



## Drug Discovery Case Studies

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Basilus Besler  
Hortus Eystettensis  
Eichstätt, 1613

Squill  
(*Scilla alba* =  
*Urginea maritima*)





## Theriak

originally a mixture of 54 materials, as antidote against all kind of poisons (1st century B.C. till 18th century), used also as a remedy against the plague.

Public theriak preparation at a market.



## The Stone of Folley

Hieronymus Bosch  
(~1450 - 1516)

„Master snyt die keye ras.  
Myne name is Lubbert das“

A quack docter, assisted by a priest and a nun, extracts the „stone of folly“ from the brain of a patient.

## The Doctrine of Signatures: „Nature helps Mankind“



Mistletoe, *Viscum album*



St. John's Wort,  
*Hypericum perforatum*



Truelove, *Paris quadrifolia*

„Diß Beerlein ist von Gestalt wie ein Augapfel oder Äuglein anzusehen ... Zu den kranken und bösen Augen / ein sehr nützlich und heilsamb Kraut ist“ (Johannes Francke, 1618)

## Heroic Times: Who Is a Good Surgeon ?

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Simpson, 1847: Chloroform

Liebreich, 1868/69: Chloral hydrate as  
„prodrug“ of chloroform

Schmiedeberg, 1885: Urethane as  
„prodrug“ of ethanol

Dreser, 1899: i-Amyl carbamate (Hedonal)

von Mering 1903: first barbiturate Barbiton (Barbara / Barbara day)



Queen Victoria (1819-1901)  
1853 \* Prince Leopold

## A. W. Hofmann (1818-1892)

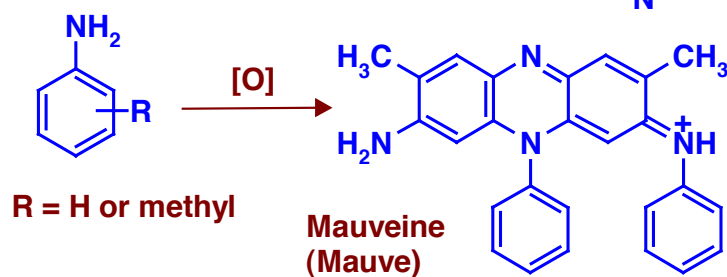
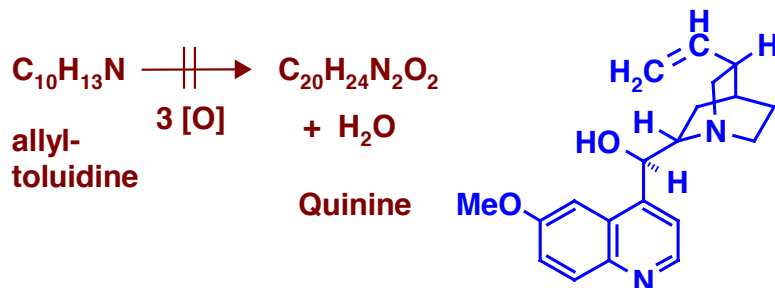


1845: Queen  
Victoria visits  
Germany; Prince  
Albert engages  
August Wilhelm  
Hofmann

1856: Hofmann asks  
the 18-years old student  
William H. Perkin to  
synthesize quinine by  
oxidation of allyl-toluidine



## Lack of Success in a Quinine Synthesis (1856)

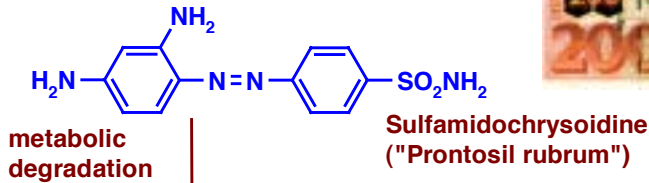
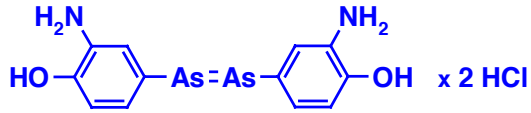
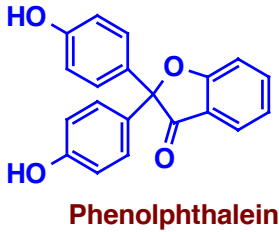


## A. W. Hofmann (1818-1892) and W. H. Perkin (1838-1907)

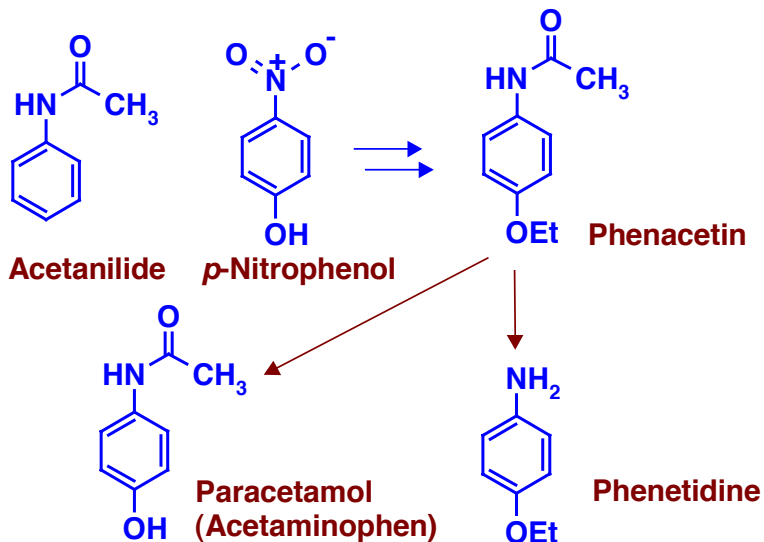


1862: Queen Victoria wears a dress in mauve color

## Dyestuffs as Drugs

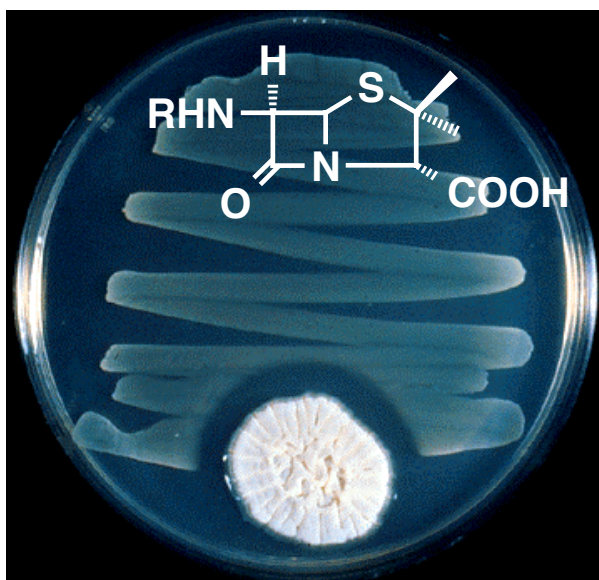
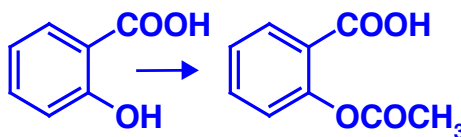


## Discovery of Acetanilide and Phenacetin





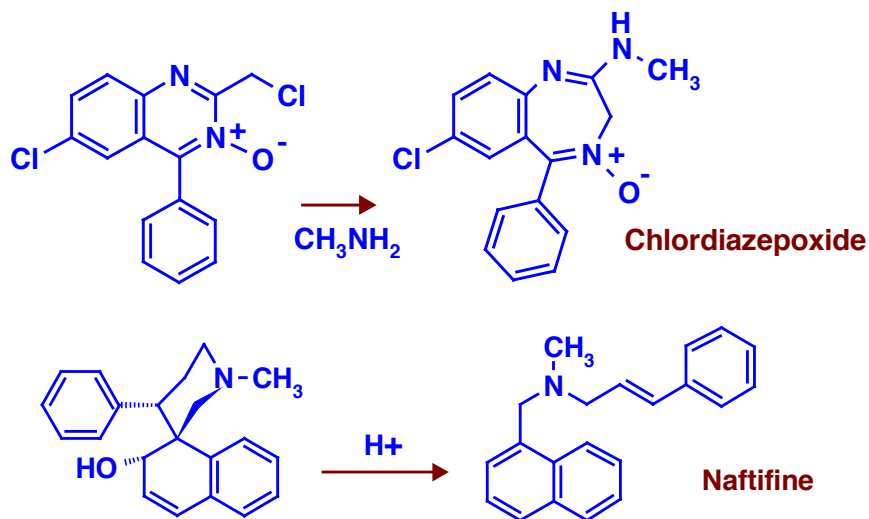
**Aspirin<sup>®</sup>**  
**(Felix Hoffmann, 1897)**



„Penicillin  
happened,  
it came out  
of the blue.“

**A. Fleming,  
1930**

## Unexpected Rearrangement Products



## Survival of Frogs in a Septic Environment



Michael A. Zasloff  
(NIH)

Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci.  
USA 84, 5449-5453  
(1987)

### Magainine

an antibacterial 23-aa peptide,  
**GIGKFLHSAKKFGKAFVGEIMNS**  
(amphipathic helix formation ?),  
does not induce resistance.  
A potential acne treatment ?



## Serendipitous Drug Discoveries

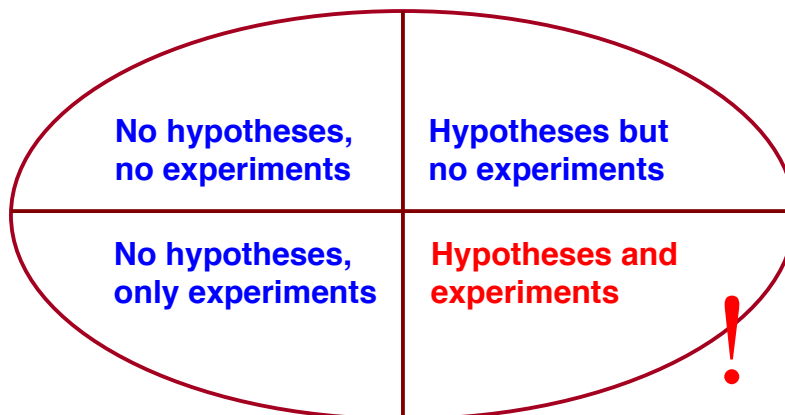
Acetanilide, Acetylsalicylic acid, Aminoglutethimide, Amphetamine, Chloral hydrate, Chlordiazepoxide, Chlorpromazine, Cinnarizine, Cisplatin, Clonidine, Cromoglycate, Cyclosporin, Dichloroisoproterenol, Dicoumarol, Diethylstilbestrol, Diphenhydramine, Diphenoxylate, Disulfiram, Ether, Etomidate, Griseofulvin, Guanethidine, Haloperidol, Heparin, Imipramine, Iproniazid, Isoniazid, Levamisole, Lithium carbonate, Lysergide (LSD), Meprobamate, Merbaphen, Methaqualone, Mifepristone, Naftifine, Nalorphine, Nitrogen mustard, Nitroglycerine, Nitrous oxide, Norethynodrel/Mestranol, Penicillin, Pethidine (Meperidine), Phenylbutazone, Phenolphthalein, Praziquantel, Prednisone, Propafenone, Sulfamidochrysoidine, Sulfonamides, Tamoxifen, Urethane, Valproic acid, Warfarin.

**Sweeteners:** Saccharin, Cyclamate, Aspartame

R. M. Roberts, Serendipity - Accidental Discoveries in Science, John Wiley & Sons, New York, 1989.

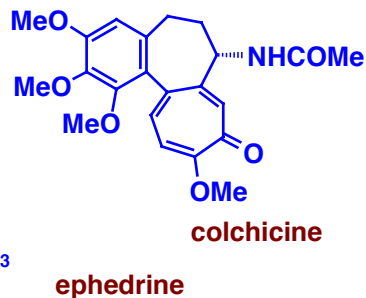
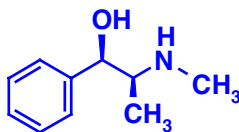
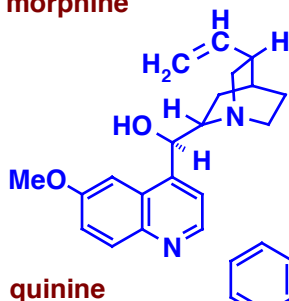
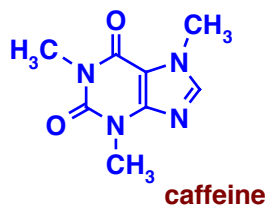
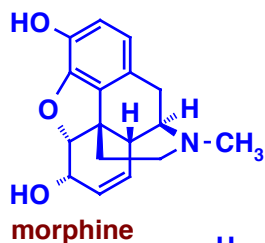
H. Kubinyi, Chance Favors the Prepared Mind. From Serendipity to Rational Drug Design, J. Receptor & Signal Transduction Research 19, 15-39 (1999).

