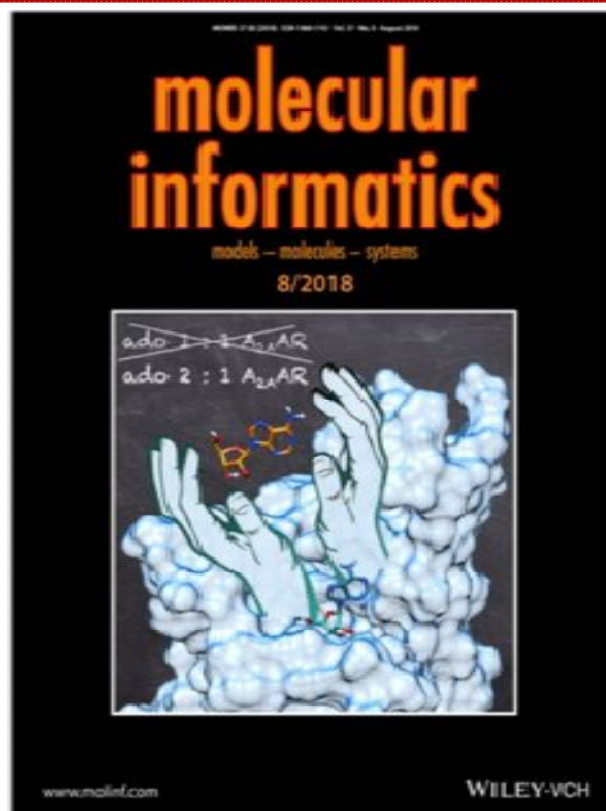
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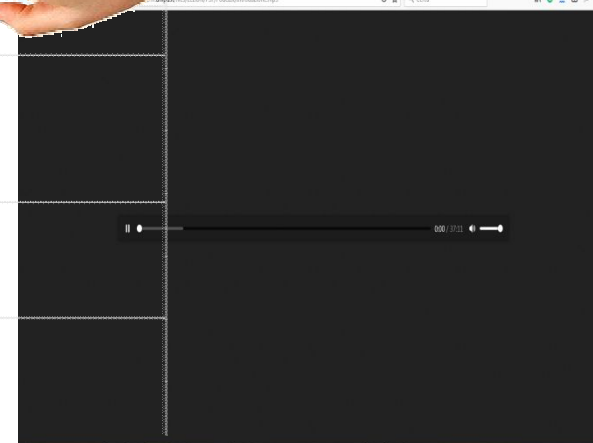
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Question 7 of 16 Point Value: 10 / Total Points: 20 out of 160

You can recognize which similarity index is calculated?

$$\frac{A \cap B}{A_{solo} + B_{solo} + A \cap B}$$

☐ Tversky

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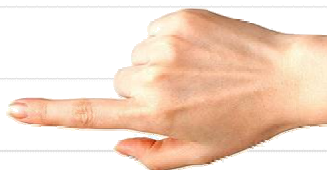
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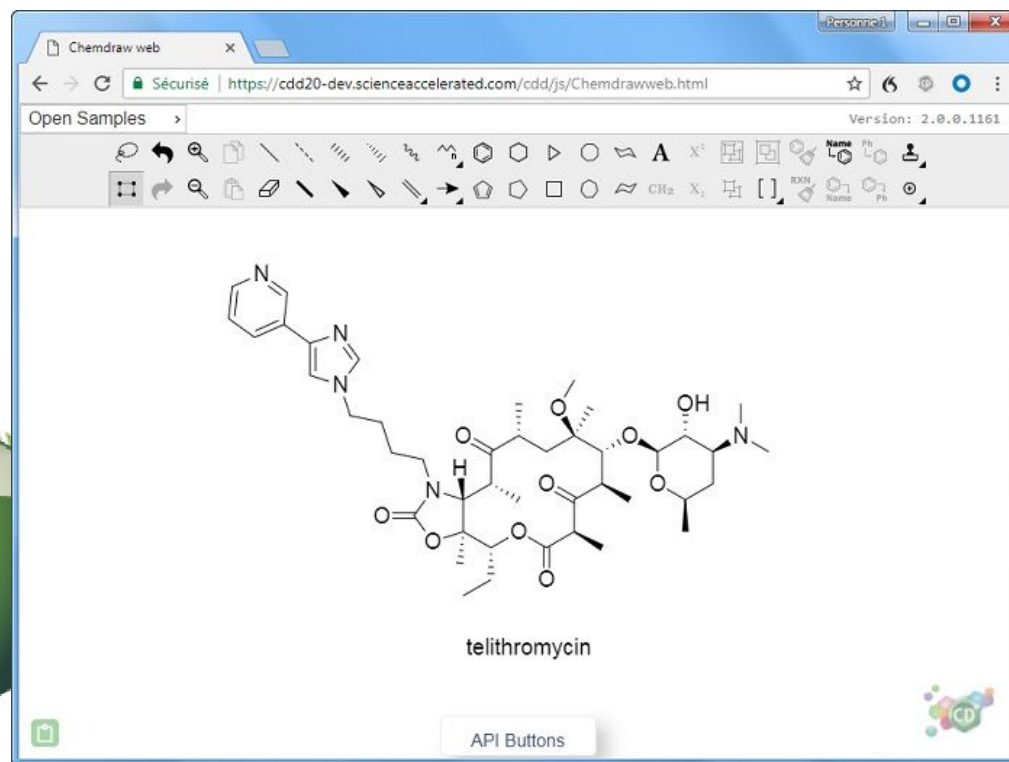


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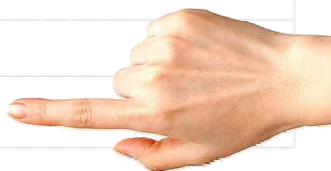
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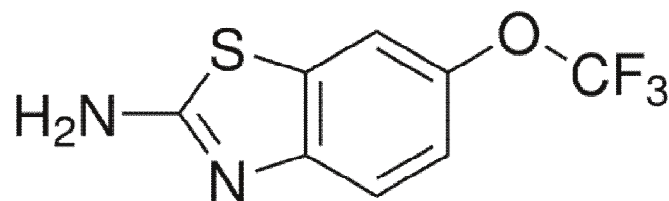
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PDB code: 5LJT



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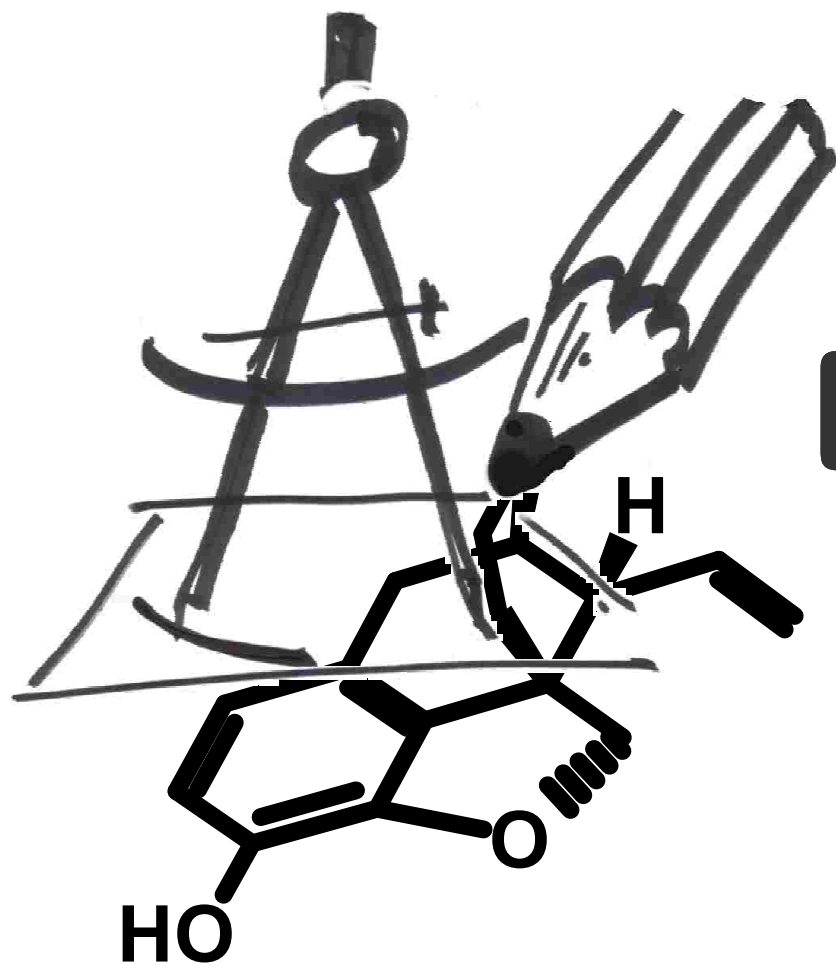


Targeting protein kinase CK1δ with Riluzole: could it be one of the possible missing bricks to interpret its effect in the treatment of ALS from a molecular point of view?"

ChemMedChem. (2018) in press



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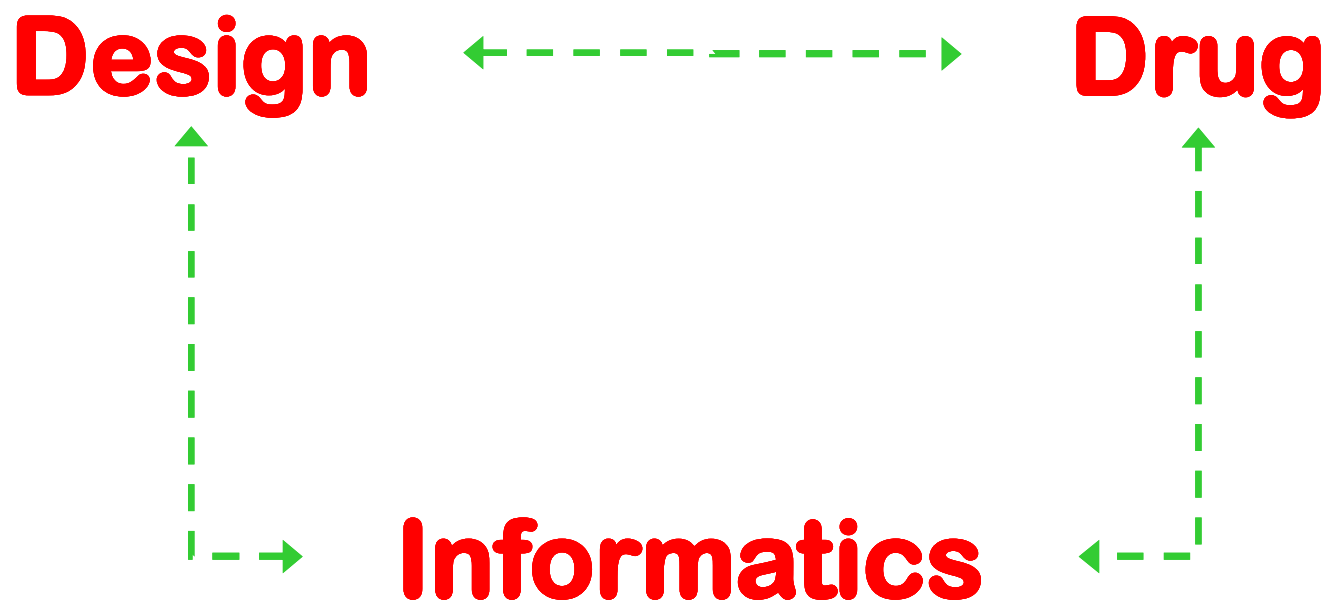


**The most insidious question that
you can make me :**

Is a drug designable?



