
The playbooks of medicinal chemistry design moves

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Hero's of Small Molecule Drug Design (Medicinal Chemists)



1910

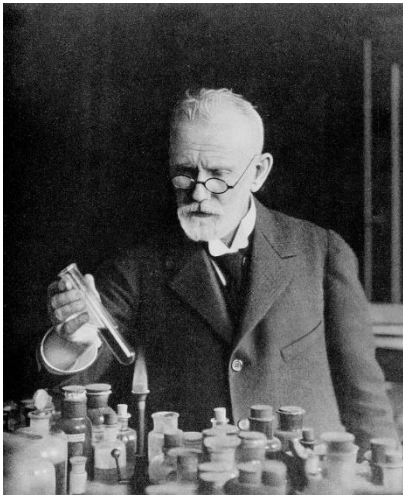
Paul Ehrlich (Physicist)

Alfred Bertheim (Chemist)

Salvarsan,

Syphilis

First rational Design



1960

Leo Sternbach (Chemist)

Roche

Benzodiazepines

Anxiety, seizures, muscle spasms



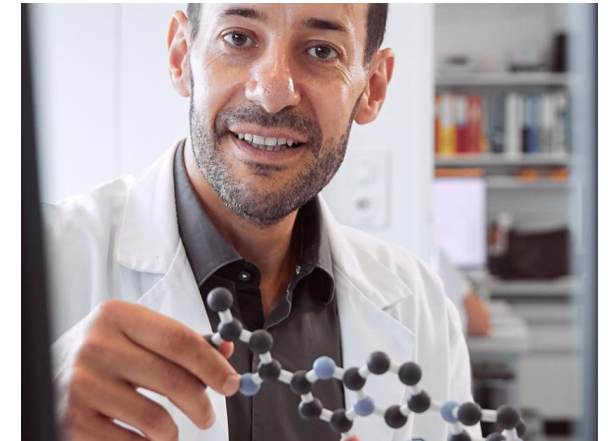
2020

Hassane Ratni (Chemist)

Roche

Risdiplam

Spinal muscular atrophy



Compound optimization, now and then

Roche

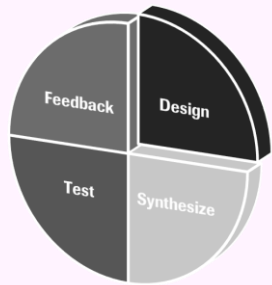
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~900 designs

Intuitions of chemist/chemistry

>100 years



QSAR analysis

Generative Deep neural Network

Machine learning models

2D/3D Virtual Screening

Databases

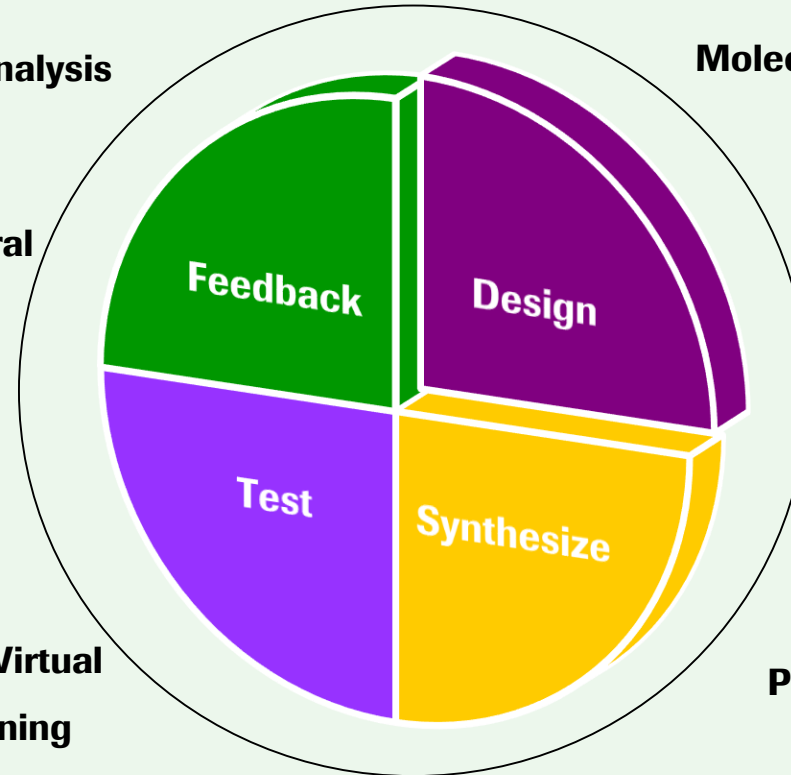
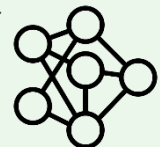
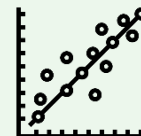
Compounds/bioactivity/target/structure/reactions