## Four Possible Strategies in Research

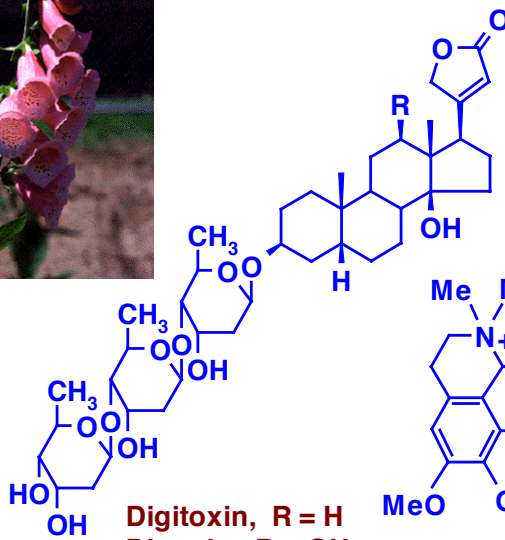


**Rolf Zinkernagel (Nobel prize in Medicine 1996)**

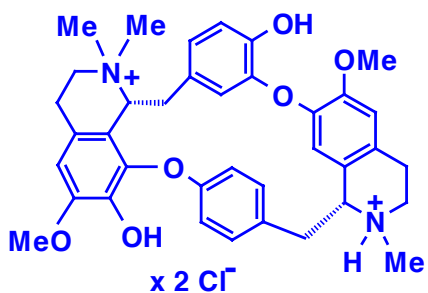
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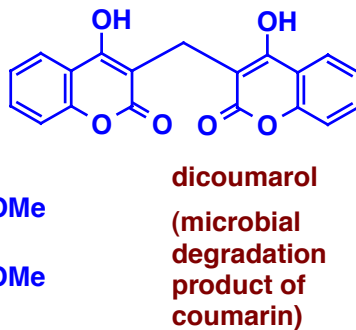
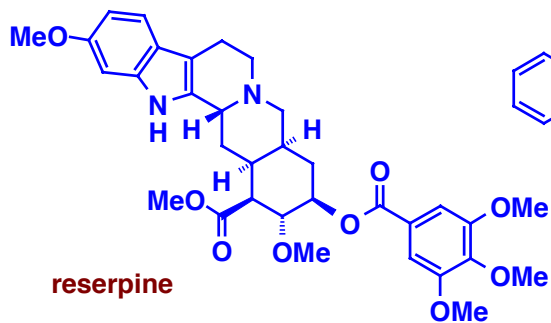
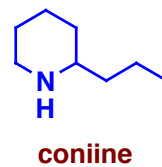
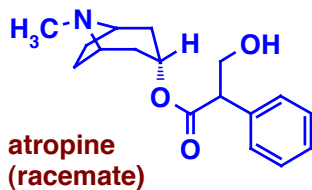
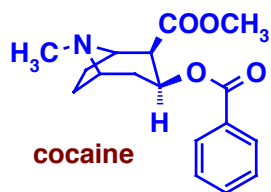
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**Tubocurarin**

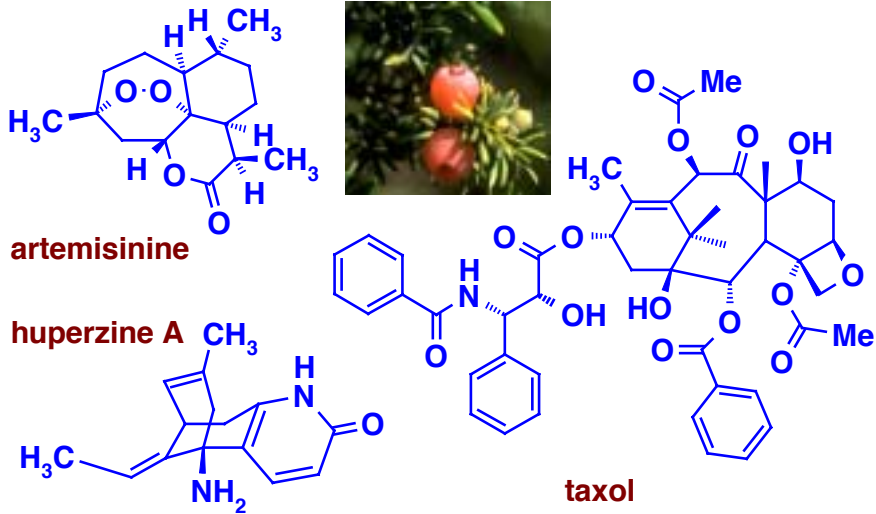


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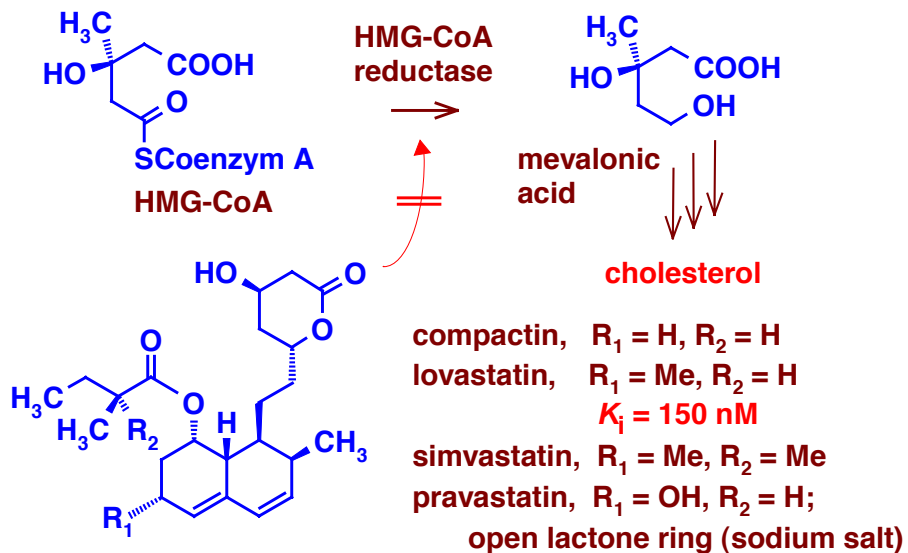


Jacques Louis David, The Last Hours of Socrates, MMA, New York

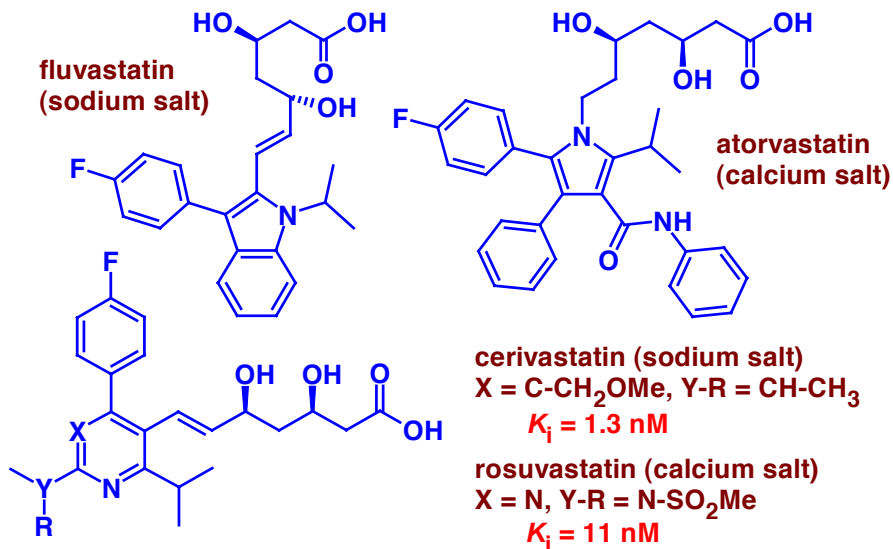
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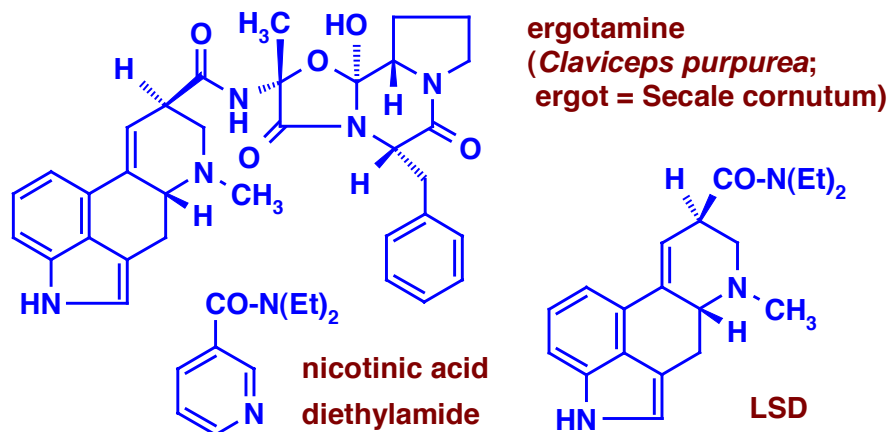
## Lead Structures: Microbial Natural Products



## Synthetic Statin Analogs

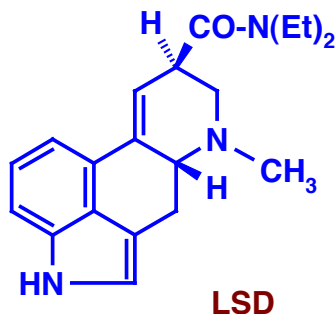


## Lead Structures: Other Natural Products Albert Hofmann and His Problem Child LSD



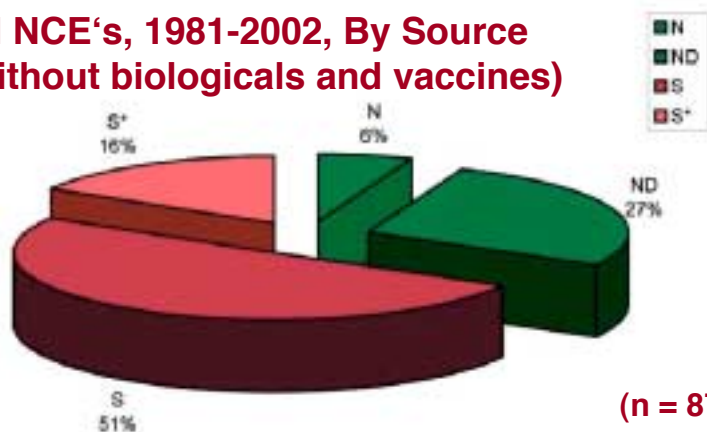


## Acute Toxicity of Lysergic Acid Diethylamide in Animals and Maximum Tolerated Dose in Man



Species	LD <sub>50</sub> in mg/kg
Mouse	50-60
Rat	16.5
Rabbit	0.3
Elephant	« 0.06
Man	» 0.003