Answering to this question needs to find the intimate connection between these three concepts :





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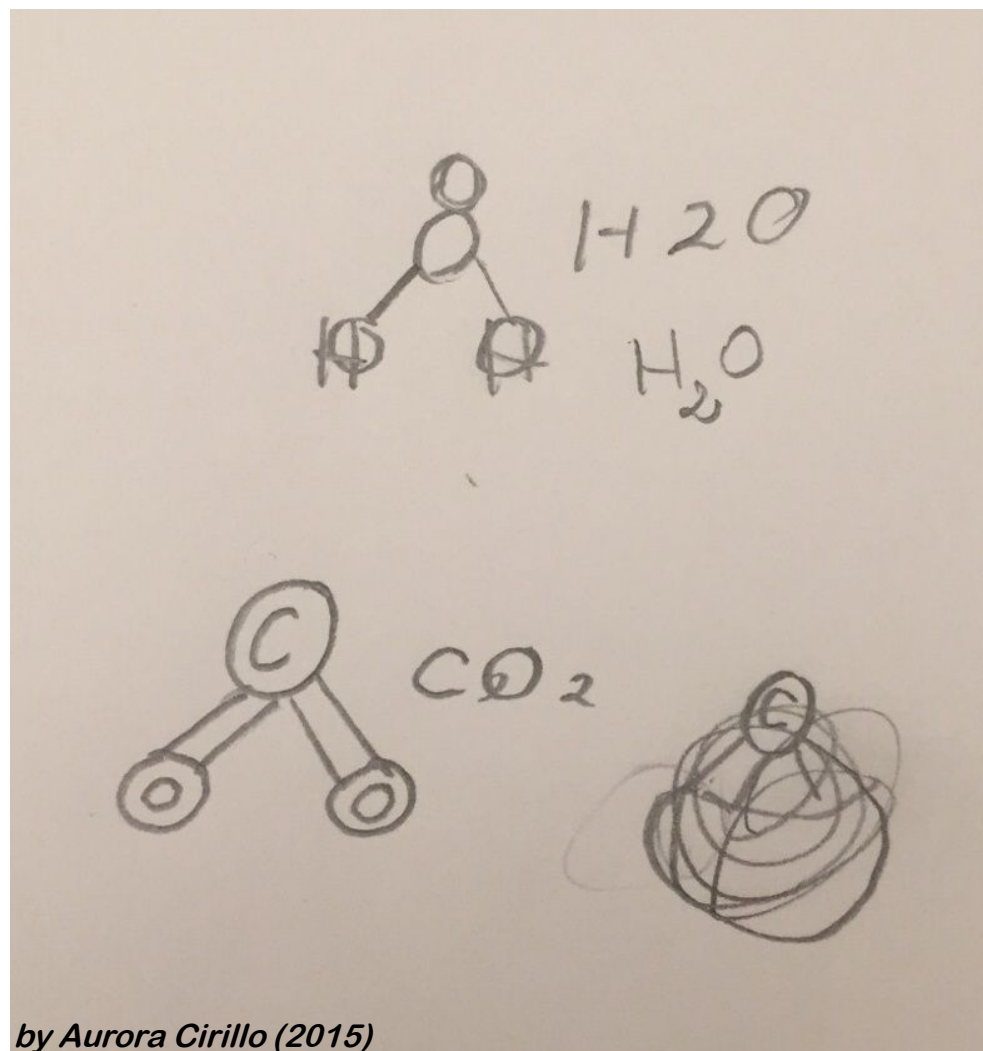
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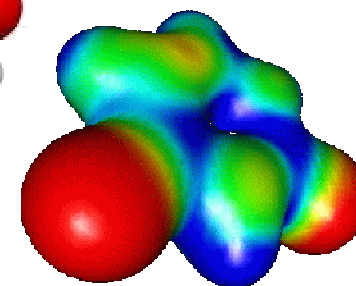
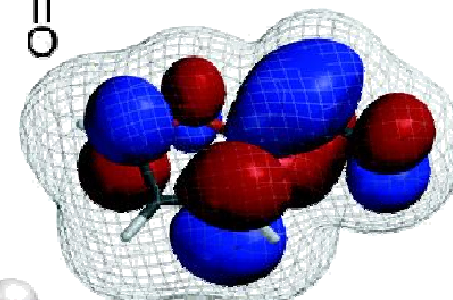
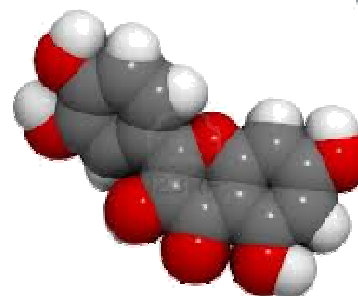
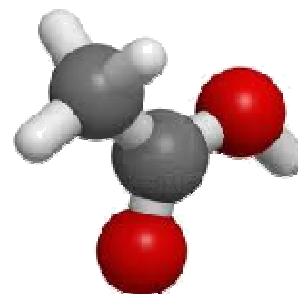
set up a project of a work by making
drawings and calculations necessary for
its realization.



... there is no doubt that chemists (including medicinal chemists) are of great *drawers*:



by Aurora Cirillo (2015)

Oc1cc(O)c2c(c1)C(=O)c3ccccc3C2=O

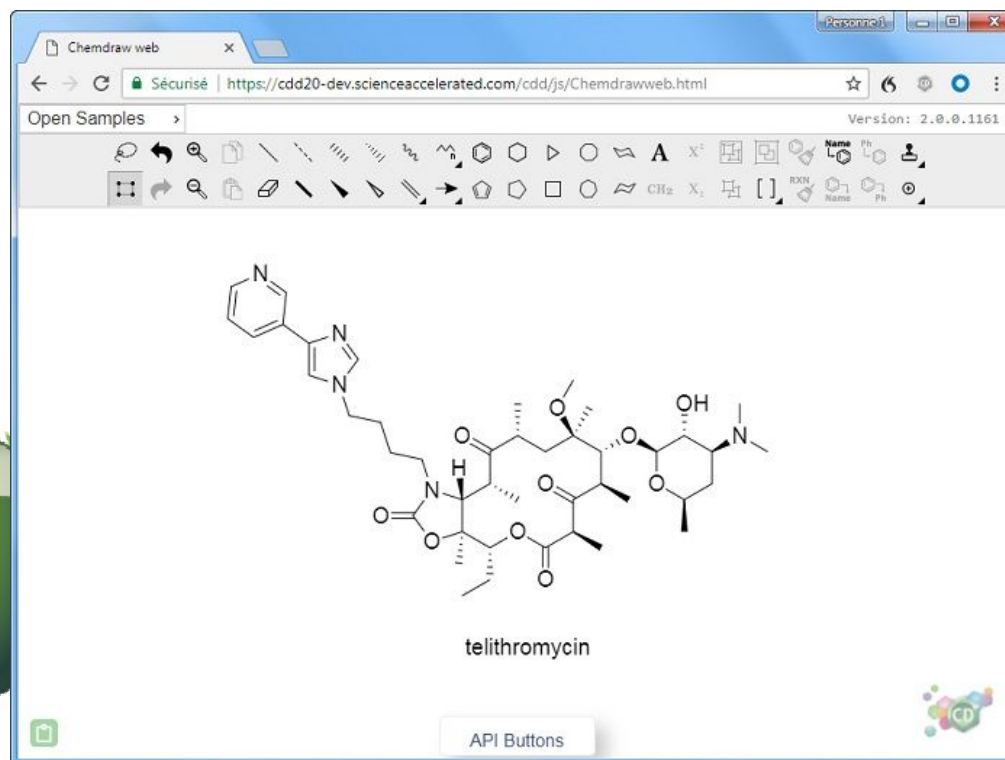
... but what *chemical drawings* are from an informatics point of view?



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... couple of bits of:





again an egoistic definition of *informatics*:

In 1957 the German computer scientist Karl Steinbuch coined the word *Informatik* by publishing a paper called “*Informatik: Automatische Informationsverarbeitung*” (*Informatics: Automatic Information Processing*).



**It is not sufficient to invent something.
You need to recognize, that you have
invented something.**

Karl Steinbuch



again an egoistic definition of informatics:

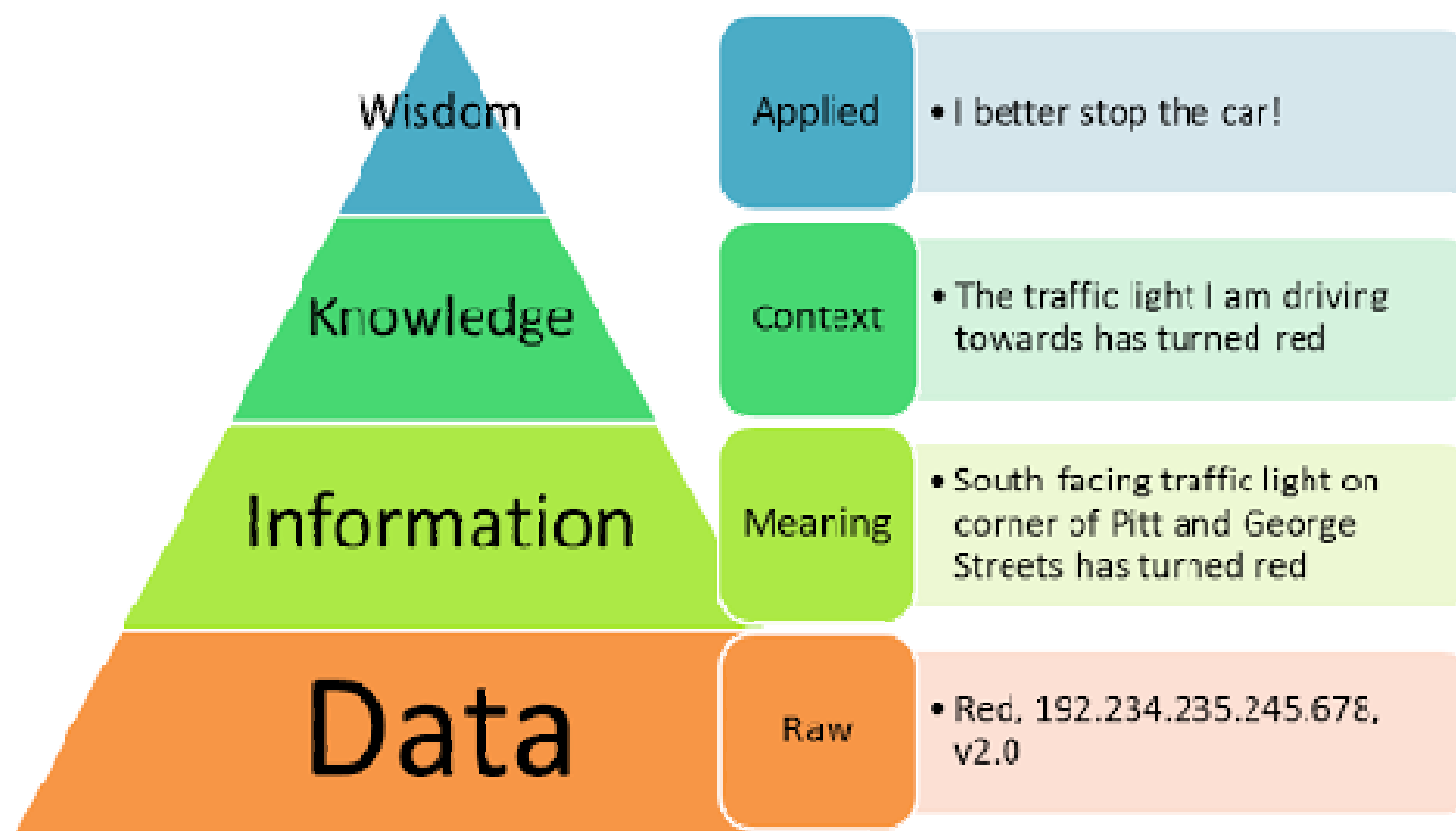
Informatics:

Informatics is, in its most general sense, the *science of information*.

I didn't find a better representation of this definition than this:



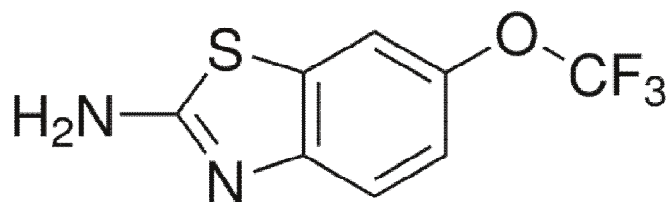
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Q: a chemical representation like this, can be considered as a *data* or as an *information*?



