## New Developments in RosettaLigand

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# QSAR Model Validates 5-HT Binding Mode to Serotonin Transporter



- hSERT is a Neurotransmitter :: Sodium Symporter (NSS) with twelve TM domains
- A homolog LeuT<sub>Aa</sub> was crystallized with 22% sequence identity to hSERT, increases to ~45% in substrate binding site
- RosettaLigand docking into homology model with full Ligand and Protein Flexibility

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# Treatment Strategies for CNS Disorders through Modulation of mGluR<sub>5</sub>



- Allosteric positive modulation (activation) of mGluR<sub>5</sub> may ameliorate the symptoms of schizophrenia.
- Allosteric negative modulation of mGluR<sub>5</sub> offers a potential treatment strategy of fragile X syndrome symptoms, a CNS disorder associated with autism spectrum disorders (ASD).

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# High-Throughput Screen yields 1387 PAMs and 345 NAMs of $mGluR_5$



 150,000 compounds were tested for allosteric modulation of mGluR<sub>5</sub> measuring receptor-induced intracellular release of calcium. 1,387 (0.94%) compounds were verified as PAMs of mGluR<sub>5</sub>. 345 (0.23%) compounds were verified as NAMs of mGluR<sub>5</sub>.

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# Relate Chemical Structure and Biological Activity

**Chemical Structure** 





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**Biological Activity** 

# Transformation-Invariant, Problem-Optimized Numerical Description





**Biological Activity** 

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# Machine Learning Calculates Activity from Numerical Description



# Radial Distribution Functions describe 3D shape ...





where:





## ... but can also Encode Chemical Properties such as Polarizability



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 $d_{ii}$  – distance between two atoms

 $A_i$ ,  $A_i$  – atom properties, here lone pair electro negativity

B-temperature factor, here 100

# Mapping Descriptor Space into Hyperspace





# Optimizing the set of chemical descriptors for the given target



### Number descriptors

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- Molecular Weight
- Number H bond donors
- Number H bond acceptors
- XlogP
- Polar surface area
- Mean molecular polarizability
- Molecular dipole moment
- Aqueous solubility

### vHTS Training Optimization (ROC curves)



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### Number descriptors



# Virtual Screen for Highly Active Compounds and Novel Leads





# Experimental Results mGluR<sub>5</sub> Positive Allosteric Modulators



Mueller, R.; et al. "Identification of Metabotropic Glutamate Receptor Subtype 5 Potentiators Using Virtual High-Throughput Screening" ACS Chem. Neurosci **2010**, **1**, **288-305**.

824 Compounds predicted with  $EC_{50} < 1\mu M$  by QSAR model

232 Compounds (28.1%) were confirmed as  $mGlur_5$  PAMs Enrichment = 28.1% / 0.96% = 30



Non-trivial scaffold modifications with mGluR5 PAM activity



# Experimental Results mGluR<sub>5</sub> Negative Allosteric Modulators





749 Compounds with novel Scaffolds predicted with  $EC_{50}$  < 10µM by QSAR model

12 Compounds (1.6%) were confirmed as  $mGlur_5 NAMs$ Enrichment = 1.6% / 0.23% = 7

VU0240790-4 EC<sub>50</sub> = 75 nM



VU0360620-1 EC<sub>50</sub> = 124 nM



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# BCL::PHARMMAP – Computes Partial Derivatives of Property vs. Structure





# **BCL::**PHARMMAP – Generation of **Chemical Derivatives**



## The Benzoxazepine Scaffold



Hbond Donor	Hbond Acceptor	Polarizability
Steric Bulk	Positive Charge	Negative Charge
increase	neutral	decrease
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### BCL::PHARMMAP versus CoMFA





PharmMap		CoMFA
150,000	# Compounds & biological activities used	118
s-m	Runtime	h-y
NO	Superimposition on common scaffold required?	YES
Charge Bulk Polarizability # H-bond D/A	Physicochemical properties considered	Charge Bulk
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# Prioritizing Compounds for Chemical Synthesis using 3D SAR



### Efficiency: 7.0 EC50 [µM]: 1.33

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# RosettaLigand: Docking with Full Ligand and Receptor Flexibility



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# Docking to Comparative Models is Successful in 80% of Cases



RMSD < 2.5

	Rosetta Models	RMSD < 2.5 Å in top 10	Rosetta Models
Protein/Ligand complexes with multiple homologs covering a range of similarities	2AYR	1/3	1B8O
	2FAI	2/3	1VFN
	2B1V	2/3	1SQA
Similarite	1FD0	2/4	103P
Construct Rosetta comparative model	1FCX	1/4	1F5K
	1FCZ	0/4	
I	1Y1M	5/5	CASP Model
+	1PBQ	2/5	3D8B
RosettaLigand Docking with Full Protein and Ligand Flexibility		4/5	3DLZ
		2/3	3DAO
	Protein/Ligand complexes with multiple homologs covering a range of similarities Construct Rosetta comparative model	Rosetta ModelsProtein/Ligand complexes with multiple homologs covering a range of similarities2AYR2FAI2B1V2B1V1FD01FD01FCX1FCZ1Y1M1PBQ1PB92QWE2QWE	Rosetta ModelsRMSD < 2.5 Å in top 10Protein/Ligand complexes with multiple homologs covering a range of similarities2/32FAI2/32B1V2/32B1V2/41FD02/41FCX1/41FCZ0/41FCZ0/41Y1M5/51PBQ2/51PB94/52QWE2/3