## All NCE's, 1981-2002, By Source (without biologicals and vaccines)



N = natural products

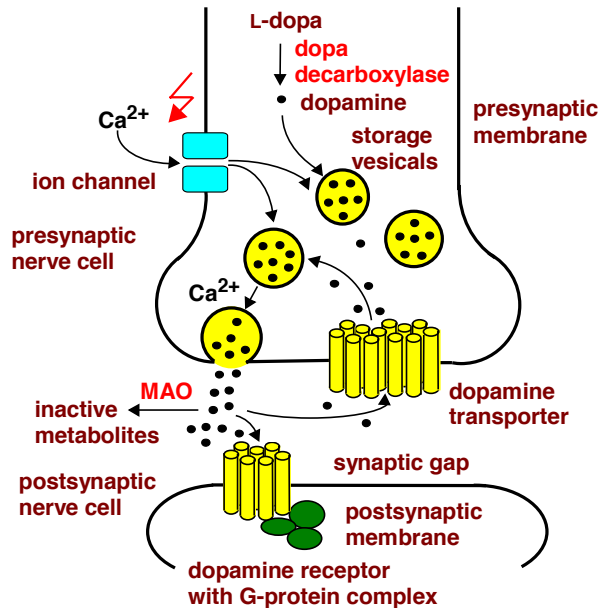
ND = derived from natural products

S = synthetic products

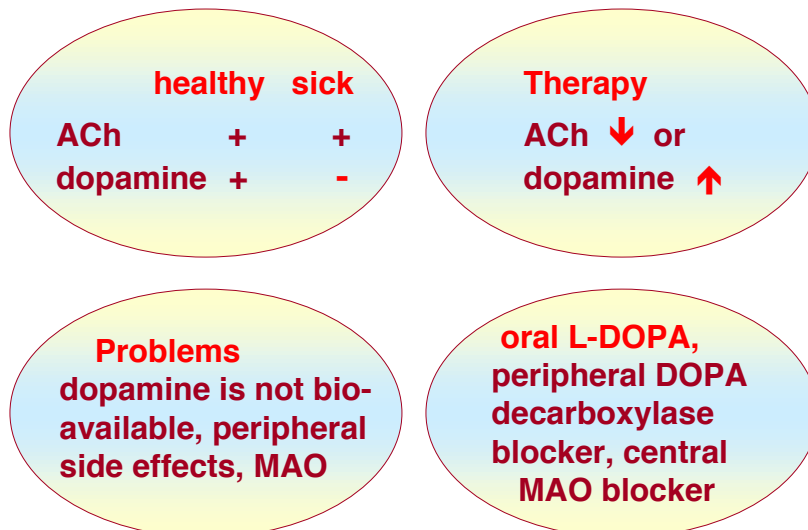
S\* = synthetics but pharmacophore derived from natural product

D. J. Newman et al., J. Nat. Prod. 66, 1022-1037 (2003)

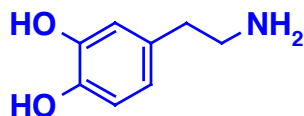
## Interaction of Enzymes, Receptors, Ion Channels and Transporters in the Transmission of the Electric Signal of a Nerve Cell



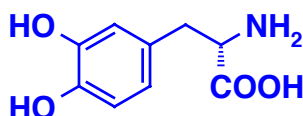
## A Rational Therapy of Parkinson's Disease



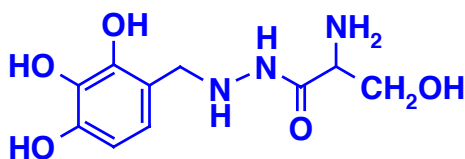
## Integrated Optimisation of Drug Therapy Dopamine Substitution in Parkinson's Disease



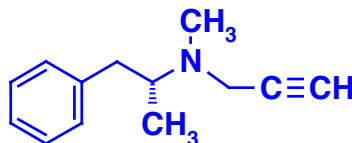
dopamine



L-dopa, a dopamine prodrug



benserazide



(R)-(-)-selegiline

## The Similarity Principle in Drug Design - Lead Optimization is an Evolutionary Procedure

Medicinal chemists, all the time, used the **similarity** of chemical compounds to **design new analogs of active leads**. Whenever they discovered compounds with improved activity, selectivity, pharmacokinetics, etc., they used these compounds to search **analogs with even further improved properties**. However, ...

## Isosteric Replacement of Atoms and Groups

Substituents: F, Cl, Br, I,  $\text{CF}_3$ ,  $\text{NO}_2$

Methyl, Ethyl, Isopropyl, Cyclopropyl, t.-Butyl,  
-OH, -SH,  $-\text{NH}_2$ , -OMe,  $-\text{N}(\text{Me})_2$

Linkers:  $-\text{CH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{NH}-$ ,  $-\text{O}-$

$-\text{COCH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{CONH}-$ ,  $-\text{COO}-$

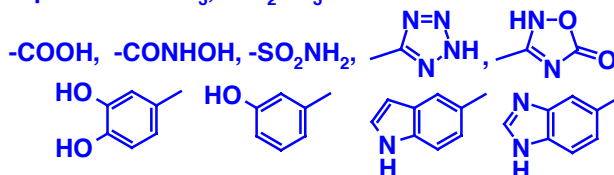
$>\text{C}=\text{O}$ ,  $>\text{C}=\text{S}$ ,  $>\text{C}=\text{NH}$ ,  $>\text{C}=\text{NOH}$ ,  $>\text{C}=\text{NOAlkyl}$

Atoms and Groups in Rings:  $-\text{CH}=$ ,  $-\text{N}=$

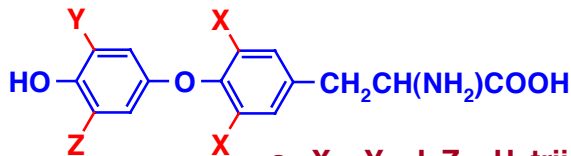
$-\text{CH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{NH}-$ ,  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{S}-$ ,

$-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ ,  $-\text{CH}_2-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ ,  $-\text{CH}=\text{N}-$

Large Groups:  $-\text{NHCOCH}_3$ ,  $-\text{SO}_2\text{CH}_3$



## Consequences of Isosteric Replacement

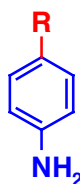


a,  $\text{X} = \text{Y} = \text{I}$ ,  $\text{Z} = \text{H}$ , triiodothyronine, T3

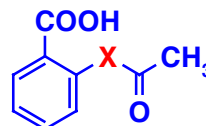
b,  $\text{X} = \text{Y} = \text{Z} = \text{I}$ , thyroxine, T4

c,  $\text{X} = \text{I}$ ,  $\text{Y} = \text{i-propyl}$ ,  $\text{Z} = \text{H}$

d,  $\text{X} = \text{CH}_3$ ,  $\text{Y} = \text{i-propyl}$ ,  $\text{Z} = \text{H}$



p-aminobenzoic acid,  
 $\text{R} = \text{COOH}$   
sulfanilamide,  $\text{R} = \text{SO}_2\text{NH}_2$



$\text{X} = -\text{O}-$   
acetylsalicylic acid

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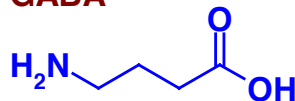
### Inhibition of Carbonic Anhydrase by Sulfonamides

$\text{CH}_3\text{SO}_2\text{NH}_2$ ,  $K_i = 100 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $\text{pK}_a = 10.5$

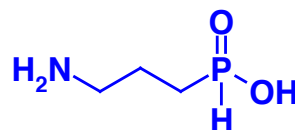
$\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{NH}_2$ ,  $K_i = 2 \text{ nM}$ ,  $\text{pK}_a = 5.8$

### Specificity of GABA Receptor Ligands

GABA

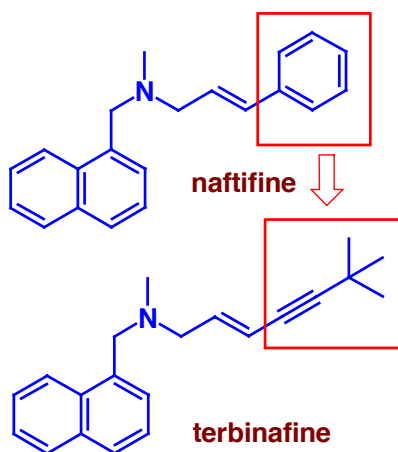


GABA<sub>A</sub>      GABA<sub>B</sub>  
receptor affinity  
 $\text{IC}_{50} = 20 \text{ nM}$        $20 \text{ nM}$

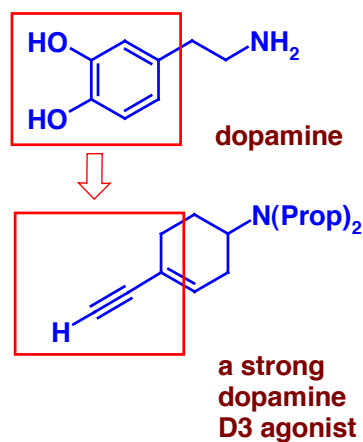


$\text{IC}_{50} = 4,500 \text{ nM}$        $1 \text{ nM}$

## Isosteric Replacement of Aromatic Rings



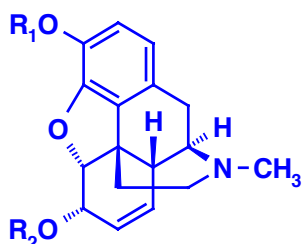
A. Stütz, *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Engl.* **26**, 320-328 (1987)



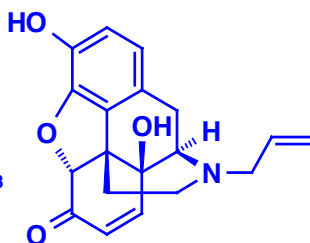
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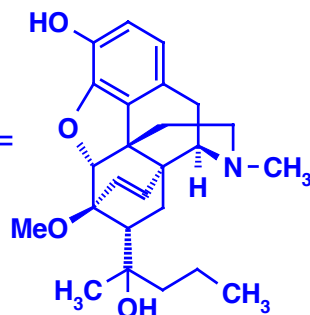
## Morphine and its Derivatives



**morphine**,  $R_1 = R_2 = H$   
**heroin**,  $R_1 = R_2 = \text{acetyl}$   
 (opiates)  
**codeine**,  $R_1 = \text{Me}$ ,  $R_2 = H$   
 (antitussive)

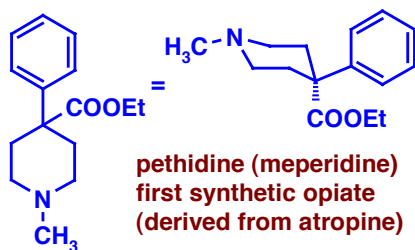


**naloxone**  
 (morphine  
 antagonist)

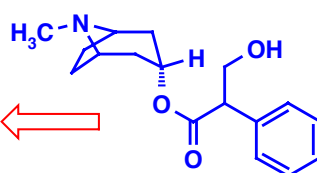


**etorphine**  
 (2,000-10,000  
 times more active  
 than morphine)

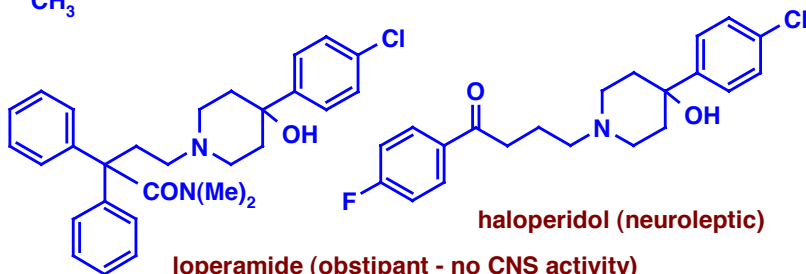
## Distant Morphine Analogs



**pethidine (meperidine)**  
 first synthetic opiate  
 (derived from atropine)



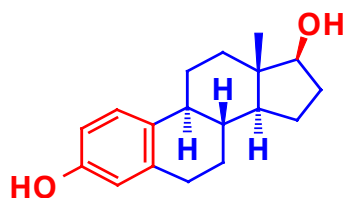
**atropine**  
 (anticonvulsant)



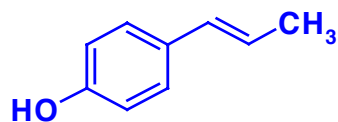
**loperamide** (obstipant - no CNS activity)

**haloperidol** (neuroleptic)

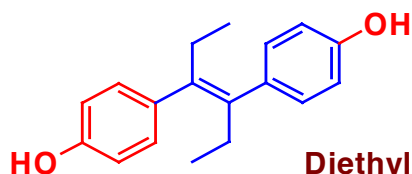
## Serendipitous Discovery of Diethylstilbestrol



Estradiol

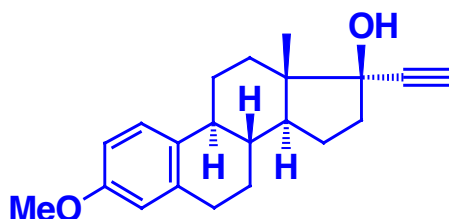


p-Anol



Diethylstilbestrol

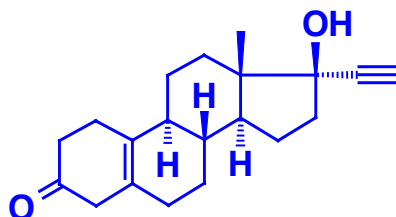
## The Serendipitous Discovery of the Pill