Computers



Access/Sharing, Search, Analyze



Molecular Docking

3D-Modelling

Molecular Dynamics

Free-Energy Perturbation study

Wouldn't it be great to have a way to capture MedChem Design Moves?

Roche



**Democratizing
Medchem. moves**

Systematic

Comprehensive

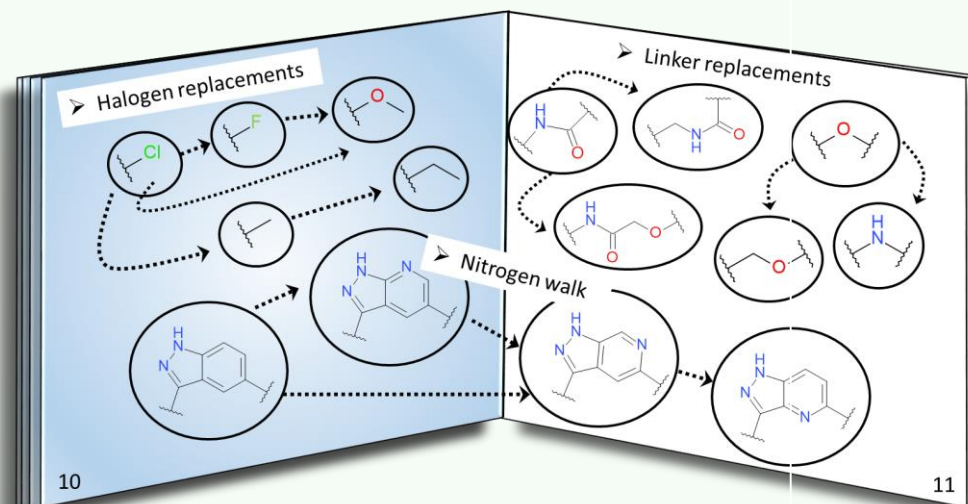
