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Interacciones entre proteínas pequeños ligandos (II)

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Paul Ehrlich Scientific Principles, Methods, and Results" Lancet II, 445 (1913)

"Corpora non agunt nisi fixata"



"Address in Pathology on Chemotherapeutics:

1st QSAR study:

ON THE CONNECTION

CHEMICAL CONSTITUTION

PHYSIOLOGICAL ACTION.

PART L ON THE PHYSIOLOGICAL ACTION OF THE SALTS OF THE AMMONIUM BASES, DERIVED FROM STRYCHNIA, BRUCIA, THEBAIA, CODELA, MORPHIA, AND NICOTIA

DE A. CRUM BROWN AND DR THOMAS R. FRASER.

ONS OF THE BOYAL SOCIETY OF EDINBURCH, VOL XXY

EDINBURGH PRINTED FOR THE SOCIETY BY NEILL AND COMPANY MECCOLXVII



Nicotine



Morphine



d-tubocurarine

FORCES THAT DETERMINE LIGAND-RECEPTOR INTERACTIONS

Favourable forces

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

Unfavourable forces

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

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

Almost 100 years later:

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

> C. Hansch & T. Fujita J. Am. Chem. Soc. **86**, 1616 (1964)

"A Mathematical Contribution to Structure-Activity Studies"

S. M. Free, Jr. & J. W. Wilson *J. Med. Chem.* **7**, 395 (1964)



MOLECULAR PARAMETERS USED IN QSAR:

electronic: σ constants (Δ pKa values), NMR chemical shifts, atomic charges, MO indices, frontier orbital energies, superdelocalizability indices, electrostatic potential...

hydrophobic: π values (Δ log P values), HPLC log k'...

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

DRAGON 5 calculates 1,630 molecular descriptors



http://www.talete.mi.it/dragon.htm

ID Block	Block description	Desc. No.
1	constitutional descriptors	48
2	topological descriptors	119
3	walk and path counts	47
4	connectivity indices	33
5	information indices	47
6	2D autocorrelations	96
7	edge adjacency indices	107
8	BCUT descriptors	64
9	topological charge indices	21
10	eigenvalue-based indices	44
11	Randic molecular profiles	41
12	aeometrical descriptors	74
13	RDF descriptors	150
14	3D-MoRSE descriptors	160
15	WHIM descriptors	99
16	GETAWAY descriptors	197
17	functional aroup counts	152
18	atom-centred fragments	120
19	charge descriptors	14
20	molecular properties	29

Hydrophobicity







• log P > 0 : lipid phase log P < 0 : water phase

Shake flask experiment





Upon this gifted age, in its dark hour, Rains from the sky a meteoric shower of facts...they lie unquestioned, uncombined. Wisdom enough to leach us of our ill Is daily spun; but there exists no loom To weave it into fabric.

--Edna St. Vincent-Millay



http://www.biobyte.com/bb/prod/bioloom.html



http://www.logp.com/

Interactive LogK_{ow} (KowWin)

http://www.syrres.com/esc/est_kowdemo.htm

✓ calculates log P (octanol-water partition coefficient) and retrieve experimental log P data from an experimental database of 13,000 compounds. ✓ If experimental data is available, it is listed below the estimation.

Antiadrenergic Activities of meta-, para-, and meta, para-Disubstituted N,N-Dimethyl-α-bromophenethylamines



meta	para	log 1/C	meta	para	log 1/C
Н	н	7.46	CI	F	8.19
H	F	8.16	Br	F	8.57
H	CI	8.68	Me	F	8.82
H	Br	8.89	CI	CI	8.89
H	E.	9.25	Br	CI	8.92
H	Me	9.30	Me	CI	8.96
F	н	7.52	CI	Br	9.00
CI	н	8.16	Br	Br	9.35
Br	н	8.30	Me	Br	9.22
1	н	8.40	Me	Me	9.30
Me	н	8.46	Br	Me	9.52