Mestranol

1. Birch  
reduction  
→  
2. enol ether  
cleavage

Norethynodrel  
(Searle)



## Pharmacodynamics

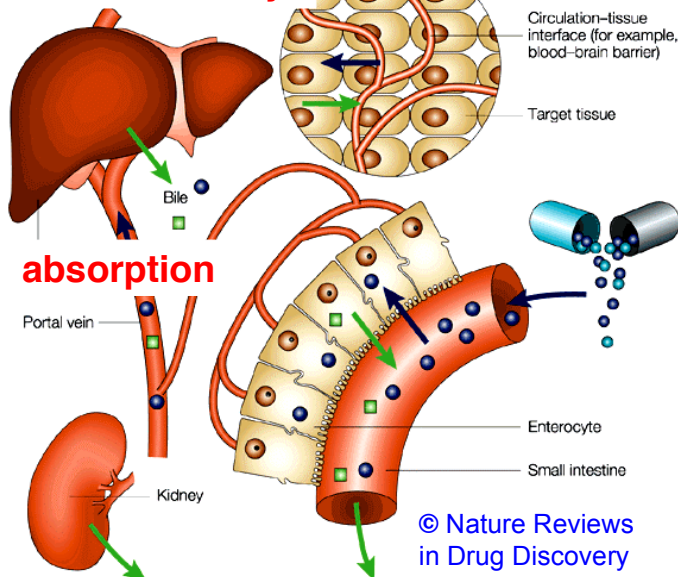
the action  
of the drug  
on the body



## Metabolism

the action  
of the body  
on the drug

## bioavailability

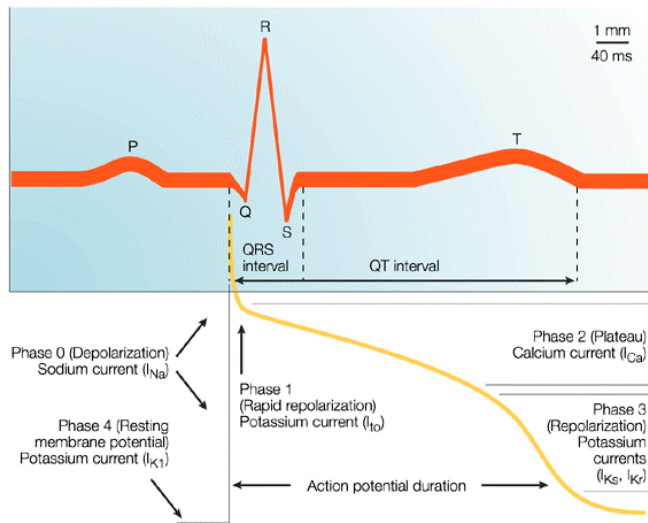


## Sites of Drug Metabolism:

(intestinal wall), liver,  
(organs)

## Sites of Drug Elimination:

kidneys (polar compounds),  
bile, feces (lipophilic analogs), lung



**Normal  
ECG**

**B. Fermini and  
A. A. Fossa,  
Nat. Rev. Drug.  
Discov. 2,  
439-447 (2003)**

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## The QT Interval Prolongation Problem

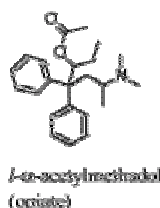
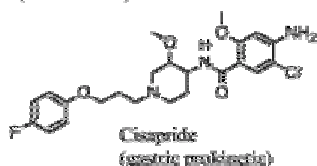
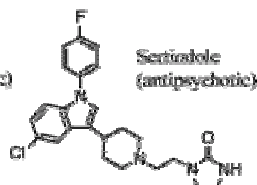
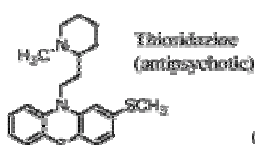
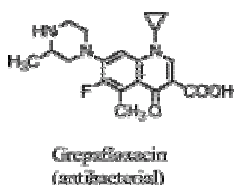
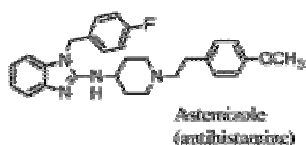
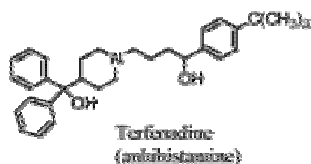
Many different drugs produce prolongation of the QT interval of the ECG (antihistamines, antipsychotics, antimicrobials, Ca antagonists ...)

Several drugs have been withdrawn from the market and ~ 10% of drug candidates fail in development due to this problem, e.g. Terfenadine (Seldane™), Sertindole, Astemizole, ...

A typical reason for QT interval prolongation is the blockade of the cardiac hERG K<sup>+</sup> channel by interaction of the drug with S6 domain of the protein.

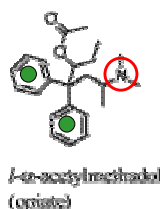
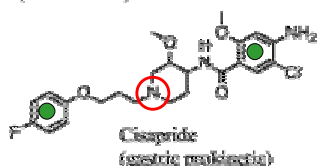
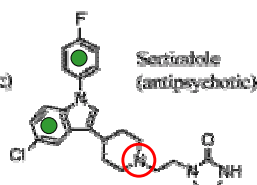
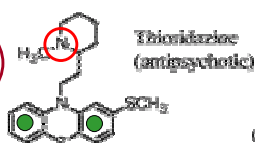
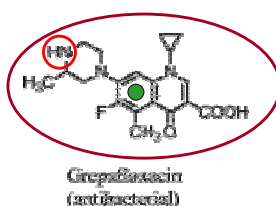
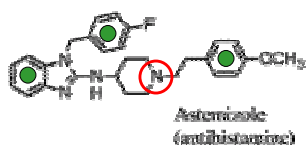
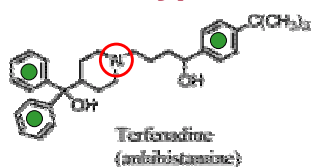
Source: T. Langer, University of Innsbruck, Austria

## Typical hERG Channel Inhibitors



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## Target and Channel Affinities of hERG Inhibitors

**Table 1.** Comparison of the hERG Channel Affinity to That of the Intended Pharmacological Target for Several Drugs

drug	target affinity	hERG IC <sub>50</sub>	comment
terfenadine	58 nM (histamine H1 $K_i$ )	56 nM	withdrawn
astemizole	3 nM (histamine H1 $K_i$ )	0.9 nM	withdrawn
cisapride	29 nM (serotonin 5HT4 $K_i$ )	47 nM	withdrawn
sertindole	0.6 nM (serotonin 5HT2A $K_i$ )	3 nM	withdrawn
thioridazine	27 nM (dopamine D2 $K_i$ )	191 nM	black box <sup>a</sup>
pimozide	12 nM (dopamine D2 $K_i$ )	18 nM	TDP <sup>b</sup>
grepafloxacin	up to 2.4 $\mu$ M (bacterial MIC <sup>c</sup> )	50 $\mu$ M	withdrawn

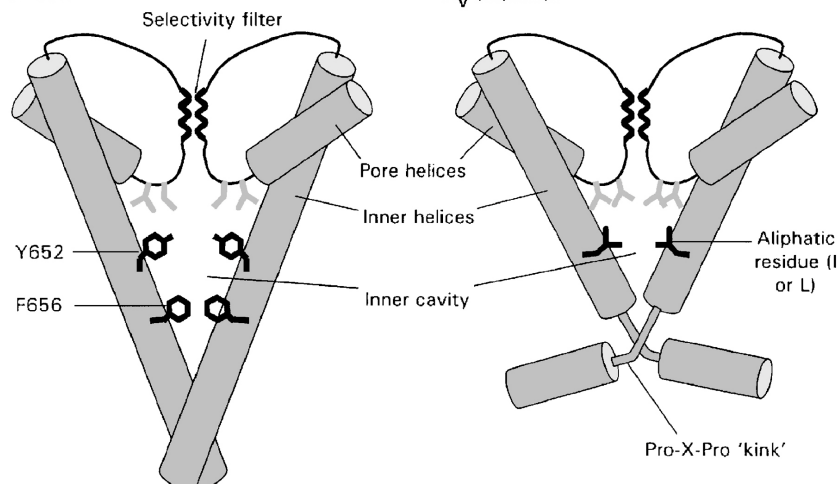
<sup>a</sup> Black box label from FDA for proarrhythmia. <sup>b</sup> Torsades de pointes arrhythmia observed clinically. <sup>c</sup> Minimum inhibitory concentration.

R. Pearlstein et al., J. Med. Chem. 46, 2017-2022 (2003)

## Model of Two hERG Channel Subunits

hERG

K<sub>v</sub> channel



J. S. Mitcheson, Brit. J. Pharmacol. 139, 883-884 (2003)

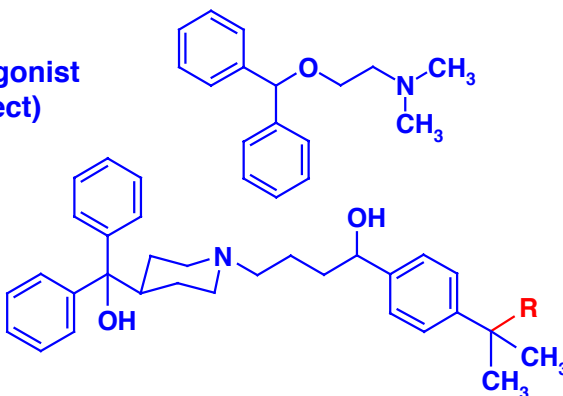
## Oxidative Metabolism and Drug Design

**diphenhydramine**  
lipophilic  $H_1$  antagonist  
(sedative side effect)

**terfenadine**  
(**Seldane<sup>®</sup>**),  
 $R = CH_3$ : polar  
 $H_1$  antagonist  
(originally  
designed as an  
antipsychotic

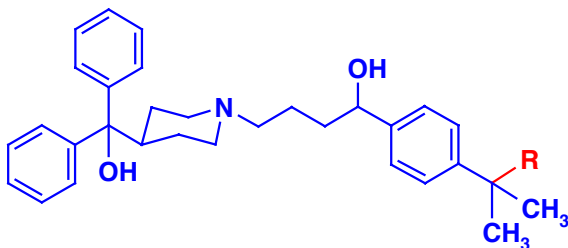
agent; no sedative side effect but cardiotoxic,  
especially in combination with CYP 3A4 inhibitors)

**fexofenadine** (**Allegra<sup>®</sup>**),  $R = COOH$ : active terfenadine  
metabolite (no sedative side effect, no cardiotoxicity)



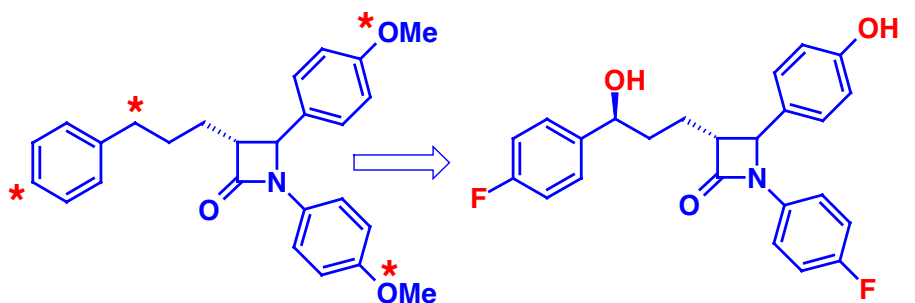
## SAR of hERG Channel Ligands

Terfenadine analogs



$R = CH_3$ , Terfenadine	$IC_{50} = 56 \text{ nM}$
$R = OH$	$IC_{50} = 460 \text{ nM}$
$R = COOH$ , Fexofenadine	$IC_{50} = 23,000 \text{ nM}$

## Oxidative Metabolism and Drug Design



SCH 48461

ED<sub>50</sub> (hamster) = 2.2 mg/kg

Ezetimib (SCH 58235, oral  
cholesterol absorption inhibitor)

ED<sub>50</sub> (hamster) = 0.04 mg/kg

M. van Heek et al., J. Pharmacol. Exp. Ther. **283**, 157-163 (1997);  
D. A. Smith, H. van de Waterbeemd and D. K. Walker, Pharmacokinetics and Metabolism in Drug Design, Wiley-VCH, 2001, p. 85

## Prodrugs, Soft Drugs and Targeted Drugs

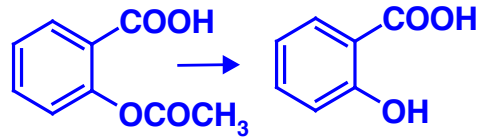
**Prodrugs** are inactive (less active) drug analogs that have better pharmacokinetic properties (e.g. oral bioavailability, BBB penetration)

**Soft drugs** are biologically active derivatives of inactive drug analogs; they are degraded to inactive analogs, e.g. esters of corticosteroid carboxylic acids, which are (topically) active.