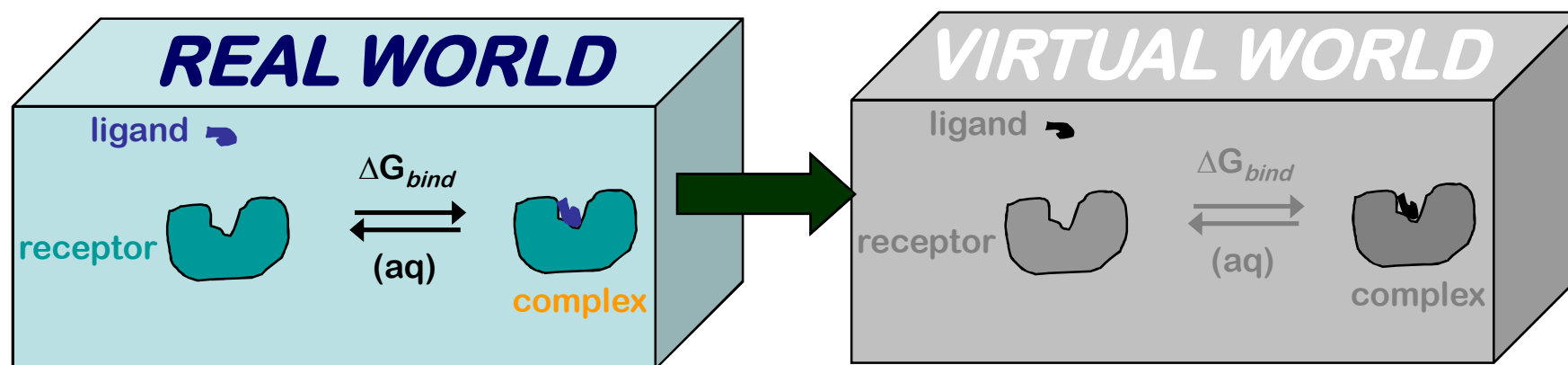
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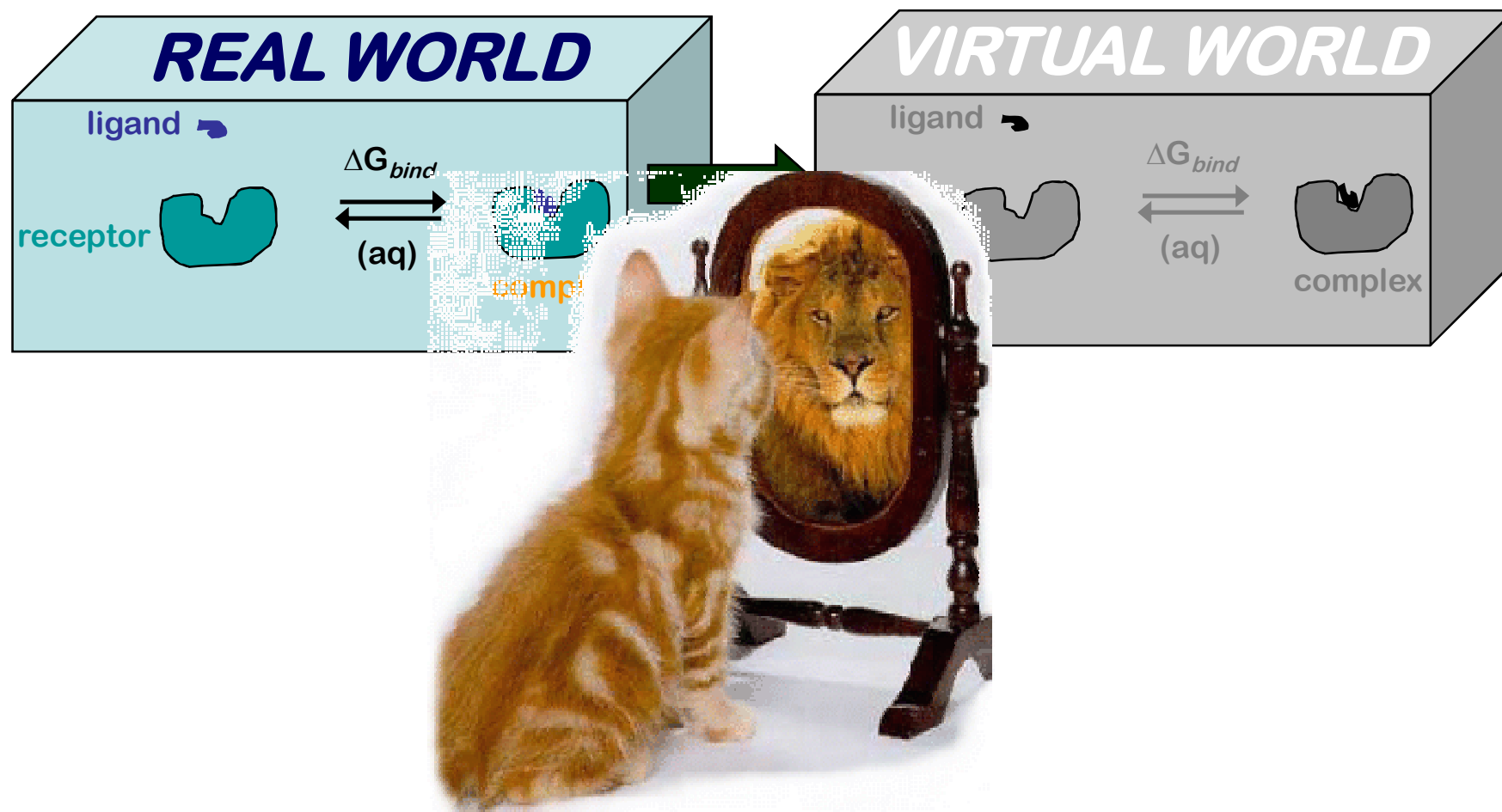
Informatics is the basic science of any *virtualization* process:

From an informatics point of view, any computational tool is a *virtualization process*: the creation of a virtual version of the real process.



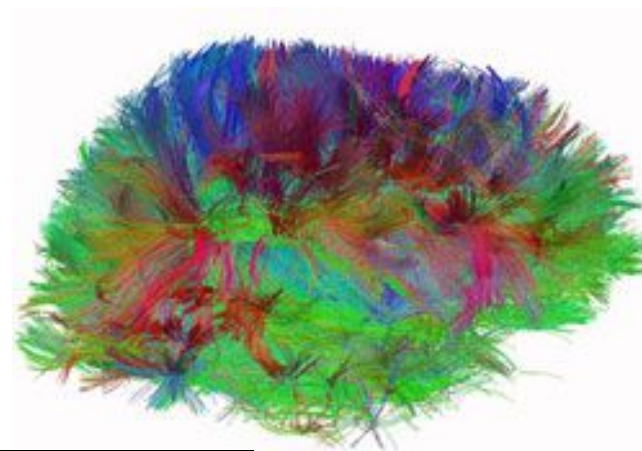
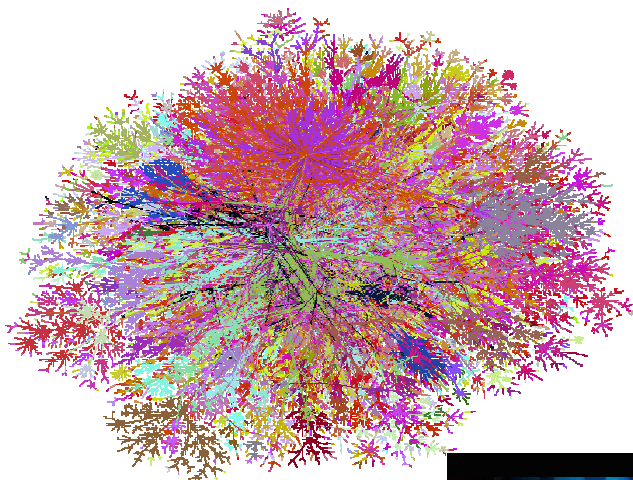


The *accuracy* of this virtualization process is crucial:





**the informatics future is the
“*virtualization*” of complex systems...**





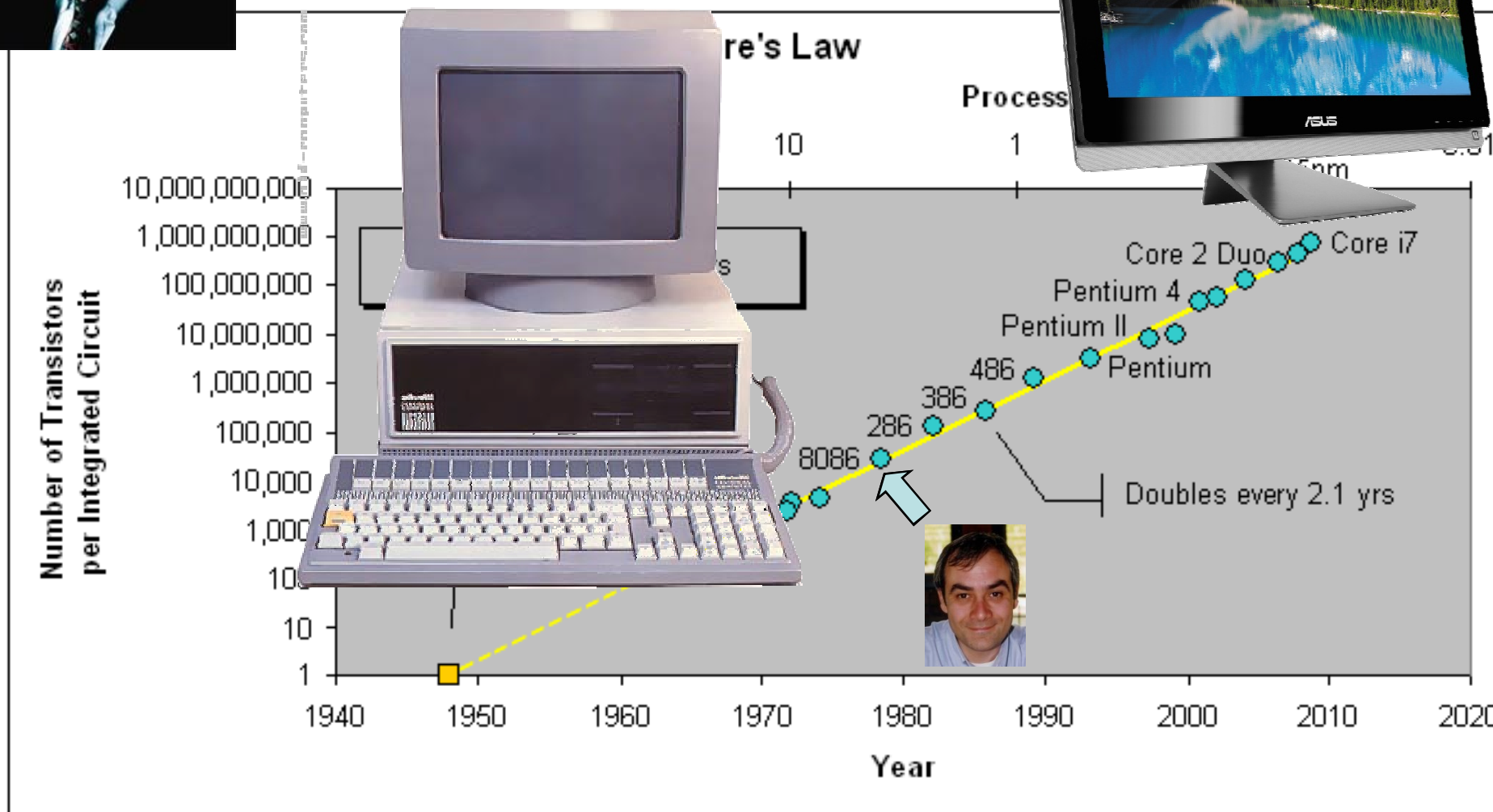
**Now, in what informatics has
influenced more in our daily life?**

**Well, we probably summarize the
answer in only one word:**

Time

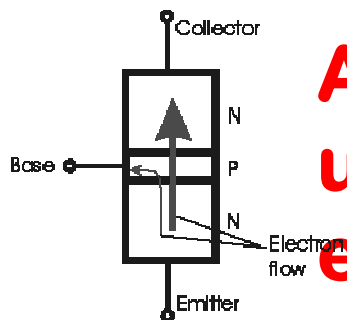


Informatics as synonym of speed?