	meta (X)	para (Y)	log 1/C obsd.	π	ď	E ₈ ^{meta}	log 1/C calc.	log 1/C calc.	
•	Н	Н	7.46	0.00	0.00	1.24	7.82	7.88	
	н	F	8.16	0.15	-0.07	1.24	8.09	8.17	Matrix for
	н	CI	8.68	0.70	0.11	1.24	8.46	8.60	Hansch
	н	Br	8.89	1.02	0.15	1.24	8.77	8.94	Hallsul
	н	1	9.25	1.26	0.14	1.24	9.06	9.26	Analysis
	н	Me	9.30	0.52	-0.31	1.24	8.87	8.98	
	F	н	7.52	0.13	0.35	0.78	7.45	7.43	
	CI	н	8.16	0.76	0.40	0.27	8.11	8.05	_
	Br	н	8.30	0.94	0.41	0.08	8.30	8.22	Br
	1	н	8.40	1.15	0.36	-0.16	8.61	8.51	XAL
	Me	н	8.46	0.51	-0.07	0.00	8.51	8.36	
	CI	F	8.19	0.91	0.33	0.27	8.38	8.34	
	Br	F	8.57	1.09	0.34	0.08	8.57	8.51	Y V XI
	Me	F	8.82	0.66	-0.14	0.00	8.78	8.65	
	CI	CI	8.89	1.46	0.51	0.27	8.75	8.77	
	Br	CI	8.92	1.64	0.52	0.08	8.94	8.94	
	Me	CI	8.96	1.21	0.04	0.00	9.15	9.08	
	CI	Br	9.00	1.78	0.55	0.27	9.06	9.11	
	Br	Br	9.35	1.96	0.56	0.08	9.25	9.29	
	Me	Br	9.22	1.53	0.08	0.00	9.46	9.43	
	Me	Me	9.30	1.03	-0.38	0.00	9.56	9.47	
	Br	Me	9.52	1.46	0.10	0.08	9.35	9.33	



 $\mu = 7.82$

x HCI

F CI Br I Me F CI Br I Me (X) (Y) obs. calc. 7.82 н 7.46 н 8.16 8.16 н F 1 8.68 8.59 CL 8.84 Br 8.89 9.25 9.25 9.08 Me 9.30 1 7.52 7.52 F н 1 8.16 8.03 CI н 1 8.30 8.26 8.40 н 8.40 8.46 8.28 Me 8.37 CI 8.19 1 8.57 8.60 8.62 8.82 1 CI CI 8.89 8.80 1 CI 8.92 9.02 Br Me CL 8.96 9.04 9.05 CI Br 9.00 1 9.35 9.28 Br 9.22 9.30 Br Me 1 9.30 9.53 Me Me 1 1 Br Me 9.52 1 9.51 1

meta para log 1/C meta-



log 1/C

para-



Free Wilson Analysis, Results:

Position	Ĥ	F	CI	Br	- T	Me
meta	0.00	-0.30	0.21	0.43	0.58	0.45
para	0.00	0.34	0.77	1.02	1.43	1.26

(n = 22; r = 0.97; s = 0.19)

Hansch Analyses, Results:

C. Hansch and E. J. Lien, Biochem. Pharmacol. 17, 709 (1968) $\log 1/C = 1.221 \pi - 1.587 \sigma + 7.888$ (n = 22; r = 0.918; s = 0.238)

A. Cammarata, J. Med. Chem. 15, 573 (1972) $\log 1/C = 0.747 (\pm 0.12) \pi_m - 0.911 (\pm 0.25) \sigma_m$ + 1.666 (±0.12) r, para + 5.769 (n = 22; r = 0.961; s = 0.164)

Hansch Equations

 $\log 1/C = 1.151 (\pm 0.19) \pi - 1.464 (\pm 0.38) \sigma^{+} + 7.817 (\pm 0.19)$ (n = 22; r = 0.945; s = 0.196; F = 78.63) $\log 1/C = 1.259 (\pm 0.19) \pi - 1.460 (\pm 0.34) \sigma^+$ + 0.208 (±0.17) E.meta + 7.619 (±0.24) (n = 22; r = 0.959; s = 0.173; F = 69.24)

Free Wilson Equation

 $\log 1/C = -0.301 (\pm 0.50) [m-F] + 0.207 (\pm 0.29) [m-Cl]$ + 0.434 (±0.27) [m-Br] + 0.579 (±0.50) [m-I] + 0.454 (±0.27) [m-Me] + 0.340 (±0.30) [p-F] + 0.768 (±0.30) [p-Cl] + 1.020 (±0.30) [p-Br] + 1.429 (±0.50) [p-l] + 1.256 (±0.33) [p-Me] $+7.821(\pm 0.27)$ (n = 22; r = 0.969; s = 0.194; F = 16.99)

Free Wilson Analyses

Antibacterial activity of phenols vs. Staphylococcus aureus

X = H. CI

log 1/C = 0.503 (±0.13) [Cl] + 2.578 (n = 9; r = 0.960; s = 0.256; F = 83.06)

Corticosteroid-binding globulin affinities of steroids



log 1/CBG = 2.022 (±0.52) [4.5 >C=C<] + 5.186 (±0.36) (n = 21; r = 0.882; s = 0.568; F = 66.41; $Q^2 = 0.726$; $s_{PRESS} = 0.630$)