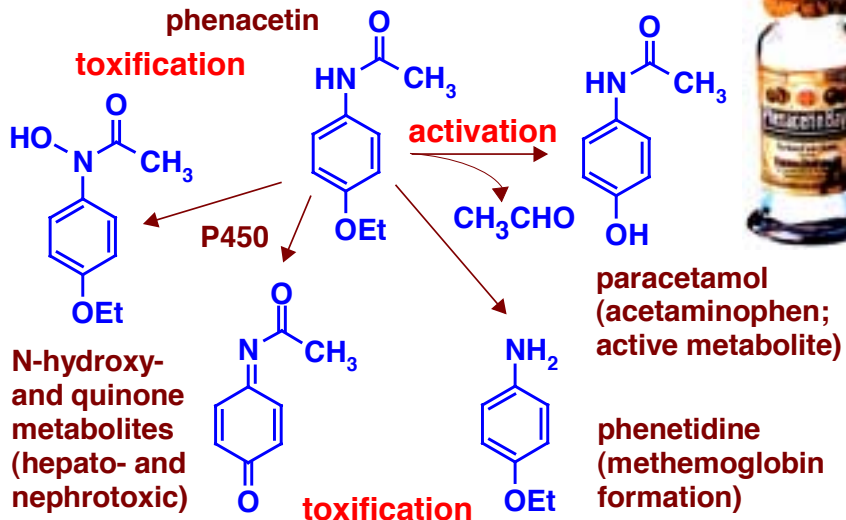
**Targeted drugs** are drugs or prodrugs that exert their biological action only in certain cells or organs (e.g. Omeprazole, Aciclovir).



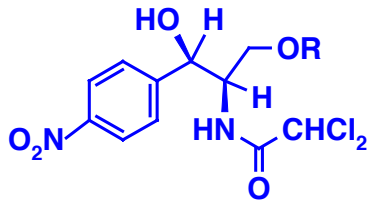
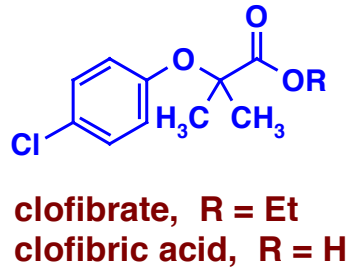
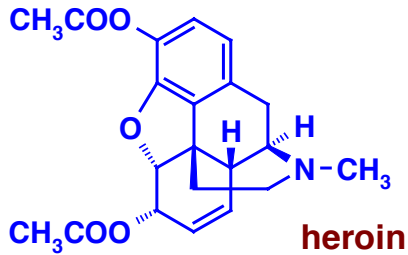
## Aspirin<sup>®</sup>, a prodrug ? (Felix Hoffmann, 1897)



## Metabolic Activation and Toxicification

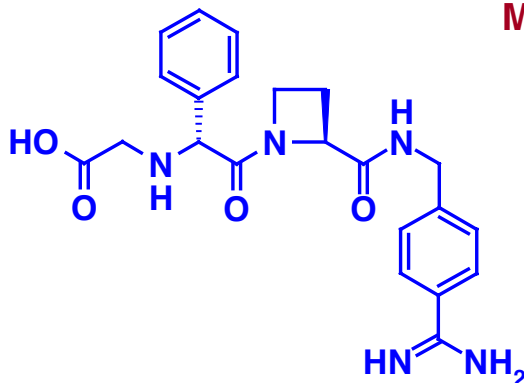


## Prodrugs: Esters



**tasteless prodrug**  
 R = CO(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>14</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>

## Melagatran (Astra)



was one of the first  
 thrombin inhibitors  
 with some oral  
 bioavailability

$K_i$  (thrombin) = 2 nM

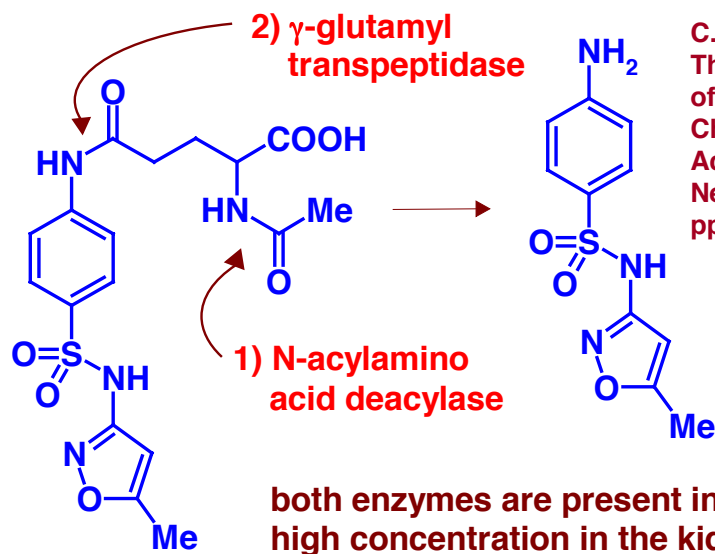
**Ximelagatran (H 376/95) is a double prodrug of melagatran:**

**ester group** (cleaved by esterases)

**amidoxime** (reduced by NADH-cytochrome b5  
 reductase + CYP 2A6)

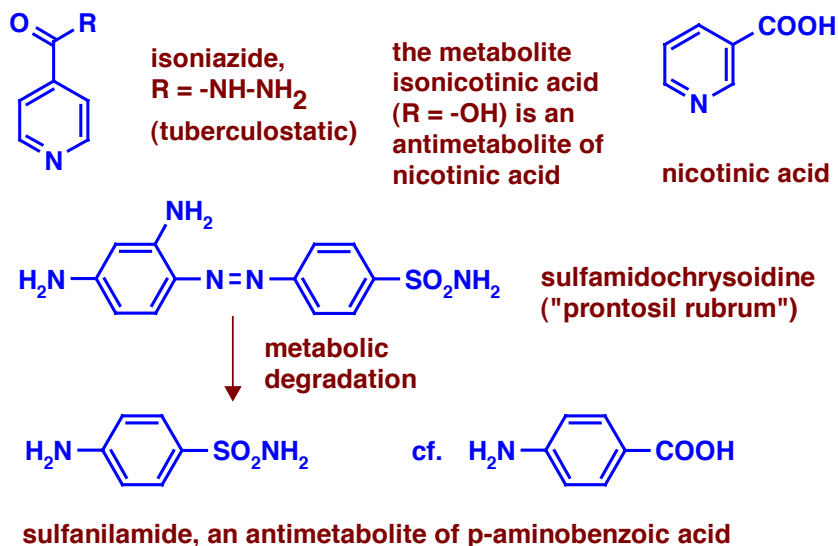


## Kidney-Selective Release of Sulfamethoxazole

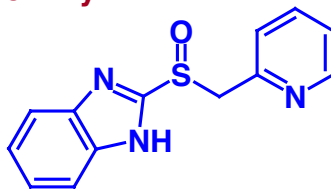
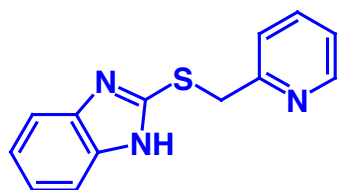
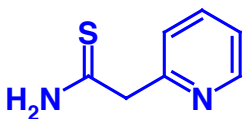
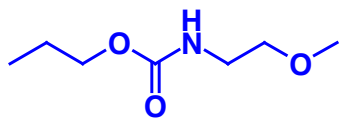


C. G. Wermuth  
The Practice of Medicinal Chemistry,  
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## Prodrugs: Hydrazides and Azo Compounds



## Omeprazole Case Study



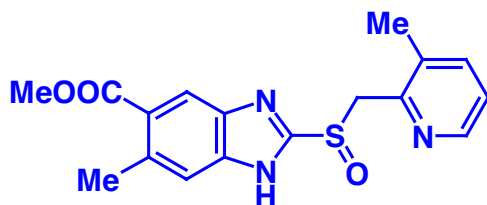
1966: Local anesthetics reduce gastric secretion (Hässle)

1966-1972: First lead

1972-1979: New lead pyridyl-acetamide (from screening of antiviral compounds)

Active analogs; metabolite with higher antisecretory activity

## Omeprazole Case Study



Picoprazole, 1976 preclinical candidate

Tox study:

vasculitis

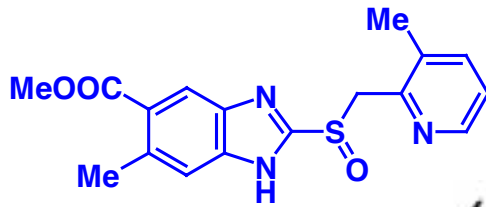


picoprazole group



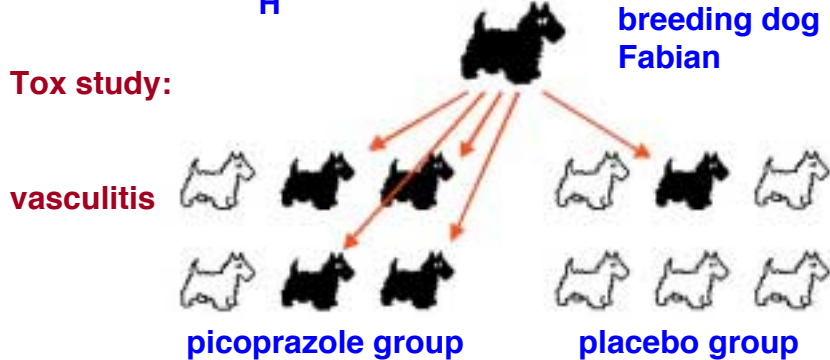
placebo group

## Omeprazole Case Study

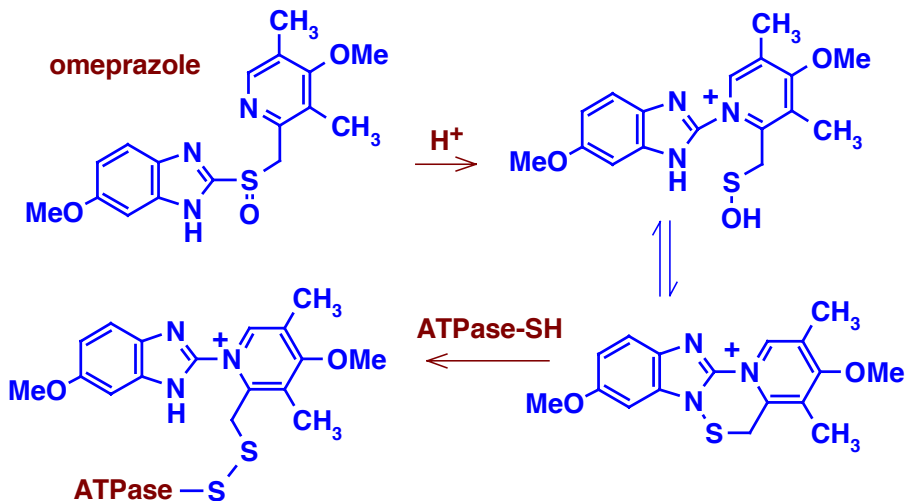


**Picoprazole, 1976**  
preclinical candidate

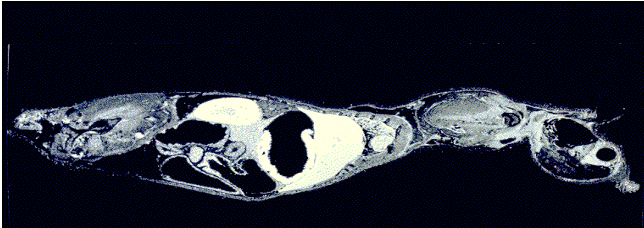
**Tox study:**



## Drug Activation in Acid-Producing Cells - A Serendipitous Discovery of a Targeted Drug



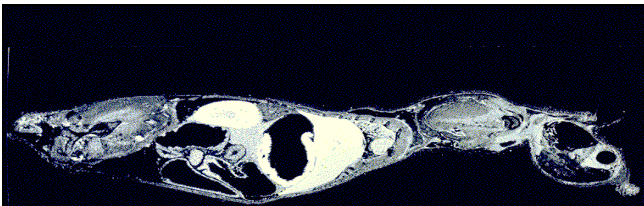
## Omeprazole Activation in Acid-Producing Cells