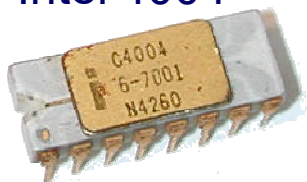


just for informatics addicted!



A *transistor* is a semiconductor device used to *amplify* and *switch* (on/off) electronic signals and electrical power.

Processor	Transistor count	Date of introduction	Manufacturer	Process	Area
Intel 4004	2,300	1971	Intel	10 μm	12 mm^2



Xbox One
Main SoC

5,000,000,000

2013

Microsoft
/AMD

28 nm 363 mm^2





couple of concrete example..

Informatics helps us to solve simple problems a number of times:

Calculate the molecular weight is trivial thing, calculate 4.5 million ... less!

or solve very complex problems:

Calculate, for example, the binding energy (ΔG_{bind} , kcal x mol) between a ligand and its receptor!



And now back to the future...

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (1950's)

The ability of a computer program or a machine to think like humans do.



MACHINE LEARNING (1980's)

Subfield of AI giving machines the skills to learn from examples without being explicitly programmed.

Examples: Fraud detection, marketing personalization, email classification

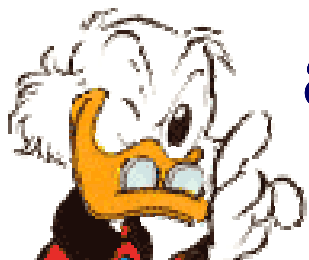


DEEP LEARNING (2010)

Specialized machine learning technique enabling machines to train themselves to perform tasks.

Examples: Image classification, vehicle detection, sentiment analysis

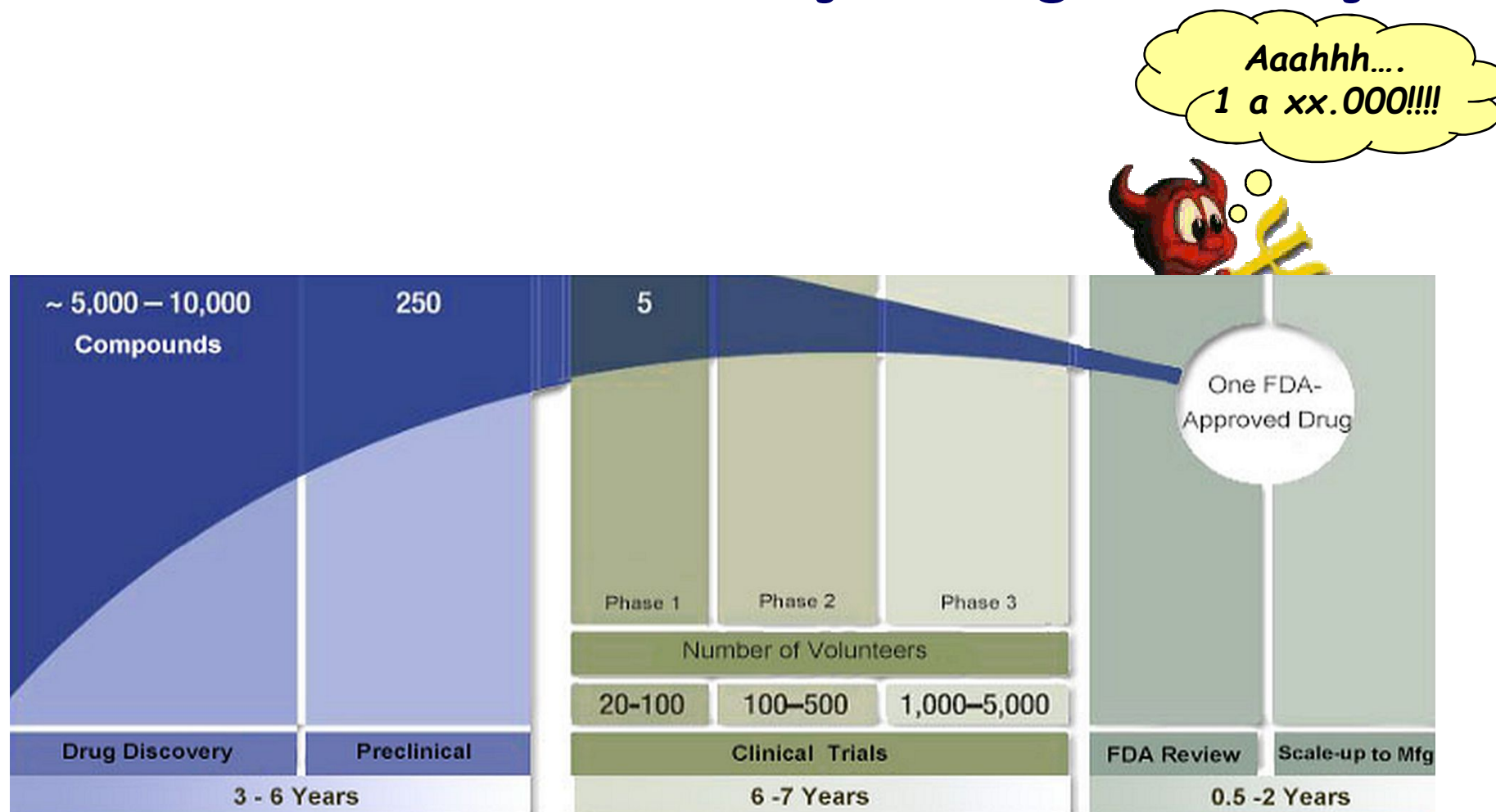




and remember... “Time is money!”



but *time* is the worse enemy in drug discovery...



**Bringing a new drug to market can take 8-14 years
and costs between \$400 and \$900 million**

A blockbuster is a drug with more than \$1 billion per year in sales.

Top 10 Drugs by Monthly Prescription

Rank	Drug (Brand Name)	Drug (Active Principle)	Total Prescriptions June 2014 - June 2015
1	Synthroid	Levothyroxine sodium	21,561,481
2	Crestor	Rosuvastatin calcium	21,478,776
3	Ventolin HFA	Salbutamol sulfate	18,203,939
4	Nexium	Esomeprazole magnesium	15,298,228
5	Advair Diskus	Fluticasone propionate	13,776,325
6	Lantus Solostar	Insulin glargine	10,939,840
7	Vyvanse	Lisdexamfetamine	10,413,999
8	Lyrica	Pregabalin	10,022,365
9	Spiriva Handihaler	Tiotropium bromine	9,635,935
10	Januvia	sitagliptin	9,148,946

... how many new age drugs do you find in this list?

A blockbuster is a drug with more than \$1 billion per year in sales.

Top 10 Drugs by Sales

Rank	Drug (Brand Name)	Drug (Active Principle)	Sales Through June 2014
1 (14)	Abilify	Aripiprazolo	\$7,240,043,661
2 (63)	Humira	Adalimumab	\$6,310,742,887
3	Nexium	Esomeprazole magnesium	\$6,303,738,580
4 (2)	Crestor	Rosuvastatin calcium	\$5,672,991,435
5 (72)	Enbrel	Etanercept	\$5,097,263,350
6 (5)	Advair Diskus	Fluticasone propionate	\$5,064,138,456
7 (>100)	Sovaldi	Sofosbuvir (EpaC)	\$4,469,558,675
8 (>100)	Remicade	Infliximab	\$4,342,356,359
9 (7)	Lantus Solostar	Insulin glargine	\$3,829,943,226
10 (>100)	Neulasta	Pegfilgrastim	\$3,688,450,342

... and here?



Some details about costs:

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You understand why it is so attractive to the pharmaceutical industry?



... a bit of:





I know very well that you know what drug is... but reconsider its definition in this way:

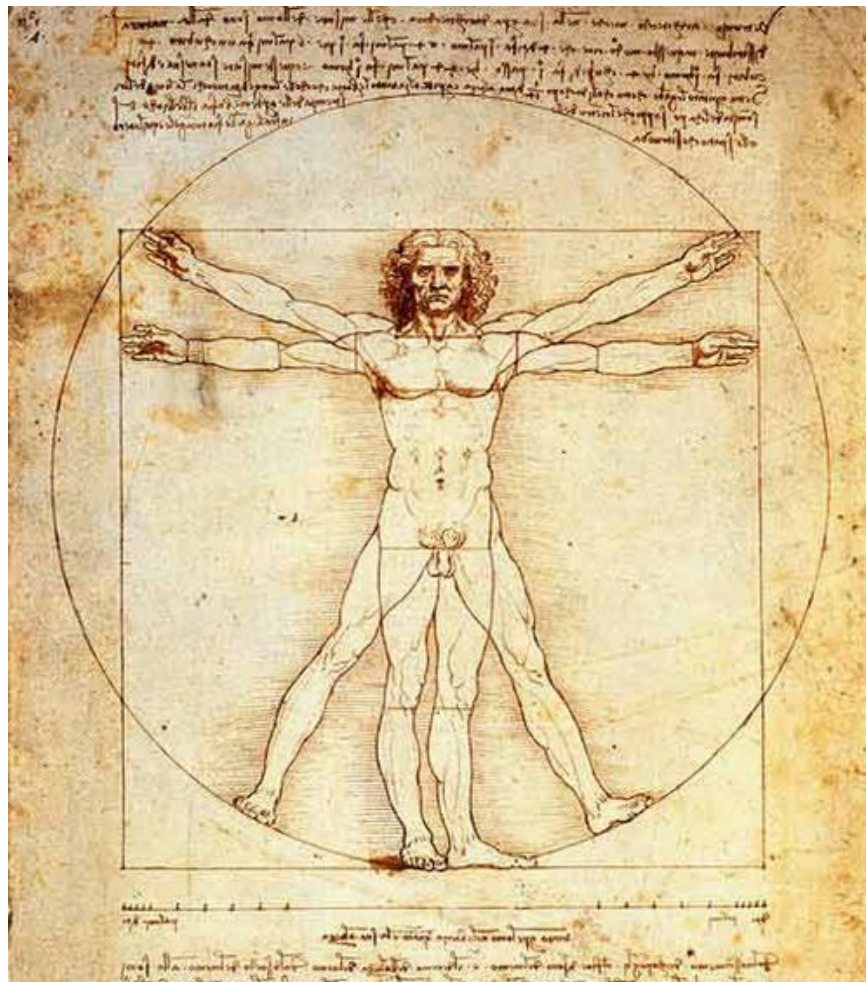
Drug:

[from gr. φάρμακον] *Any substance, organic or inorganic, synthetic or natural, capable of producing in a **living organism** functional modifications, helpful or harmful, by chemical action, physical chemistry or physics.*

Dizionario Treccani

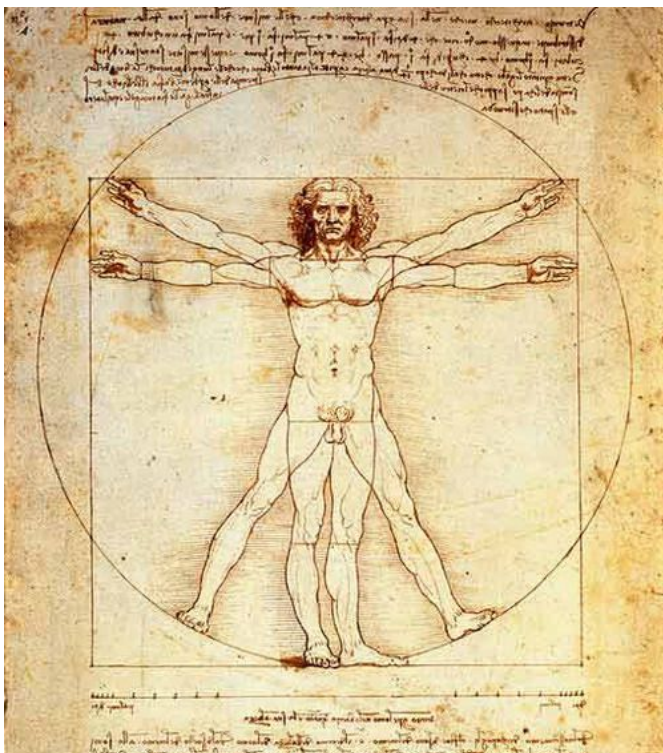


... and a '*living organism*' is difficult to accommodate in a design process (drawing and calculations), though ...