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

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

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

The Squared Correlation Coefficient, R²

Total Sum of Squares:

Residual Sum of Squares:

 $R^{2} = \frac{ESS}{TSS} \equiv \frac{TSS - RSS}{TSS} \equiv 1 - \frac{RSS}{TSS}$

TSS =Explained Sum of Squares: $ESS = \sum (y_{calc,i})$ RSS =

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

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

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

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

"Comparative Molecular Field Analysis (CoMFA). 1. Effect of Shape on Binding of Steroids to Carrier Proteins' R. D. Cramer, III, D. E. Patterson & J. D. Bunce J. Am. Chem. Soc. 110, 5959 (1988)

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

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



3D QSAR

- Can use 3D fingerprint descriptors
- Often involves direct comparison of molecules, e.g. overlap of fields
- Requires method of aligning molecules in 3D (molecular superposition)
- As well as being used predictively, some 3D QSAR can be used to build a "pharmacophore" which describes the features in common

Alignment of structures in 3D



Molecular Superposition and Pharmacophore Detection

- Superimpose several molecules in 3D
- Calculate similarity between molecules
- Visualize molecular similarity
- · Build a model of activity
- Pharmacophore model generation
- Infer how molecule might bind to protein

Usually employed in cases when no protein structure is available for docking studies

Simple pharmacophore for an H₁ antihistamine



Introducing the 3rd dimension: 3D QSAR (CoMFA)



NON-BONDING TERMS



CoMFA

- Stands for <u>Comparative Molecular Field Analysis</u>
- Uses fields to optimize overlay of multiple structures based on features related to binding:
 - Electrostatics
 - Sterics
 - Hydrophobics
- · Finds commonality in the fields, and correlates with activity
- · Requires that structures be manually or automatically aligned
- · Can be used predictively or for visualization
- Integrates with SYBYL

http://www.tripos.com/sciTech/inSilicoDisc/strActRelationship/qsar.html

CoMFA Features

- Develop quantitative structure-activity relationships
- · Predict the properties and activities of untested molecules
- · Compare different QSAR models statistically and visually
- · Optimize the properties of a lead compound
- Validate models of receptor binding sites
- Generate hypotheses about the characteristics of a receptor binding site
- · Prioritize compounds for synthesis or screening
- Determine key structural requirements for high affinity receptor ligands

THE ESSENCE OF 3D-QSAR IS:

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

Green & Marshall, *TiPS 16, 285 (1995)*



Manuel Pastor, Gabriele Cruciani, Kimberly Watson

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

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

	symbol	descr	ription		selec	ted	
1	ОН2	Water	r				_
2	DRY	The H	The Hydrophobic Probe				
3	н	Hydro	Hydrogen				
4	C3	Methy	Methyl CH3 group				
5	C1=	sp2 C	sp2 CH aromatic or vinyl				
6	N:#	sp N 1	with lone pair				The late
7	N:=	sp2 N	sp2 N with lone pair		e View	Data	Mo
8	N:	sp3 N	l with lone pair				
9	N-:	Anion	Anionic tetrazole N				
10	N1	Neutr	Neutral flat NH eg amide				
11	N1+	sn3 a	mine NH cation				



http://www.moldiscovery.com/



CoMFA is a (3D-Q)SAR method



PCA and PLS

- *Principal Component Analysis* may be used to preselect principal components (i.e. the descriptors which account for the most variance in the independent variables), which are then used instead of the original descriptors in the equations
- *Partial Least Squares* is a method which also takes into account the variance in the dependent variable to derive coefficients that weigh the importance of each contribution to the differences in activity.

Cross-validated PLS analyses



Performance

Standard Deviation of Error in Predictions:



Correlation Coefficient in Cross-Validation:



		TRADITIONAL QSAR Advantages:	3D-QSAR Disadvantages:	
TRADITIONAL QSAR	3D-QSAR	- Simplicity and speed	- More complicated to run	
- Conceneric series	- Congeneric series		- A bioactive conformation must be assumed	
- Missing physicochemical parameter values - No parameters must be estimated		- No alignment needed	- Superposition rules and alignment problems	
- Lack of 3D structural information	- 3D structural information included	 May extrapolate into unexplored region with care 	- Difficult to extrapolate into unexplored regions	
- Results expressed only as a numerical equation	- Results can be graphically displayed in 3D	- Results summarized in a simple equation	- Results not usually summarized in an equation	
- Collinearity of parameters must be avoided	- Energy fields can be collinear	- Useful information is provided by the coefficients in the correlation equation	 Less useful information from the coefficients obtained in the correlation equation 	
- Inadequate description of steric effects	- Good description of steric effects	- No weighting of parameters is necessary	- Many adjustable parameters involved	
- Inadequate description of hydrogen bonding	- Inadequate description of hydrogen bonding		- Use of indicator variables is not straightforward	
	Theory, Methods and Applications' (1993)		K. H. Kim, in '3D QSAR in Drug Design. Theory, Methods and Applications' (1993)	
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ENERGETICS OF COMPLEX FORMATION



$$\Delta \mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{binding}} = \mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{LR}} - (\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{R}} + \mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{L}})$$