**Automated idea
generation**



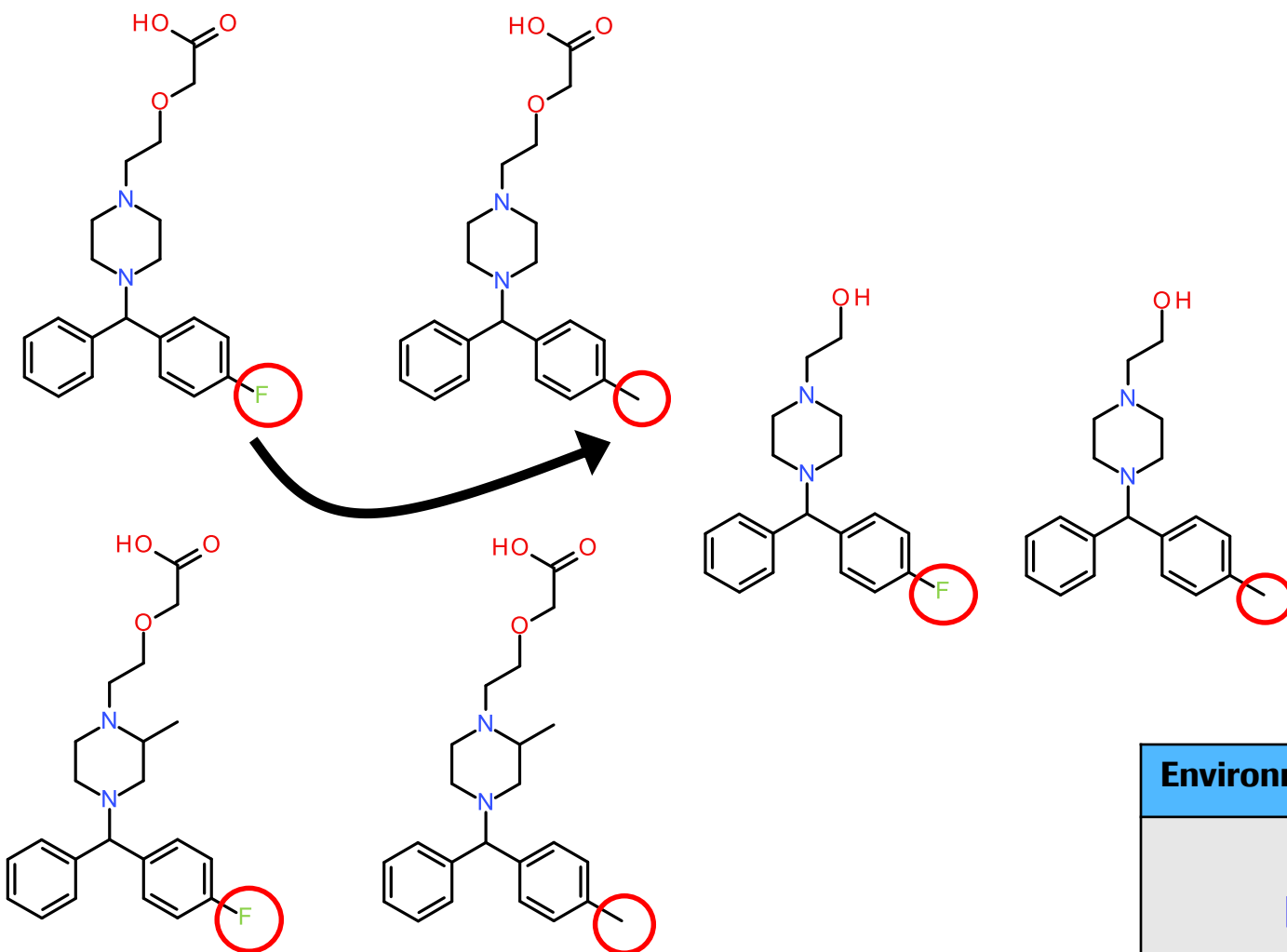
**Simulate
MedChem
Thinking**

Explainable

**Synthetically
tractable
solutions**



Matched Molecular Pairs (MMP): Generating Med Chem Knowledge



Molecule A	Molecule B	Δ Property
ID01	ID04	-0.2
ID02	ID05	-0.1
ID03	ID06	-0.4
...		