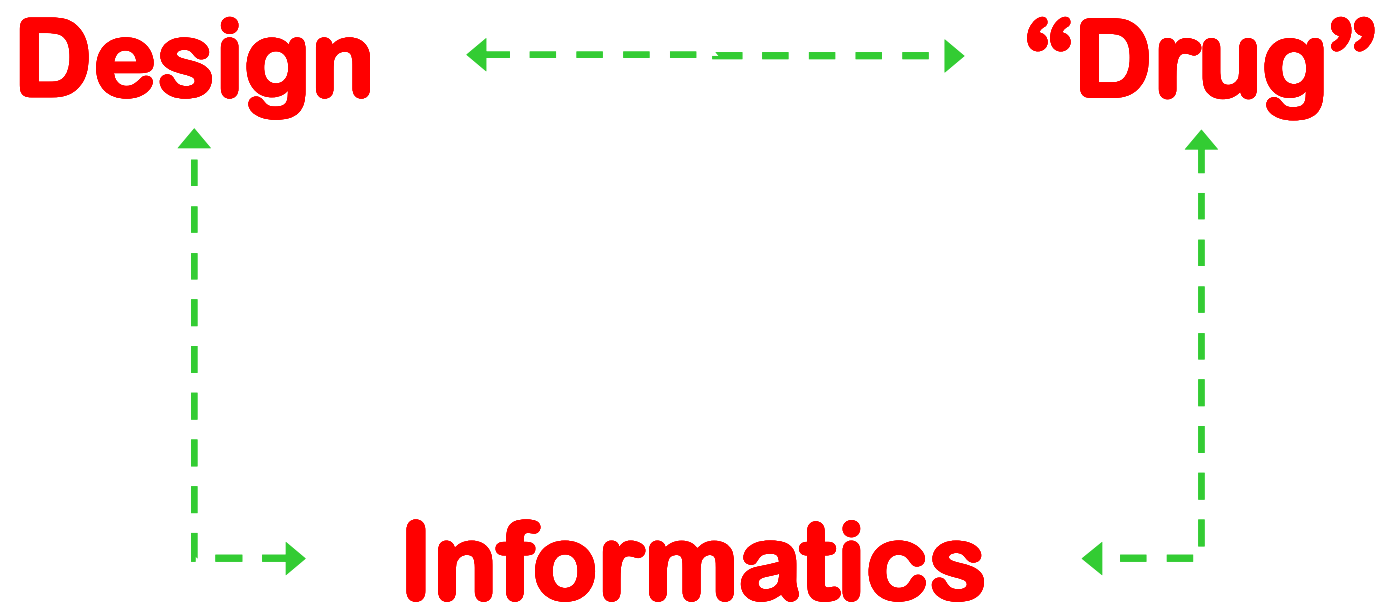
... I suspect that you could have a sensation like this:



We will return later on this concept...



Why we need “drug” design?





Why we need “*drug*” design?

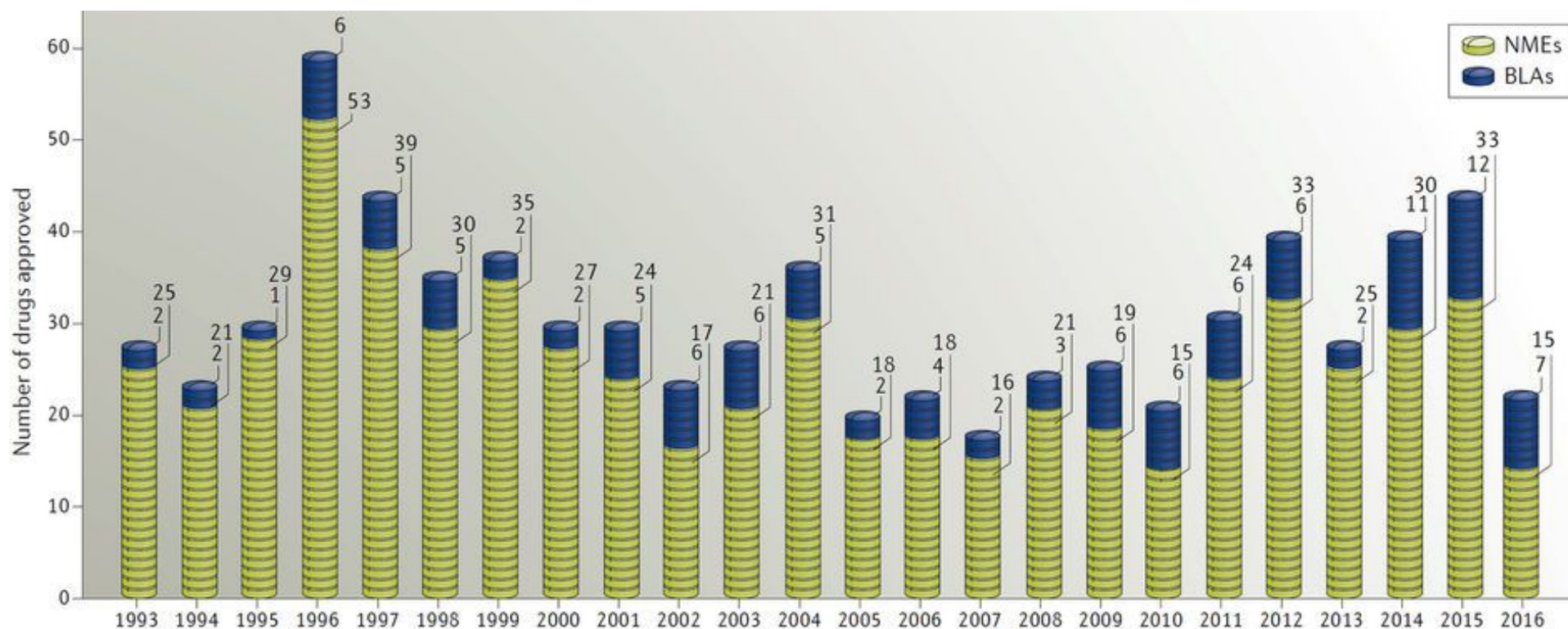
Drug discovery is a extremely competitive activity!

a. ~ 1600 companies;

b. ~ 6000 R&D projects.



Drug discovery statistics:



Nature Reviews | Drug Discovery

http://www.nature.com/nrd/journal/v16/n2/fig_tab/nrd.2017.14_F1.html



First in class:

A Novel Drug or a New Molecular Entity (NME) is an active compound, complex, molecule that previously has not been approved by the FDA/EMA.



This is distinct from a First in class drug which introduces a new mechanism of action for treating a medical condition.

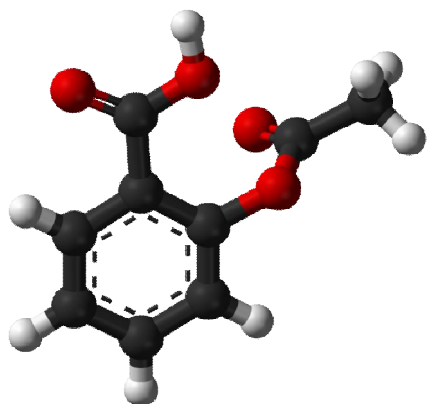


NME versus BLA in one slide...

Vintage drugs

ASPIRINE

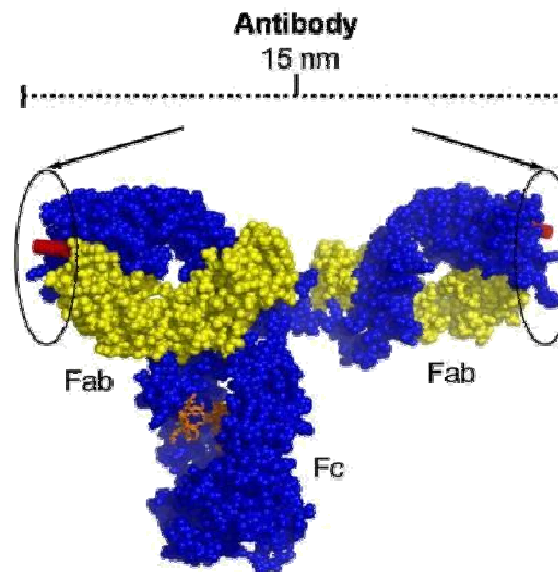
- 1. small molecule***
- 2. 180 Da***
- 3. 21 atoms***
- 4. usually not immunogenic***
- 5. usually chemically stable***



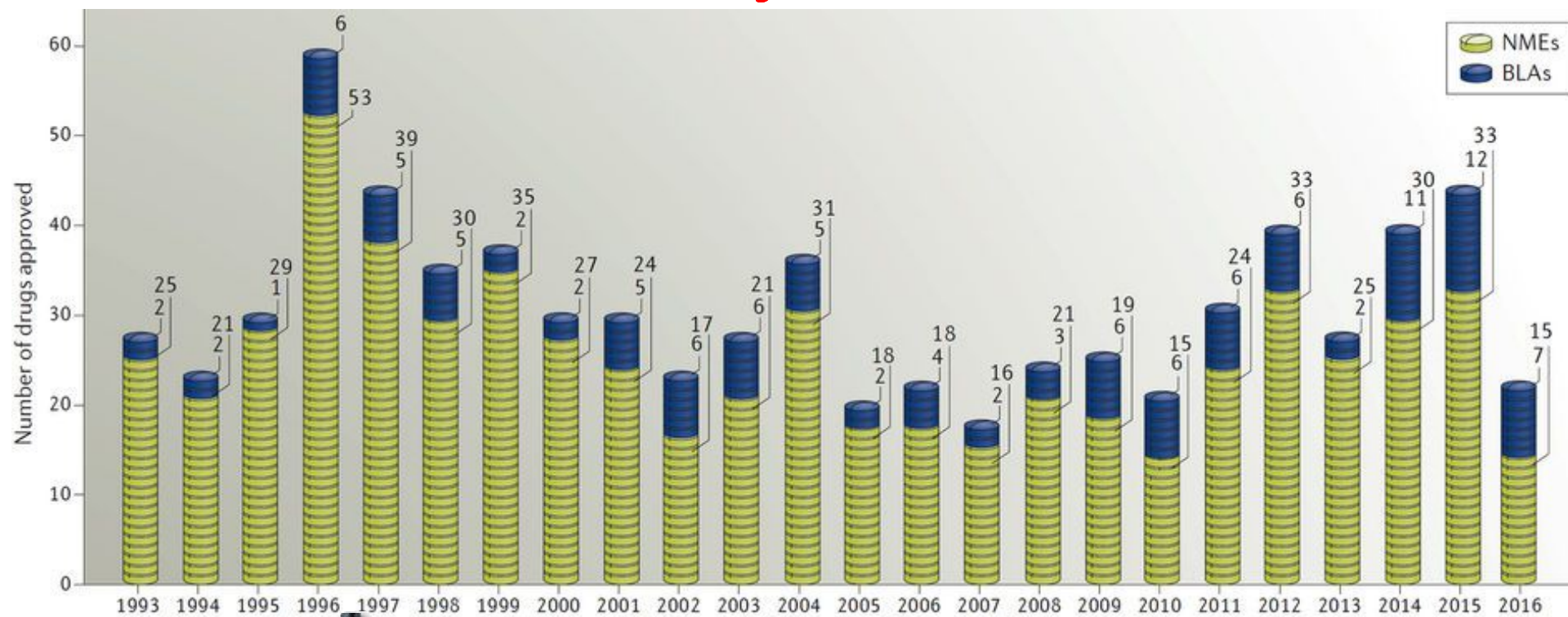
New age (biotech) drugs

MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY (mAb)

- 1. macromolecule***
- 2. 150'000 Da***
- 3. 20'000 atoms***
- 4. usually immunogenic***
- 5. usually chemically instable***



Why has the pharmaceutical industry apparently not benefited from the sci/tech revolutions of the last few years?