Distribution of  
radio-labelled  
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i.v. injection, rat

courtesy of Dr. K. Andersson, AstraZeneca, Sweden

## Omeprazole Activation in Acid-Producing Cells



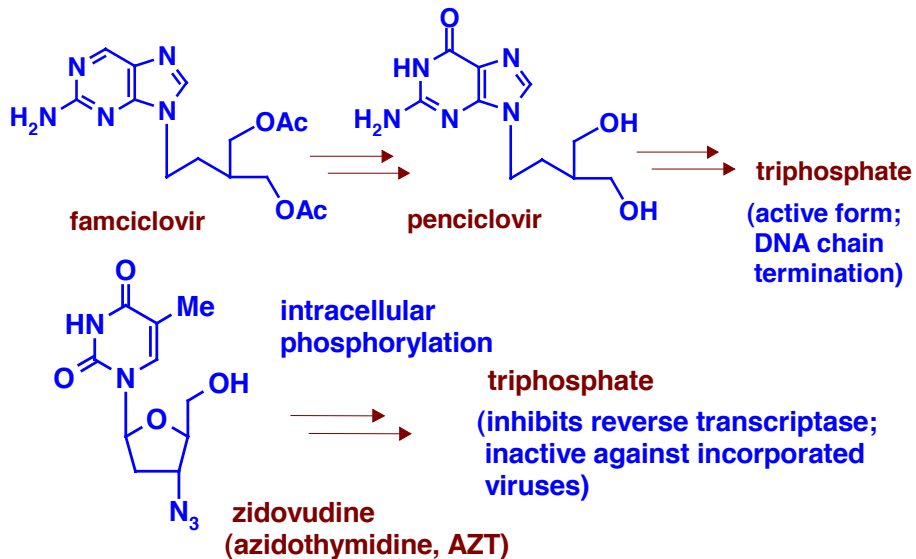
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sixteen hours  
after i.v.  
injection, rat

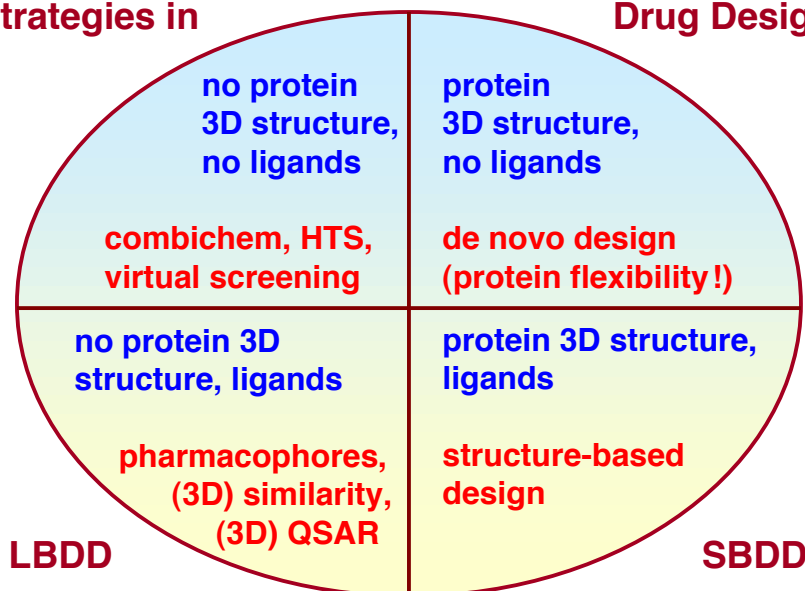
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## Antiviral Prodrugs are Trojan Horses

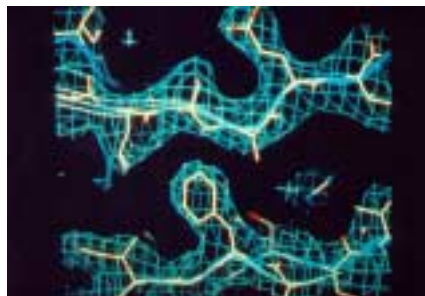
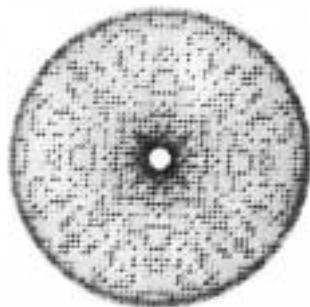
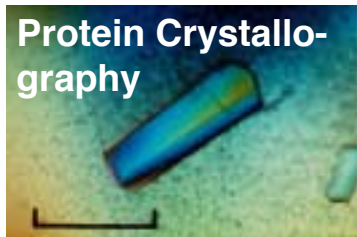


## Strategies in

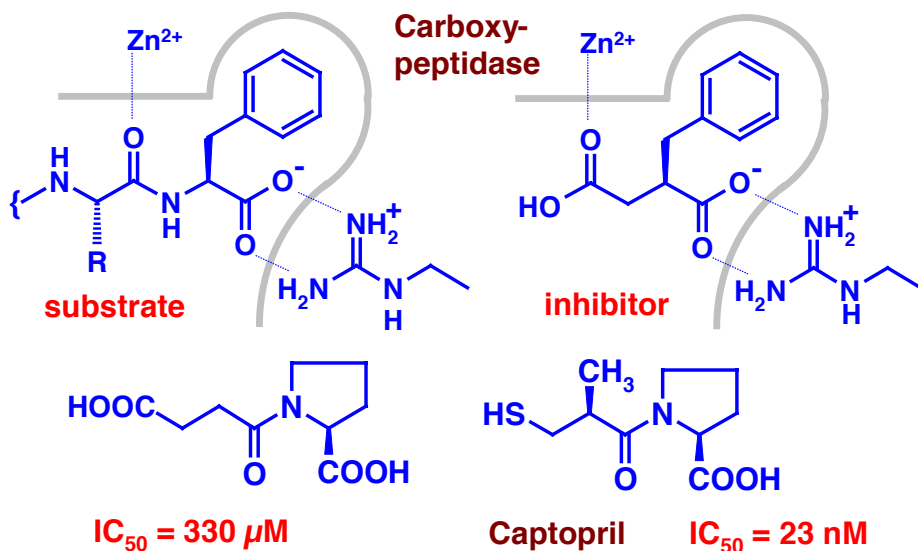
## Drug Design



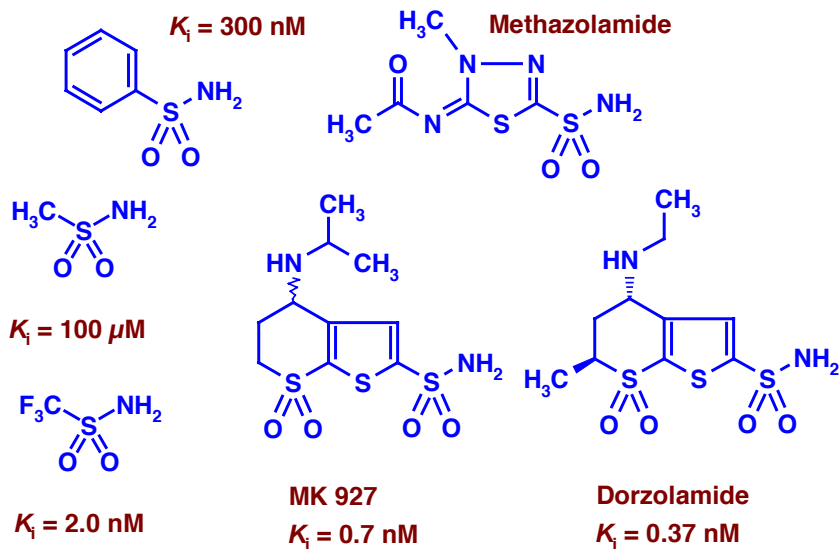
## Protein Crystallography



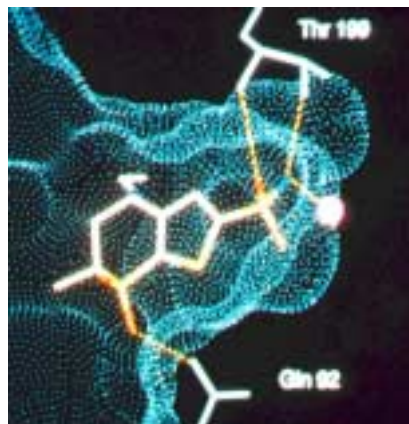
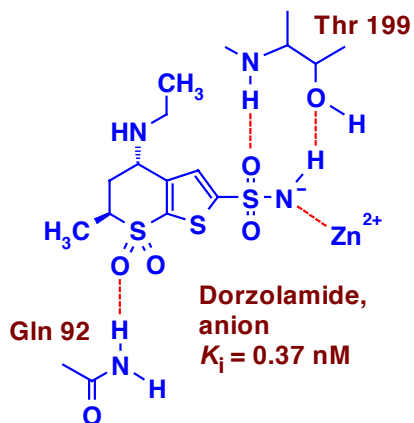
## Structure-Based Design of Captopril



## Structure-Based Design of Dorzolamide



## Binding Mode of Carbonic Anhydrase Inhibitors

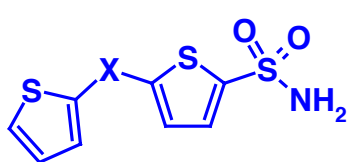


CC(=O)N#S(=O)(=O)N,  $K_i = 100 \text{ }\mu\text{M}$ ,  $\text{pK}_a = 10.5$

FC(F)(F)S(=O)(=O)N,  $K_i = 2 \text{ nM}$ ,  $\text{pK}_a = 5.8$

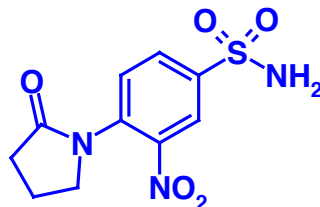
## Virtual Screening, Carbonic Anhydrase Inhibitors

A 3D search in a database of  $\approx 90,000$  compounds yielded 3,314 molecules; these were rank-ordered by their pharmacophores, 100 were finally docked and 13 docking hits were biologically tested.



$X = S \quad K_i = 0.9 \text{ nM}$

$X = SO_2 \quad K_i = 0.8 \text{ nM}$

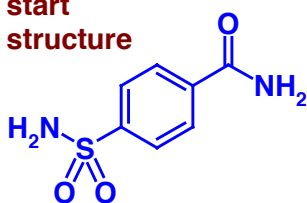


$K_i = 0.6 \text{ nM}$

S. Grüneberg et al., *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Engl.* **40**, 389-393 (2001); *J. Med. Chem.* **45**, 3588-3602 (2002).