Environment	Rule	Mean Δ	Std. Dev.	Frequency
		-0.4	0.2	3

Increase scope of compounds

Intentional design moves

unintentional design moves

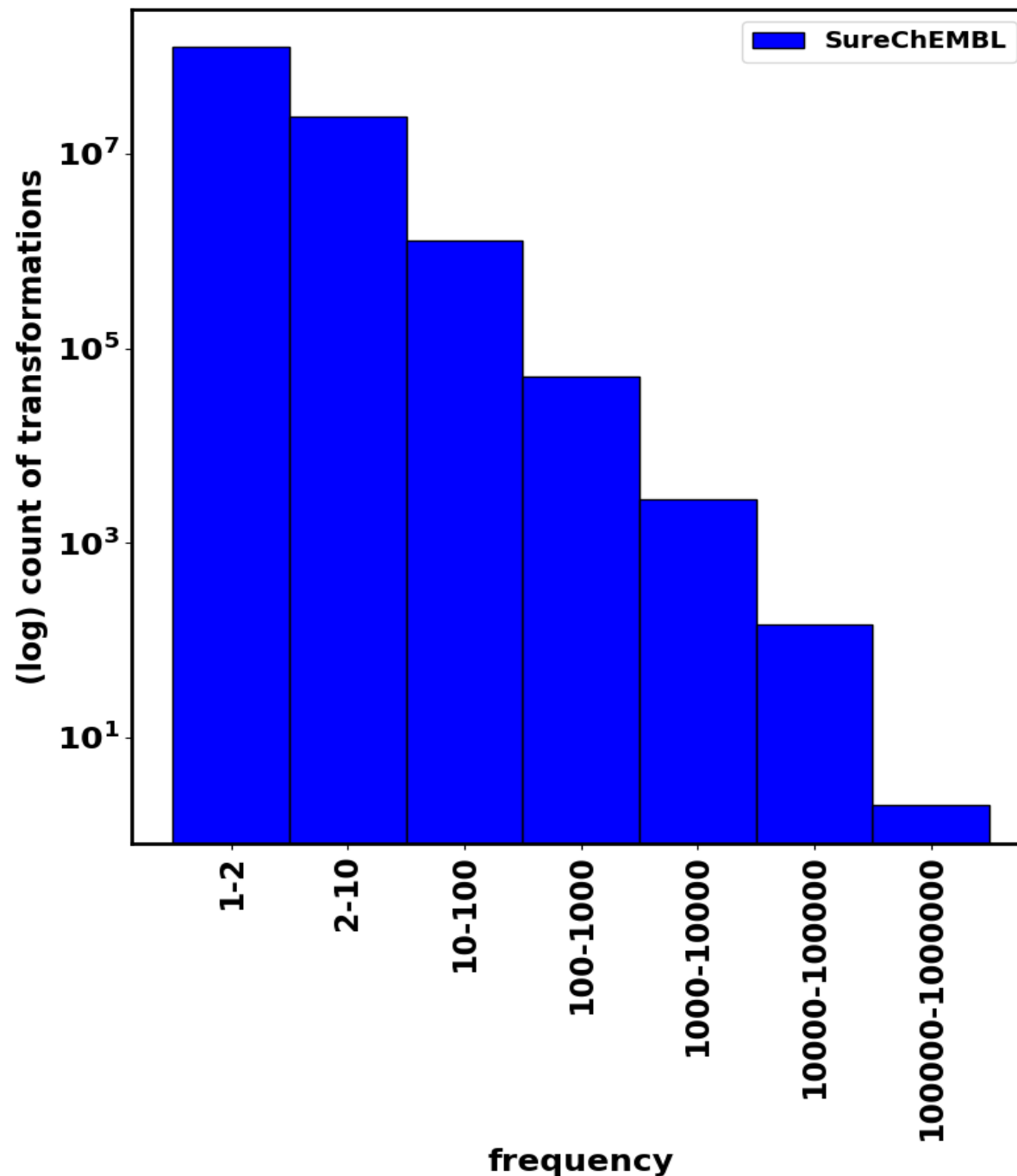