Why we need “*drug*” design?

xx.000 to 1?

**Is this ratio really acceptable
for a pharma company?**



But unfortunately “*drug*” is not designable, yet!

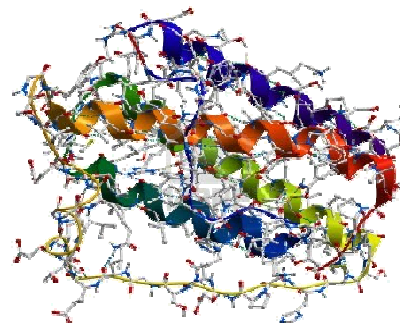
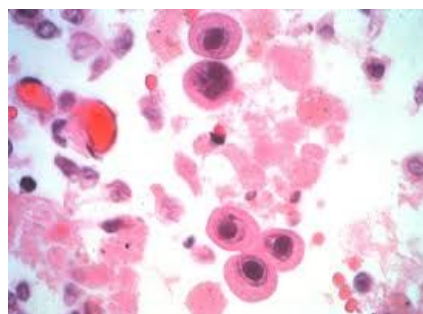
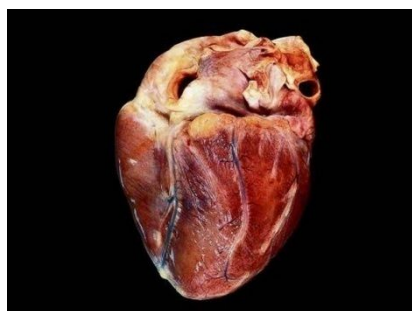
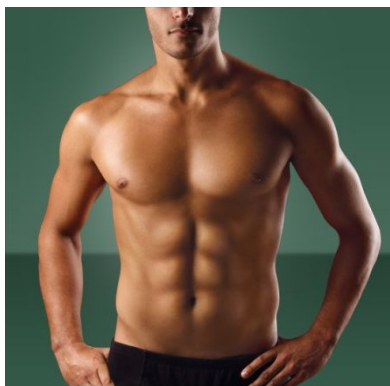
Could we suggest a possible substitute of “*drug*” that is more easily designable?

To do this we have to necessarily replace the concept of *living organism* !



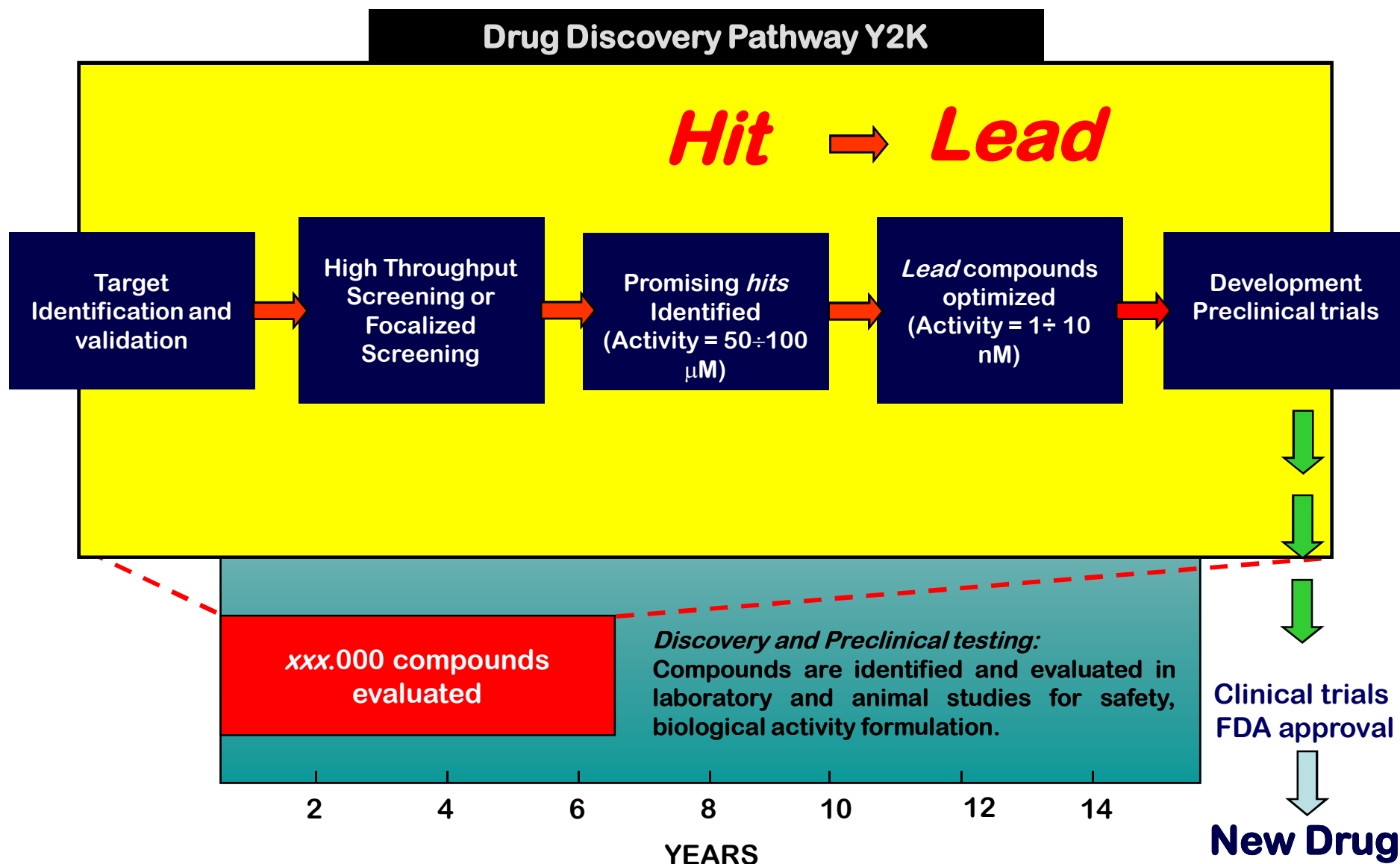
An egoistic solution:

drug



candidate

The “right” road to drug discovery?





Do you remember?

Biological Space

Profiling

Chemical Space

	TargetA	TargetB	TargetC	TargetD	TargetN
Comp.1	$K_1(A)$	$K_1(B)$	$K_1(C)$	$K_1(D)$	$K_1(N)$
Comp.2	$K_2(A)$	$K_2(B)$	$K_2(C)$	$K_2(D)$	$K_2(N)$
Comp.3	$K_3(A)$	$K_3(B)$	$K_3(C)$	$K_3(D)$	$K_3(N)$
Comp.4	$K_4(A)$	$K_4(B)$	$K_4(C)$	$K_4(D)$	$K_4(N)$
Comp.n	$K_n(A)$	$K_n(B)$	$K_n(C)$	$K_n(D)$	$K_n(N)$

Screening Chemical Proteomics



Hit to lead ...

- **hits**
 - active in assay
 - defined and confirmed structures
 - drug-like potential

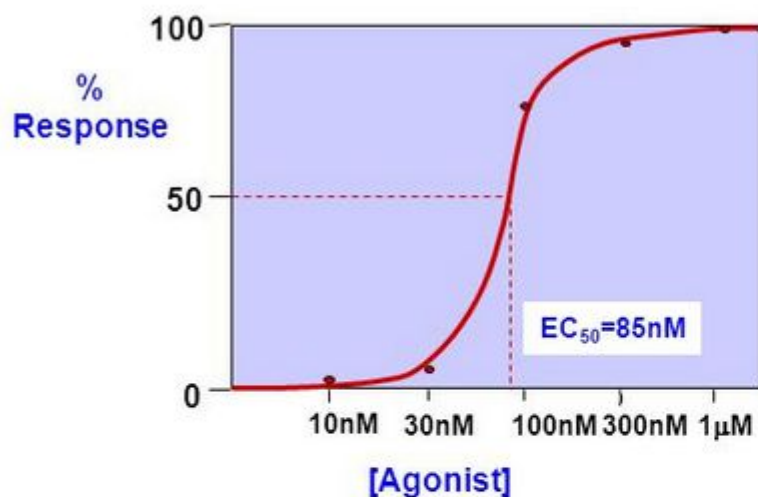
HTS hits from this database typically show micromolar activity with a median “pPotency” of 6. The median molecular mass and lipophilicity (logP) was 359 Da and 3.8, respectively.





when potency is a good potency?

Dose-Response Curves



Enzyme Inhibitors (competitive):

Measure inhibition at differing concentrations of 'drug'.

IC₅₀ - The inhibitor concentration that causes a 50% reduction in intrinsic enzyme activity

$$pIC_{50} = -\log_{10}(IC_{50})$$

$$IC_{50} \ 1\mu M = pIC_{50} \ 6.0$$

$$IC_{50} \ 1nM = pIC_{50} \ 9.0$$

Agonists: Measure % Response vs Agonist concentration

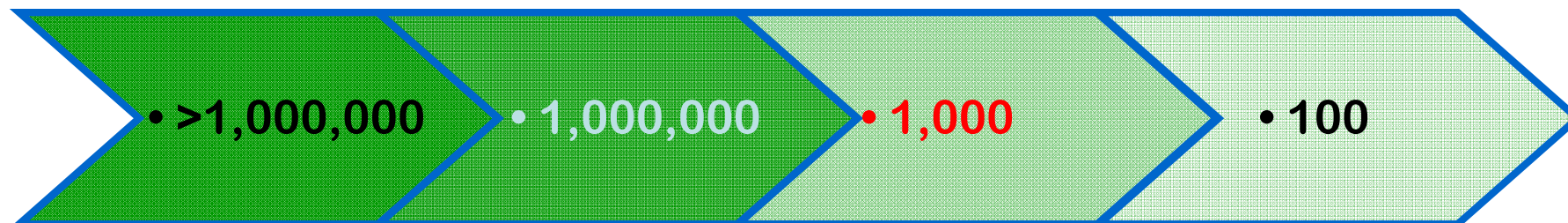
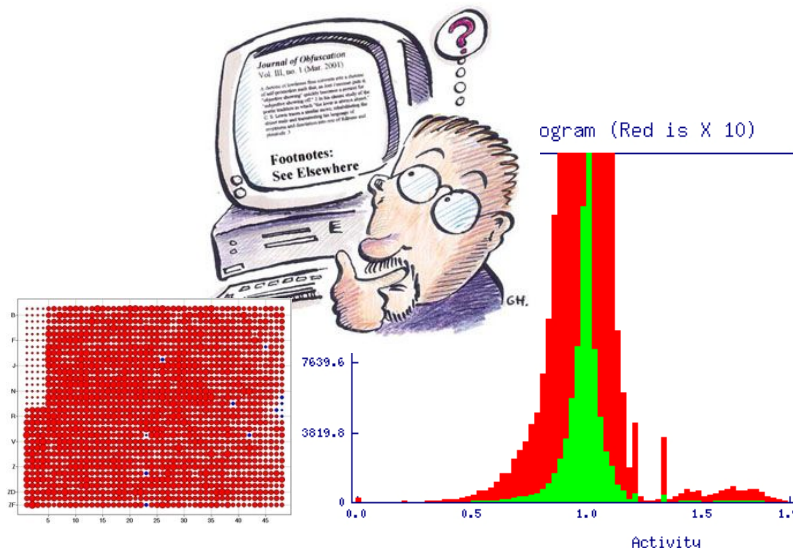
EC₅₀ - The agonist concentration that causes 50% of the maximum response. $pEC_{50} = -\log_{10}(EC_{50})$

Antagonists: Situation more complex. Antagonists displace the agonist dose-response curve rightwards – most accurate measure of potency (**pA₂**) requires measurement of agonist binding at multiple concentrations of antagonist

For a drug, typically target affinity values of $pIC_{50} \geq 8$ (<10 nM concentration)



the “*hit-to-lead* paradigm”: clear the xxx.000:1 ratio?