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



<u>Com</u>parative <u>Bin</u>ding <u>E</u>nergy (COMBINE) Análisis Comparativo de Energías de Unión

<u>Co</u>mparative <u>M</u>olecular <u>F</u>ield <u>A</u>nalysis (CoMFA) Análisis Comparativo de Campos Moleculares













Modulation of Binding Strength in Active Site Inhibitors of Acetylcholinesterase Studied by Comparative Binding Energy (COMBINE) Analysis



Martín-Santamaría, S.; Muñoz-Muriedas, J.; Luque, F.J.; Gago, F. J. Med. Chem. 47, 4471-4482 (2004)







Understanding the basis of resistance in the irksome Lys103Asn HIV-1 reverse transcriptase mutant through targeted molecular dynamics simulations



Rodríguez-Barrios, F.; Gago, F. "Understanding the basis of resistance in the irksome Lys103Asn HIV-1 reverse transcriptase mutant through targeted molecular dynamics simulations" *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, 126(47): 15386-15387 (2004)

Time evolution of the mass-weighted root-mean-square deviation (rmsd) of all the atoms in the simulated structures compared to the reference structures





Sensitivity (μ M) of HIV-1 RT to different NNRTIs

Compound	Wild-type	K103N
Nevirapine	0.39 ± 0.085	≥ 10
Delavirdine	0.25 ± 0.085	7.0 ± 0.28
TSAO-m ³ T	0.85 ± 0.085	8.5 ± 0.57
Emivirine (MKC-442)	0.059 ± 0.011	2.1 ± 0.21
Thiocarboxanilide (UC-781)	0.036 ± 0.014	0.83 ± 0.62
PETT (MSK-076)	0.002 ± 0.001	0.007 ± 0.0005
Quinoxaline (GW867)	0.017 ± 0.008	0.43 ± 0.035
Capravirine (AG/1549)	0.005 ± 0.001	0.004 ± 0.001
Efavirenz	0.004 ± 0.002	0.14 ± 0.064
Etravirine (TMC-125)	0.029 ± 0.014	0.032 ± 0.015
ddGTP	0.037 ± 0.002	0.016 ± 0.003
PFA (foscarnet)	5.4 ± 0.49	2.5 ± 0.74

50% inhibitory concentration or compound concentration required to inhibit recombinant HIV-1 RT by 50%. Template/primer: (poly)rC (oligo)dG; radiolabeled substrate: [³H]dGTP.



Time evolution of the mass-weighted root-mean-square deviation (rmsd) along the simulation time



Rodriguez-Barrios, F.; Balzarini, J.; Gago, F. "The molecular basis of resilience to the effect of the Lys103Asn mutation in nonnucleoside HIV-1 reverse transcriptase inhibitors studied by targeted molecular dynamics simulations" *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, 127(20): 7570-7578 (2005)

Inhibición de la Aldosa Reductasa como Diana para Prevenir las Complicaciones Diabéticas



Synthesis, Activity, and Molecular Modeling Studies of Novel Human Aldose Reductase Inhibitors Based on a Marine Natural Product



de la Fuente, J.A.; Manzanaro, S.; G. de Quesada, T.; Reymundo, I.; Luengo, S.M.; Gago, F. J. Med. Chem. 46: 5208-5221 (2003)



Ciclos termodinámicos



✓ La energía libre es una función termodinámica de estado: con tal de que el sistema cambie de forma reversible, el cambio en energía libre, Δ G, será independiente de la ruta.

 ✓ Si los procesos no físicos se simulan en condiciones idénticas, se pueden cancelar los errores inherentes a esta aproximación.



Marco, E.; Laine, W.; Tardy, C.; Lansiaux, A.; Iwao, M.; Ishibashi, F.; Bailly, C.; Gago, F. "Molecular determinants of topoisomerase I poisoning by lamellarins: comparison with camptothecin and structure-activity relationships" *J. Med. Chem.* 48(11): 3796-3807 (2005)



Glivec (STI571/ Imatinib): a rationally developed, targeted anticancer drug



Glivec development timeline





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