Compiling the Playbooks

Chemical Environment at Radius 3

ChEMBL: ~10 Million

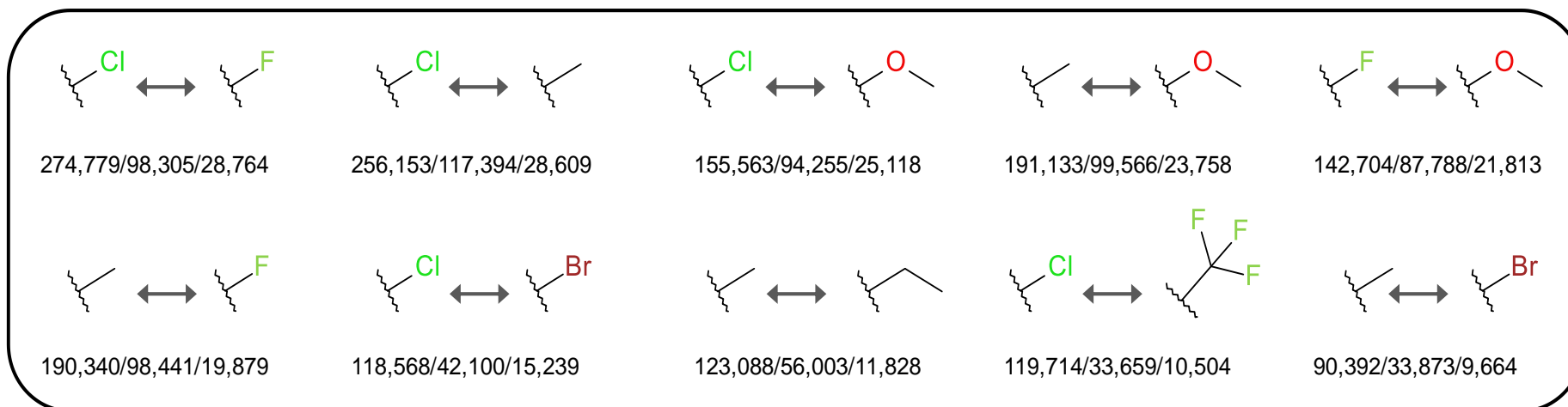
Roche: ~29 Million

SureChEMBL: ~162 Million