• *Initial HTS campaign*

• *Quality control*

• *Primary hit selection*

• *Hit validation*

Bleicher *et al.* (2003) *Nat. Rev. Drug Discov.*, 2, 369



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... if we could suggest that chemical compounds could be more hits than other !!!



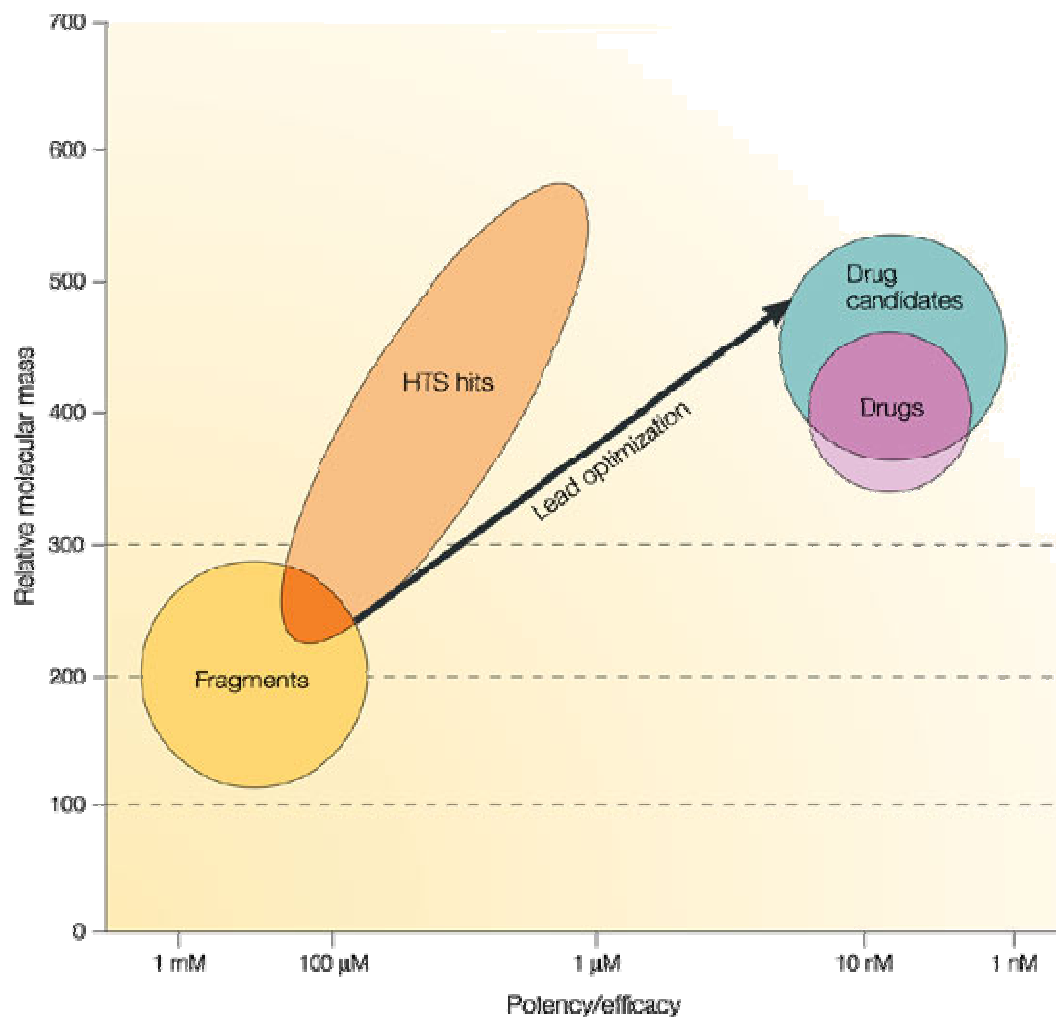
Hit to lead ...

- **leads**
 - potency established
 - selectivity/specificity
 - Mechanism of action (MOA) established
 - *in vivo* efficacy
 - ADME/Tox
 - pharmaceutically acceptable





when potency is a good potency?



David C. Rees, Miles Congreve,, Christopher W. Murray & Robin Carr Nature Reviews Drug Discovery 3, 660-672, 2004

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I don't have to add anything !!!

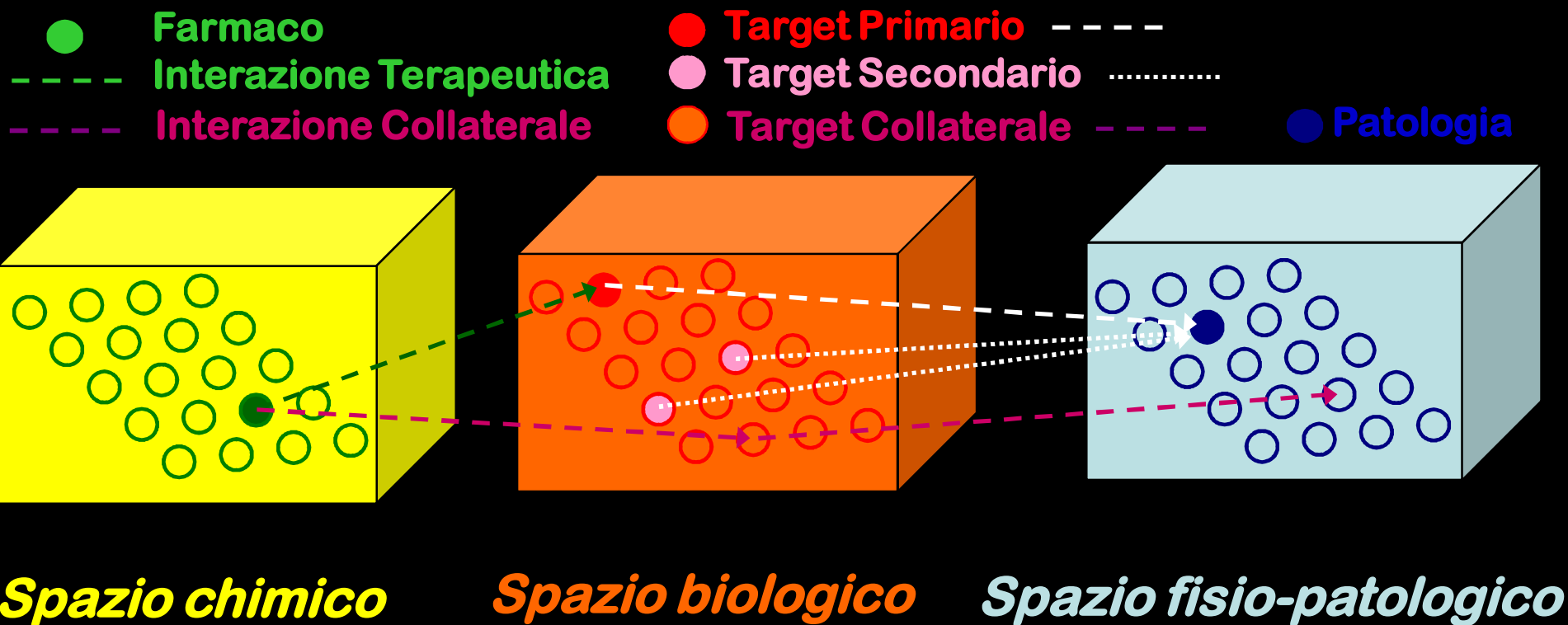
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Possiamo schematizzare questa definizione in modo più farmaceutico?



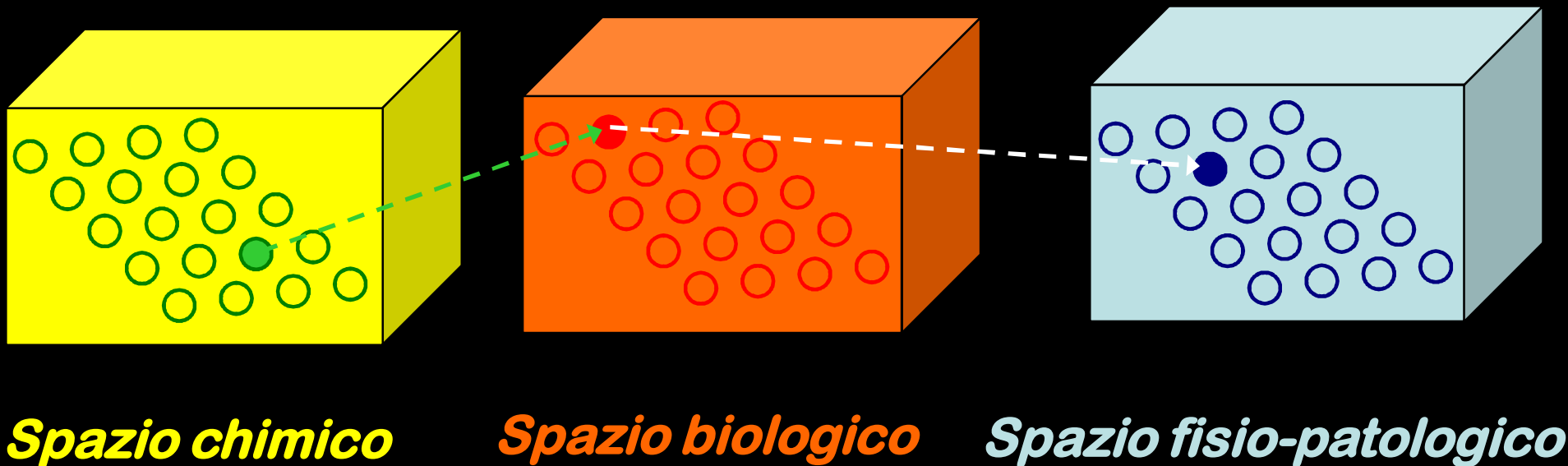


Per molto tempo abbiamo schematizzando troppo descrivendo il tutto attraverso una stechiometria 1 : 1 : 1

● Farmaco
- - - - Interazione Terapeutica

● Target Primario

● Patologia



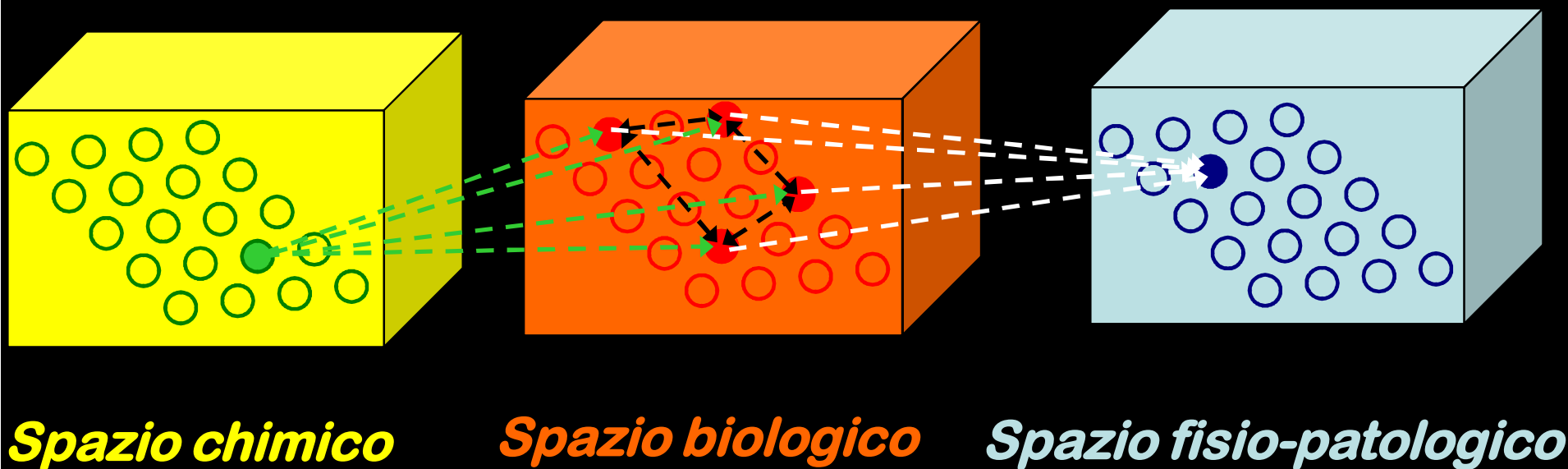


Ma le cose stanno rapidamente cambiando e oggi si parla sempre di più di farmaci *multi-targets* dove il tutto passa attraverso una stechiometria 1 : N :1