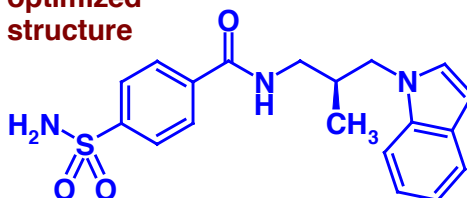
## Combinatorial Design of Carbonic Anhydrase Inhibitors

start  
structure



$K_d = 120 \text{ nM}$

optimized  
structure



*R* enantiomer,  $K_d = 30 \text{ pM}$

(*S* enantiomer:  $K_d = 230 \text{ pM}$ )

Program CombiSMoG, „best“ N-substituents from 100,000 candidates (20 scored by knowledge-based potentials)

B. A. Grzybowski et al., *Acc. Chem. Res.* **35**, 261-269 (2002);

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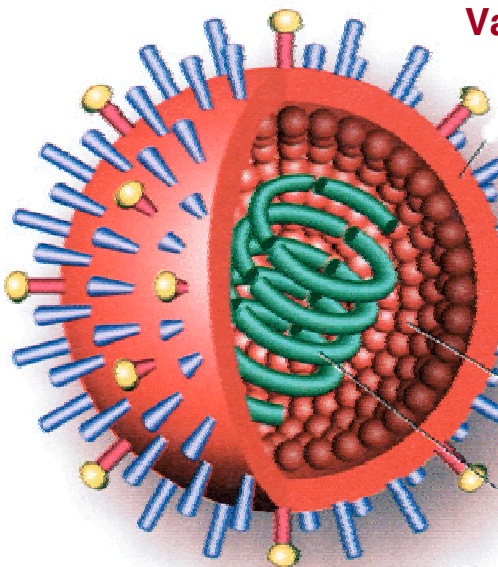
## Influenza

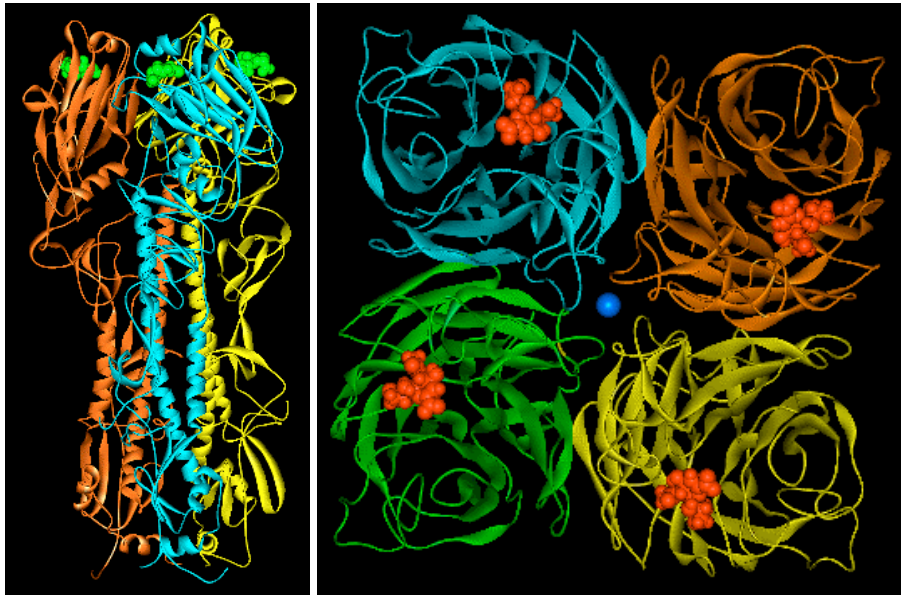
In 1918/19, the „Spanish Flu“ killed about 20-40 mio people. Especially young and very old people died from influenza. The heavy death toll of this pandemic disease has to be compared to the number of 11 mio victims of World War I.

**Egon Schiele** prepared this drawing of his wife, one day before her death and four days before he died himself, only 28 years old.



## Vaccination ?

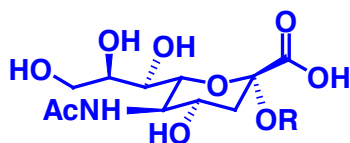




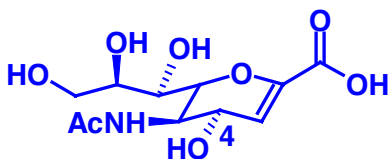
hemagglutinine + sialic acid (green)

neuraminidase + DANA (red)

## Design of Neuraminidase Inhibitors

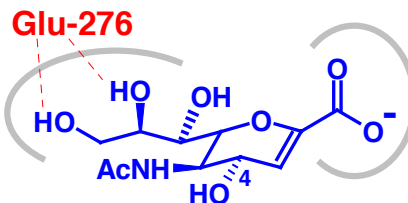


sialic acid, R = H



Neu5Ac2en

$K_i = 1\ 000\ \text{nM}$



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Arg-292

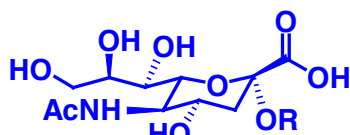
Arg-118

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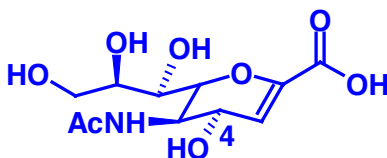
Glu-227

result of a GRID search with a positively charged probe

## Design of Neuraminidase Inhibitors



sialic acid, R = H



Neu5Ac2en

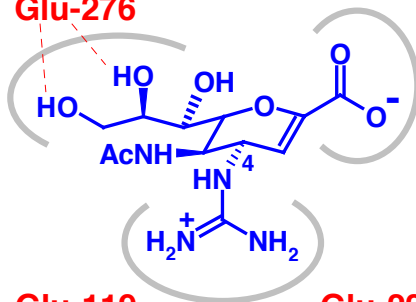
$K_i = 1\,000\text{ nM}$

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4-Guanidino-Neu5Ac2en

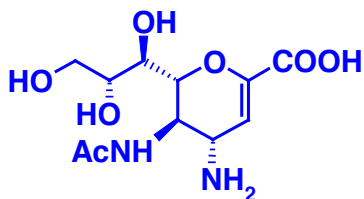
$K_i = 0.1\text{--}0.2\text{ nM}$

Zanamivir (Relenza,  
Glaxo-Wellcome)

Glu-119

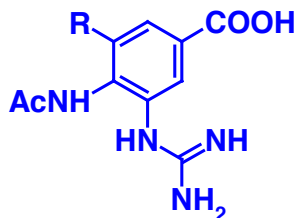
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## Design of Bioavailable Neuraminidase Inhibitors



4-NH<sub>2</sub>-Neu5Ac2en

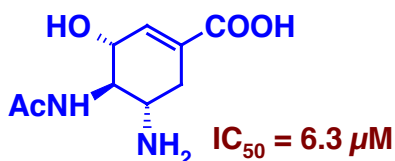
$K_i = 50\text{ nM}$



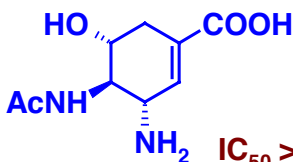
a) R = H  $K_i = 8\text{ }\mu\text{M}$

b) R = CH(OH)CH(OH)CH<sub>2</sub>OH

$K_i > 100\text{ }\mu\text{M}$

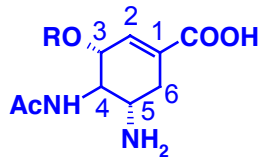


$\text{IC}_{50} = 6.3\text{ }\mu\text{M}$

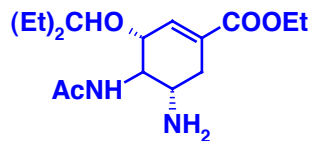


$\text{IC}_{50} > 200\text{ }\mu\text{M}$

## Design of Bioavailable Neuraminidase Inhibitors



GS 4071, R = CH(Et)<sub>2</sub>  
IC<sub>50</sub> = 1 nM

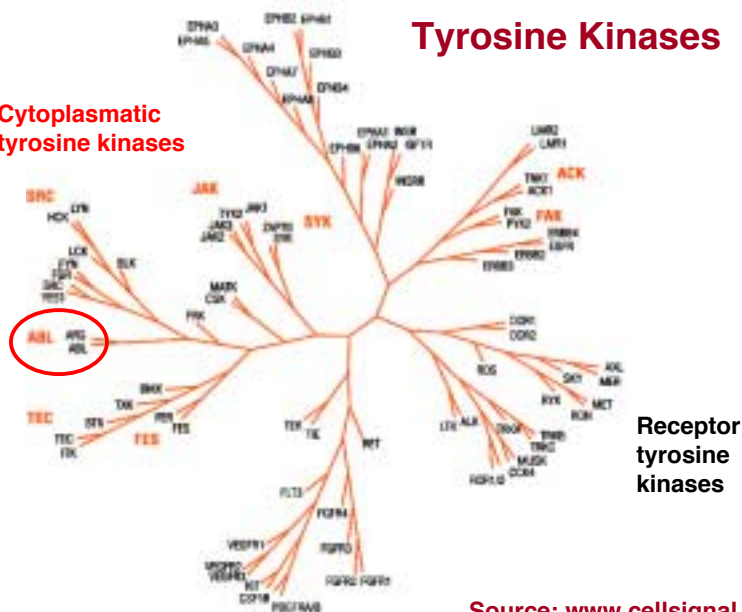


GS 4104 (ester prodrug  
of GS 4071)  
Oseltamivir (Tamiflu, Roche)

R =	IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)
H	6 300
CH <sub>3</sub>	3 700
CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	2 000
CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	180
CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	225
CH <sub>2</sub> OCH <sub>3</sub>	2 000
CH <sub>2</sub> CH=CH <sub>2</sub>	2 200
CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	300
CH <sub>2</sub> CH(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	200
CH(CH <sub>3</sub> )CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	10
<b>CH(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>1</b>
CH(CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	16
Cyclopentyl	22
Cyclohexyl	60
Phenyl	530

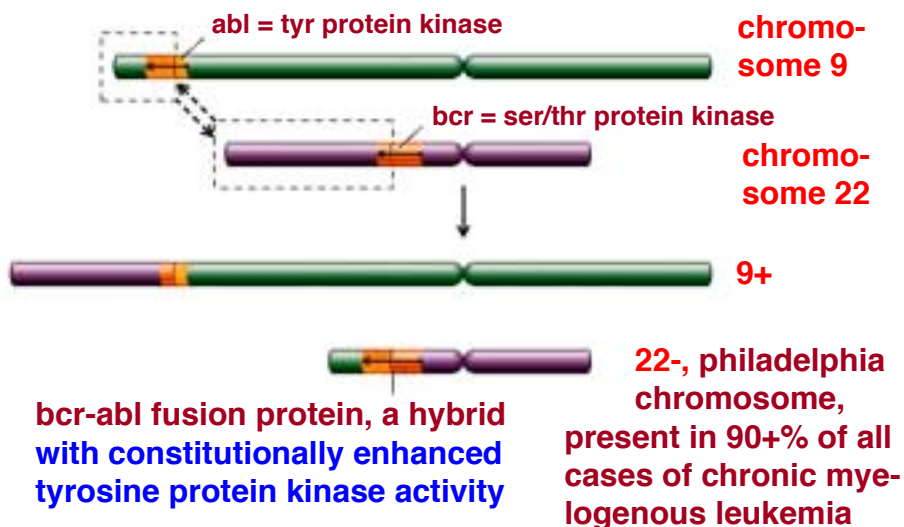
## Tyrosine Kinases

Cytoplasmatic  
tyrosine kinases

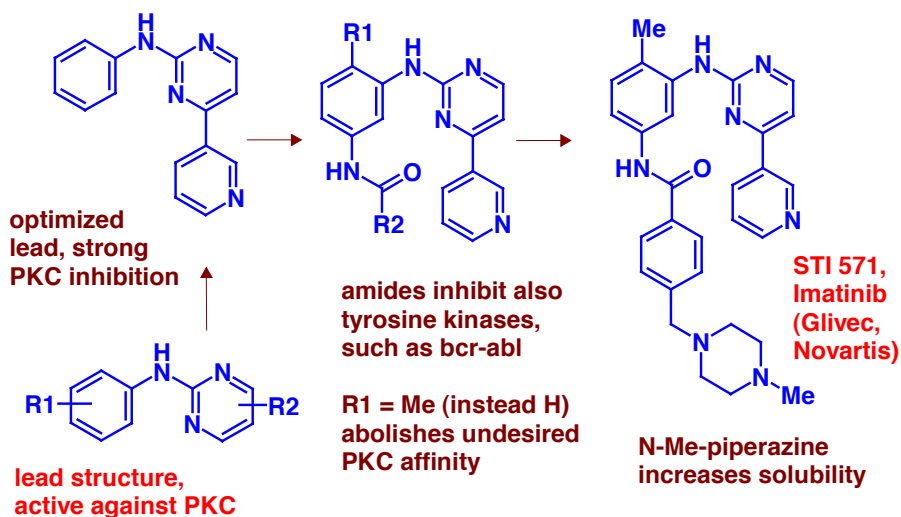


Receptor  
tyrosine  
kinases

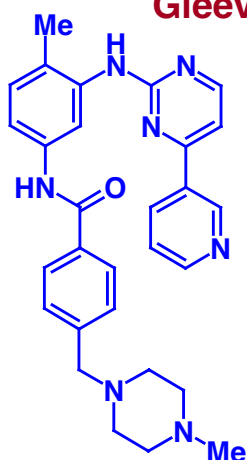
## Chromosome Translocation in CML



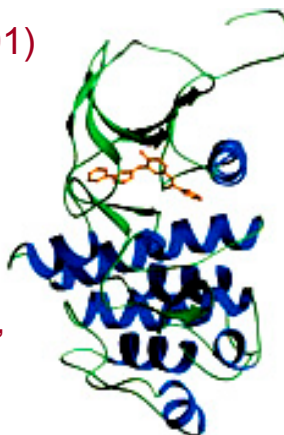
## Development of STI 571 (Imatinib, Glivec®)