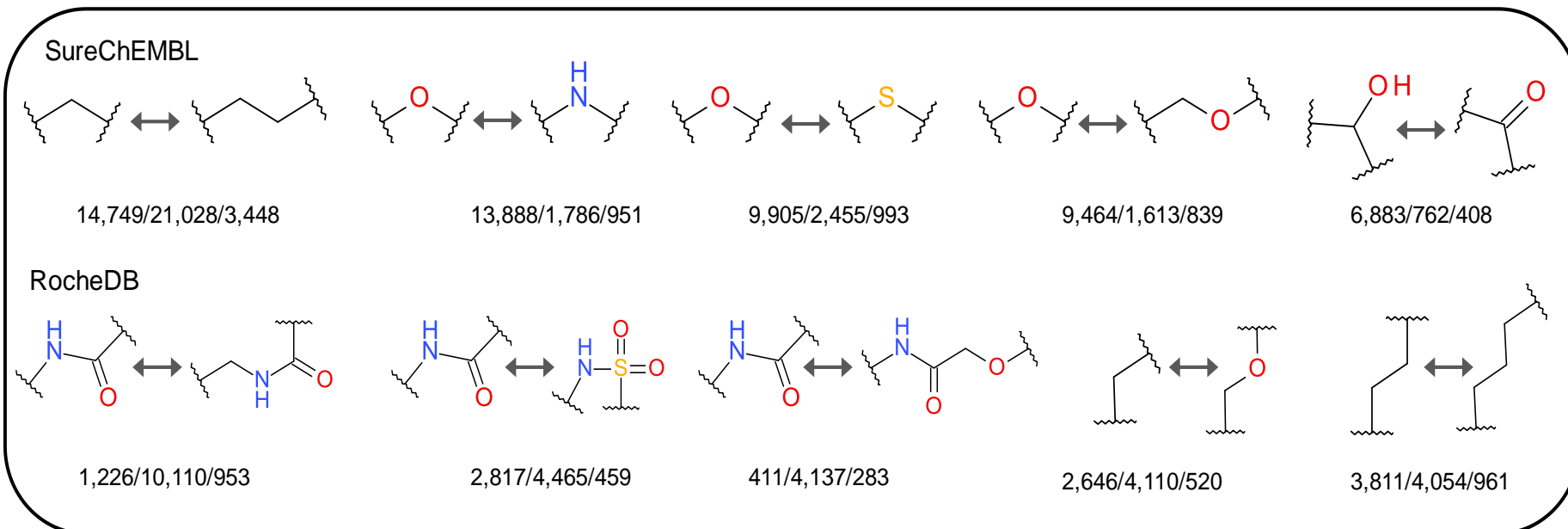


Inside the Playbooks

a) Frequent Single cut transformations

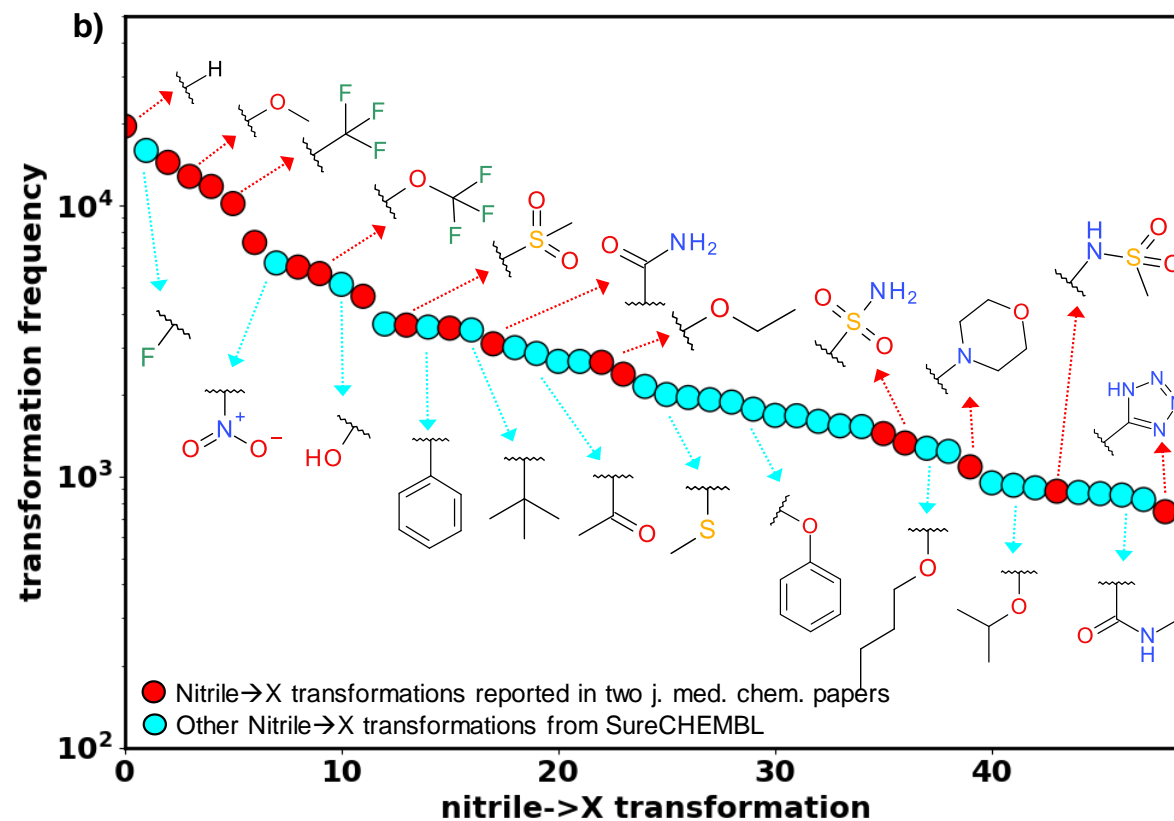
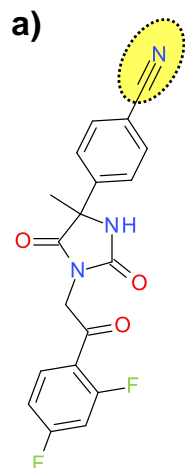