● Farmaco
- - - - Interazione Terapeutica

● Rete di Targets

● Patologia



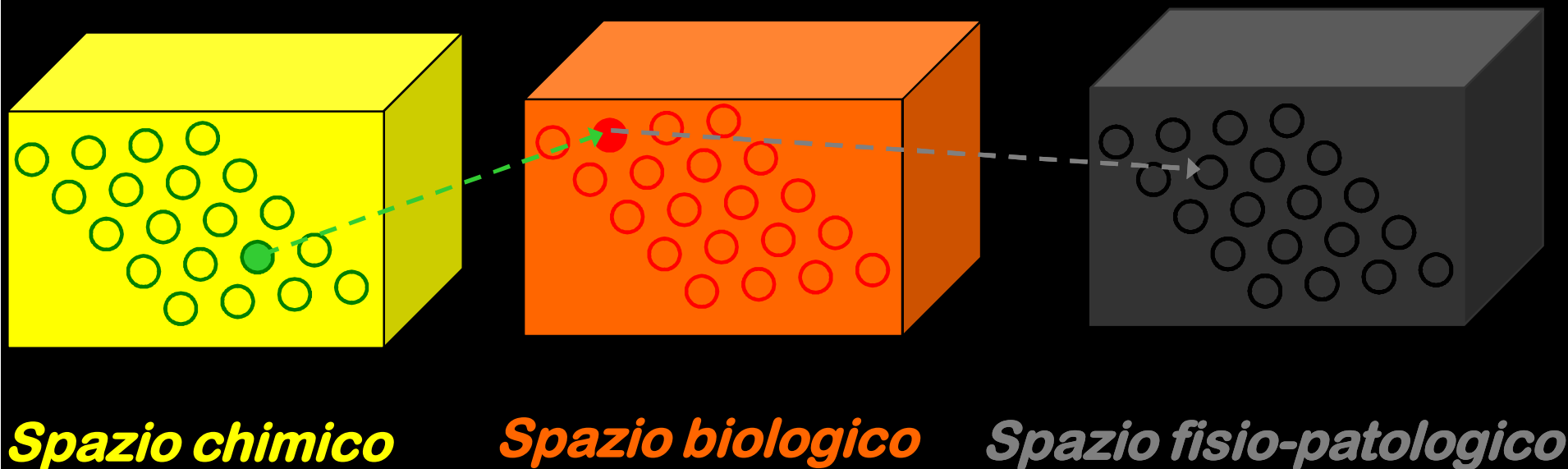
comincia l'era della *poli-farmacologia*



e quindi tendiamo a privilegiare gli spazi dove ci troviamo di più a nostro agio... molto umano!!!

● Farmaco
- - - - Interazione Terapeutica

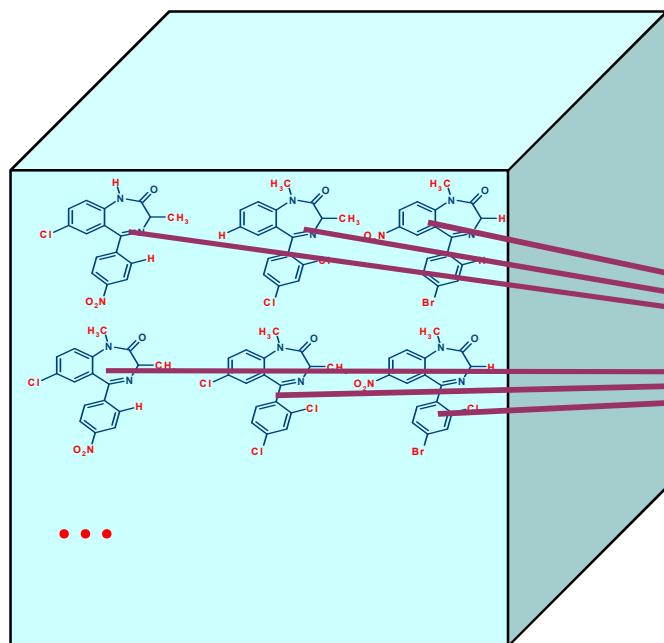
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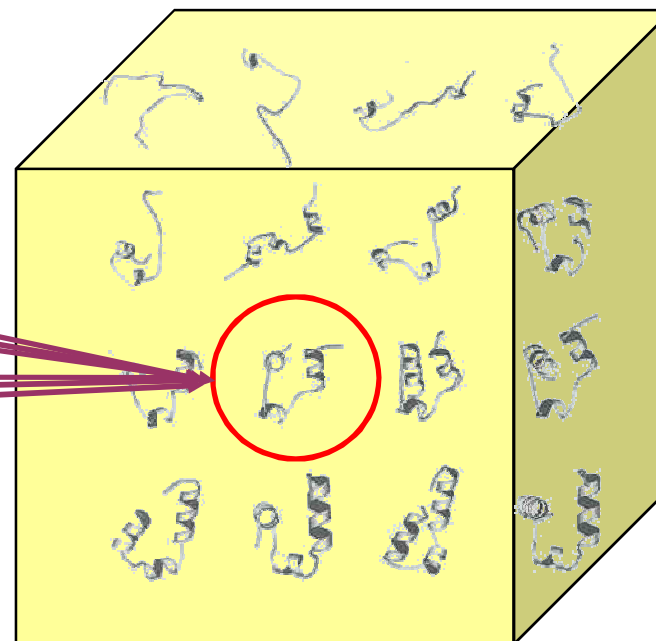


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Chemical Space



Biological Space



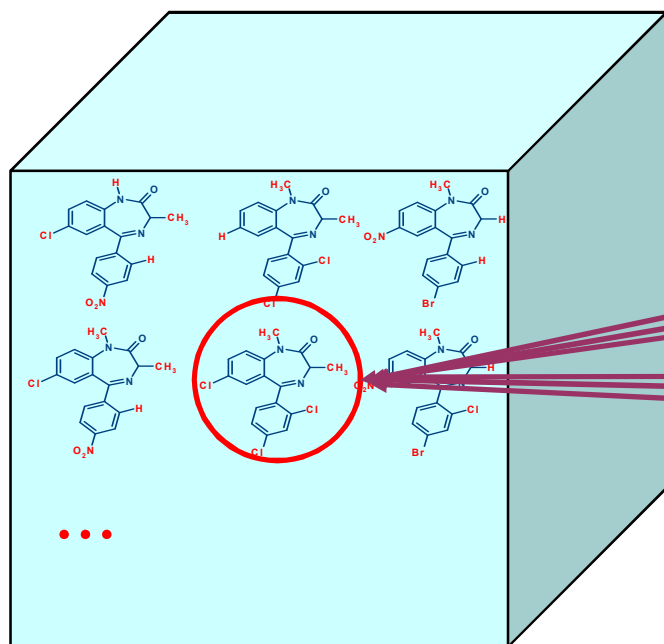
SCREENING

Affinità → K_d ; EC_{50} ...

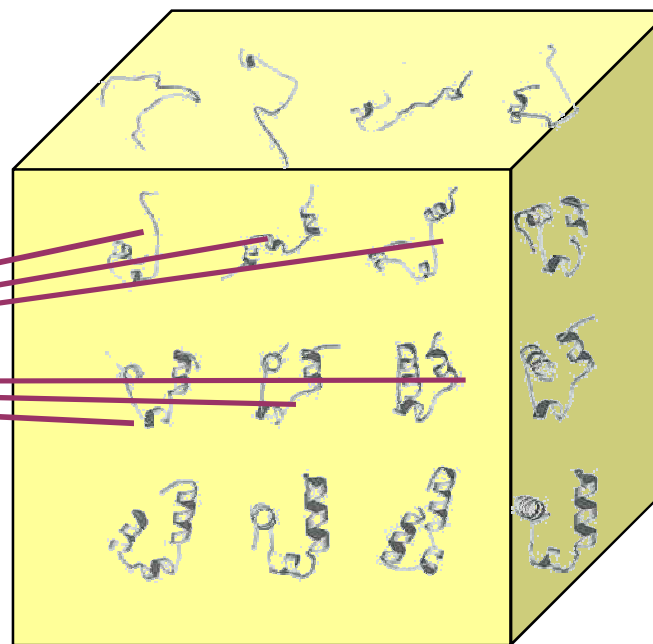


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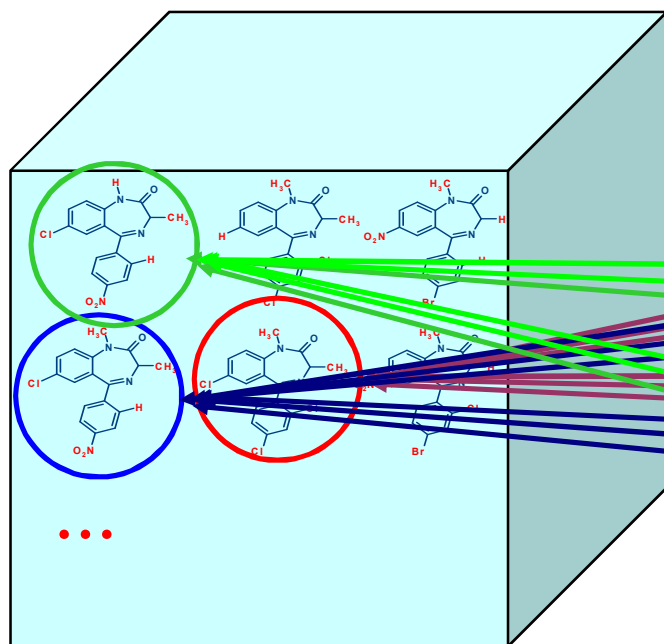
PROFILING

Selettività $\rightarrow K_d(A)/K_d(B); EC_{50}(A)/EC_{50}(B) \dots$

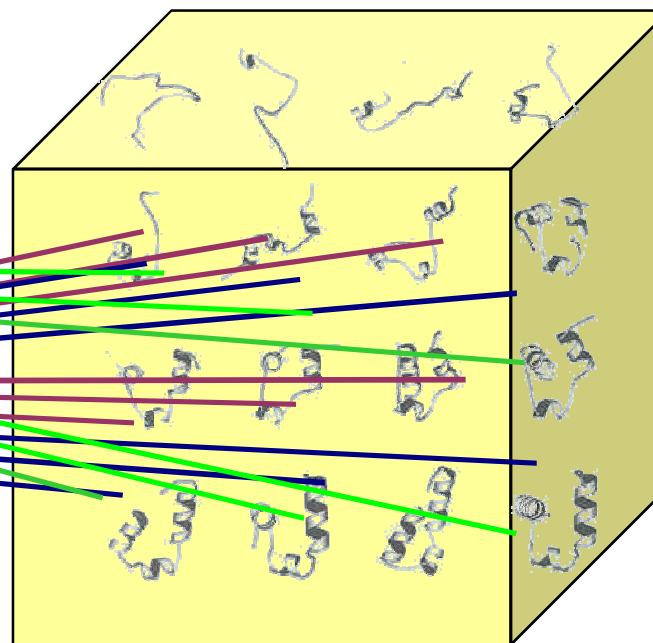


ma qui potrebbe allora aprirsi un nuovo scenario...

Chemical Space



Biological Space



CHEMICAL GENOMICS/PROTEOMICS