- Docking to Rosetta Comparative Models succeeds for at least one comparative model in 18 of 21 cases
- Docking to CASP models succeeds in 7 of 9 cases

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2AYR	1/3	1B8O	1/3	
2FAI	2/3	1VFN	3/3	
2B1V	2/3	1SQA	0/2	
1FD0	2/4	103P	1/2	
1FCX	1/4	1F5K	1/2	
1FCZ	0/4	_		
1Y1M	5/5	CASP Models		
1PBQ	2/5	3D8B	0/(N/A)	
1PB9	4/5	3DLZ	1/(N/A)	
2QWE	2/3	3DAO	0/(N/A)	
2QWD	2/3	3DA1	1/(N/A)	
2QWB	2/3	3DKP	1/(N/A)	
1TSY	0/3	3DLS	1/(N/A)	
1NJE	2/3	3DLC	1/(N/A)	
1NJA	1/3	3DME	1/(N/A)	
1V48	2/3	3DOU	1/(N/A)	

# Comparative Models Show Similar Binding Funnels to X-ray Structures



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# Success Rate is Largely Independent From Sequence Similarity

- Success Rate improves if ligand is bound in template
- Success rate is independent from sequence similarity



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# Computer-Aided Drug Design in Rosetta





## Ligand Design using Rosetta Scripts

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-322.985



-350.506



# Fragment Extension 1 is Accepted as Predicted Binding Energy Increases





# Fragment Extension 2 is Rejected as Predicted Binding Energy Decreases



### www.rosettacommons.org



- Rosetta consists of multiple modules: protein folding, comparative modeling, ligand docking, protein design, antibody/antigen interactions, etc.
- Rosetta is developed in a consortium of twelve laboratories by around 50 developers
- Rosetta is free for academic us; user guide and tutorials are available
- PyRosetta is a python interface that allows integration with Pymol
- FoldIt is the better video game for you and your kids
- Rosetta@home uses your computer for our research



RosettaCon 2009, Leavenworth, WA, USA

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# Amyloid β-Peptide-Binding Alcohol Dehydrogenase (ABAD) Inhibitors



- Inhibitor bound crystal structure (PDB ID:1U7T)
- High-throughput screening data (PubChem ID: 893)

#### J Mol Biol. 2004 Sep 17;342(3):943-52.

#### Crystal structure of human ABAD/HSD10 with a bound inhibitor: implications for design of Alzheimer's disease therapeutics.

Kissinger CR, Rejto PA, Pelletier LA, Thomson JA, Showalter RE, Abreo MA, Agree CS, Margosiak S, Meng JJ, Aust RM, Vanderpool D, Li B, Tempczyk-Russell A, Villafranca JE.

Pfizer-La Jolla, 10777 Science Center Dr., San Diego, CA 92121, USA.

#### Abstract

The enzyme 17beta-hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase type 10 (HSD10), also known as amyloid beta-peptide-binding alcohol dehydrogenase (ABAD), has been implicated in the development of Alzheimer's disease. This protein, a member of the short-chain dehydrogenase/reductase family of enzymes, has been shown to bind beta-amyloid and to participate in beta-amyloid neurotoxicity. We have determined the crystal structure of human ABAD/HSD10 complexed with NAD(+) and an inhibitory small molecule. The inhibitor occupies the substrate-binding site and forms a covalent adduct with the NAD(+) cofactor. The crystal structure provides a basis for the design of potent, highly specific ABAD/HSD10 inhibitors with potential application in the treatment of Alzheimer's disease.

PMID: 15342248 [PubMed - indexed for MEDLINE]

# PharmMap Predictions Match Experimental Data



PharmMap for steric bulk



neutral

decrease

Co-crystallized Inhibitor



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increase

# Pseudo-Potential Scores Agreement of Pharmacophore Map with Docking





 Attractive interaction between sites in pharmacophore map that prefer addition of hBond acceptors (red) and hBond donor sites in the protein

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# Scoring Terms are Implemented in RosettaLigand Centroid Docking



- Additional grids store information about H-bond acceptors and Hbond donors, charge, and polarizability in the protein
- These grids are precalculated enabling rapid scoring needed for virtual screening
- The low-resolution sampling is enhanced to allow translations and rotations to improve original shape complementary score in addition to pharmmap scores



# Pseudo-Potential Scores Agreement of Pharmacophore Map with Docking





 Attractive interaction between sites in pharmacophore map that prefer addition of hBond acceptors (red) and protein hBond donor sites (blue)

### Conclusion



- quantitative 3D SAR models enable virtual high-throughput screening of external substance databases to prioritize for acquisition. Novel chemotypes are detected.
- pharmacophore maps derived from 3D SAR models guide hit-to-lead optimization by prioritizing synthesis.
- 80% success rate for RosettaLigand docking into comparative models with full side chain and backbone flexibility.
- Coming next: RosettaLigand fragment-based drug design and pharmacophore maps as docking restraints.

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