## Gleevec® (May 2001)



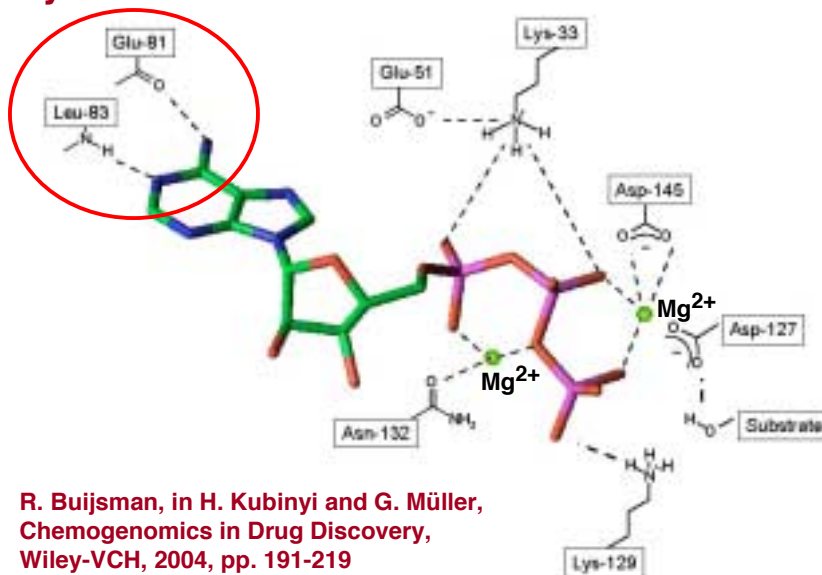
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Glivec®, Imatinib (Novartis), for the treatment of chronic myelogenous leukemia

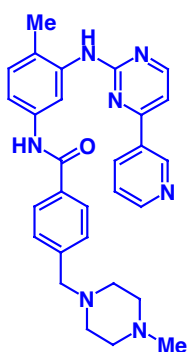
$K_i$  ABL = 38 nM;  $K_i$  PDGFR = 50 nM (PDGFR = platelet-derived growth factor receptor); > 1000-fold selective vs. EGFR, c-src, PKA, PKC $\alpha$  (R. Capdeville et al., Nature Rev. Drug Discov. **1**, 493-502 (2002))

## Key Interactions of ATP in the CDK2 Active Site

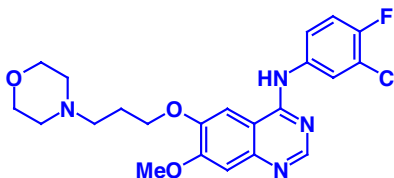


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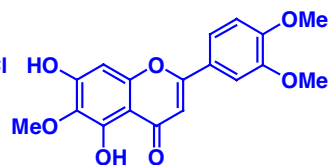
## Kinase Inhibitors in Human Therapy



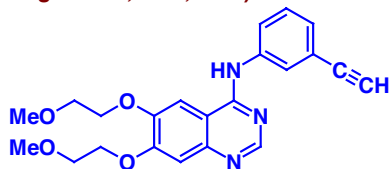
**Imatinib** (bcr-abl, KIT and PDGFRB; CML and GIST; USA, 2001)



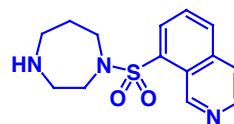
**Gefitinib** (EGFR; non-small-cell lung cancer; USA, 2003)



**Eupatilin** (ERK1, ERK2 and CDKs; gastritis; Korea, 2003)



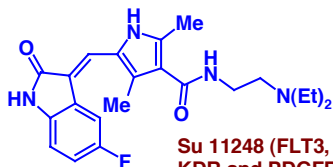
**Erlotinib** (EGFR; non-small-cell lung cancer; USA, 2004)



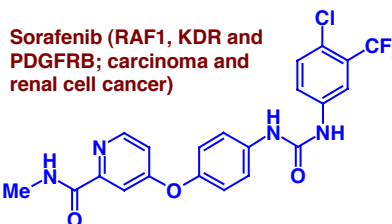
**Fasudil** (ROCK1; i.v., brain hemorrhage; Japan, 1995)

M. Vieth et al., Drug Discov. today 10, 839-846

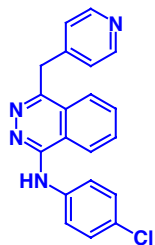
## Kinase Inhibitors in Phase III Studies



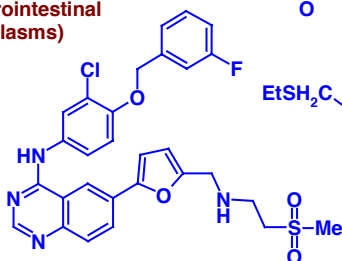
**Su 11248** (FLT3, KIT, KDR and PDGFRB; renal cell cancer and gastrointestinal neoplasms)



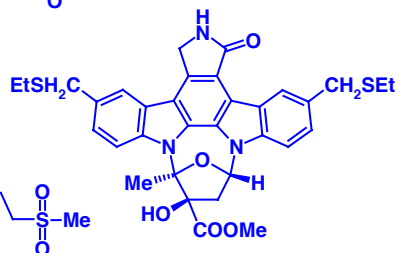
**Sorafenib** (RAF1, KDR and PDGFRB; carcinoma and renal cell cancer)



**Vatalanib** (KDR; colorectal, colonic and rectal neoplasms)



**Lapatinib** (EGFR and ERBB2; metastatic breast cancer)

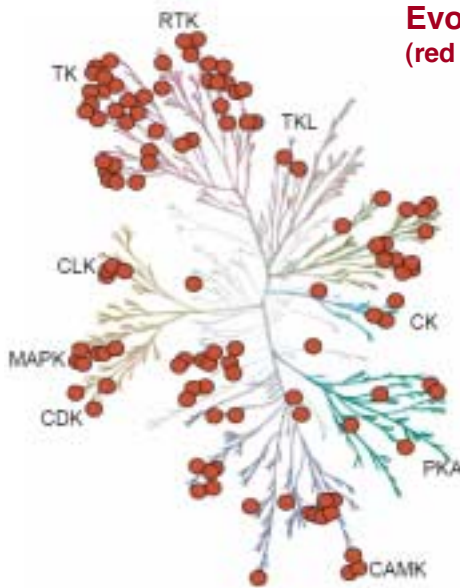


**CEP 1347** (MAPK8 and MAPK9; Parkinson's disease)

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## Evolutionary Tree of Kinases (red dots indicate 113 tested kinases)



- TK = non-receptor tyrosine kinases
- RTK = receptor tyrosine kinases
- TKL = tyrosine kinase-like kinases
- CK = casein kinase family
- PKA = protein kinase A family
- CAMK = calcium/calmodulin-dependent kinases
- CDK = cyclin-dependent kinases
- MAPK = mitogen-activated kinases
- CLK = Cdk-like kinases

M. A. Fabian et al., Nature Biotech. 23, 329-336 (2005)

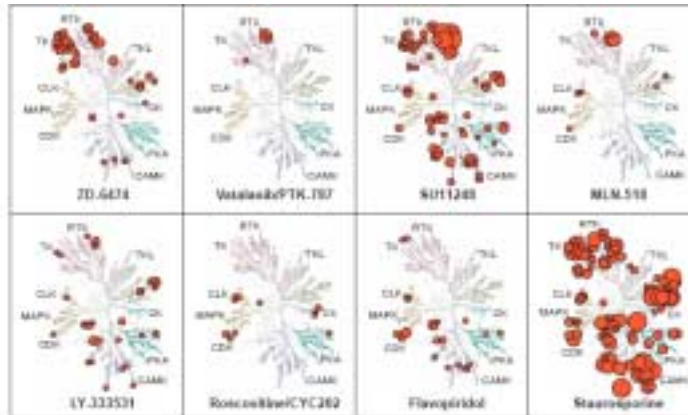
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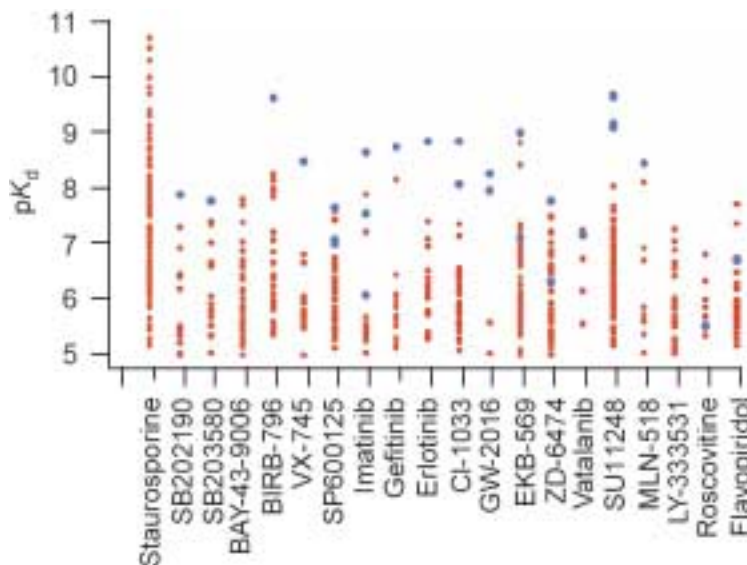


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## Selectivity of Kinases

blue dots = targets  
red dots = off-targets

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Voltaire, by J. A. Houdon

## The Past

Voltaire (1694-1778):

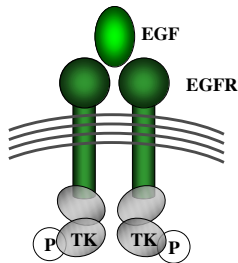
**Doctors**  
pour drugs of which  
they know little,  
to cure diseases of which  
they know less,  
into human beings  
of whom  
they know nothing.

## The Future: Pharmacogenomics - New Opportunities from Personalized Medicine

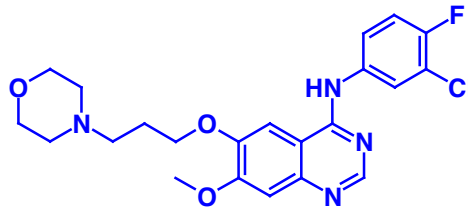
**Genotyping** of drug targets and metabolic enzymes  
enables

- **cost savings** in drug development through better design of clinical trials
- selection of the „**best drug**“ for a certain patient
- **individual dose ranges** (variance in target sensitivity, reduced or increased metabolism)
- **fewer toxic side effects**
- **fewer unexpected drug-drug interactions**

## Gefitinib<sup>®</sup>, Iressa, ZD1839 (EGFR TK inhibitor)



↓  
cell proliferation ↑  
apoptosis ↓  
angiogenesis ↑  
metastasis ↑



third-line therapy for  
non-small-cell lung cancer  
(75% of lung cancer cases)

clinical response to  
Iressa ~ 10%

J. G. Paez et al.

**EGFR Mutations in Lung Cancer: Correlation with  
Clinical Response to Gefitinib Therapy**

Science 304 (5676), 1497-1500 (2004)

T. J. Lynch et al.

**Activating Mutations in the Epidermal Growth Factor  
Receptor Underlying Responsiveness of Non-Small-Cell  
Lung Cancer and Gefitinib**

New Engl. J. Med. 350, 2129-2139 (2004)

8 out of 9 Iressa-responsive patients showed mutations  
in the kinase domain

0 out of 7 non-responsive patients showed mutations

2 out of 25 non-treated patients showed mutations (8%)

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