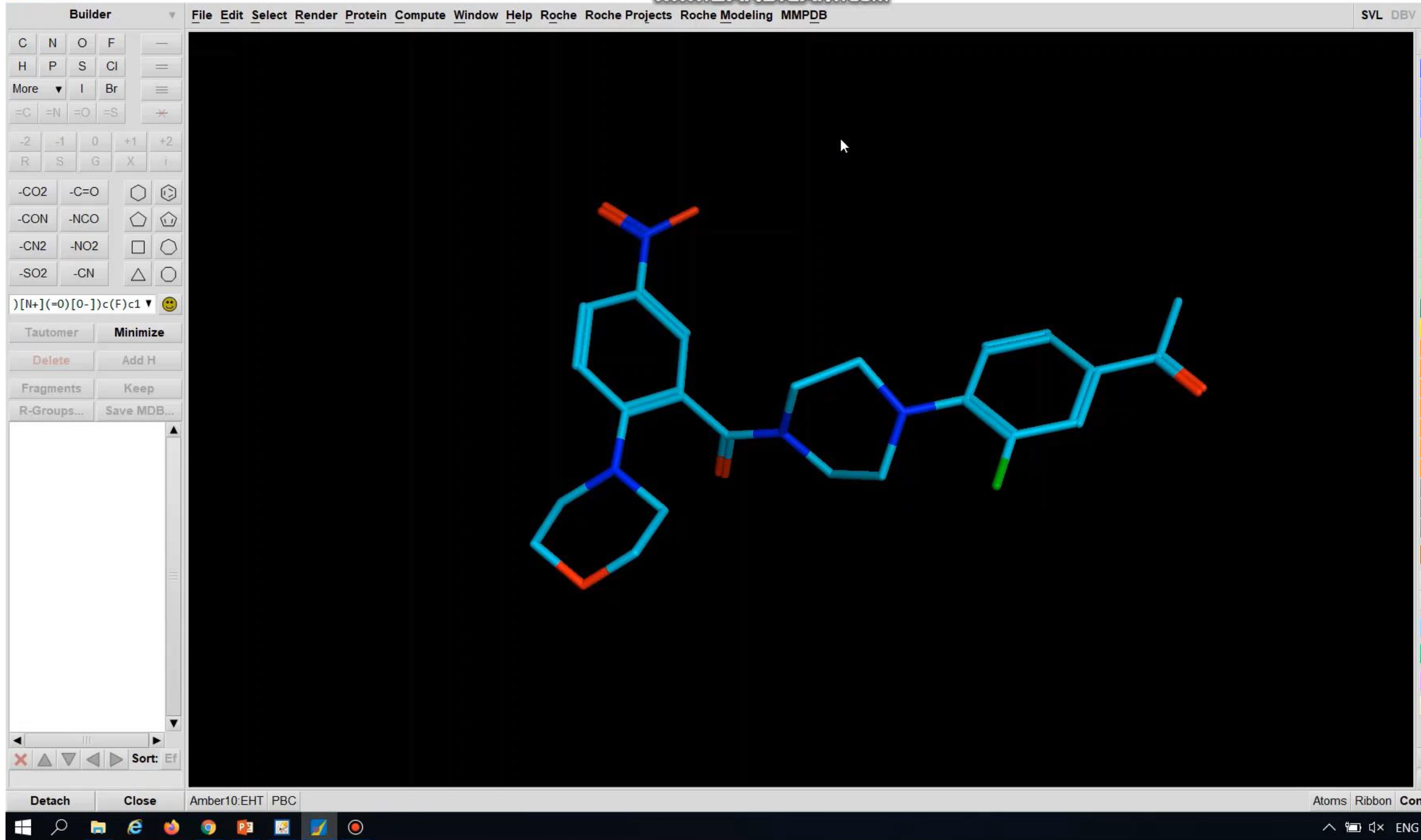
b) Frequent Double cut , acyclic-acyclic transformations



Validation Study

transformation frequency	no. of transformations from SureChEMBL	no. of recovered transformations
>=1 and <10	11,852	1
>=10 and <100	1,457	5
>=100 and <1000	206	7
>=1000	40	17
Total	13,555	30/30



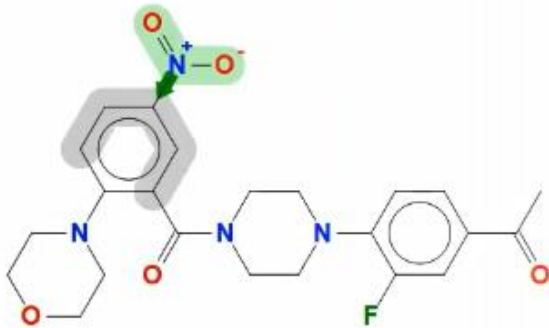


Builder File Edit Select Render Protein Compute Window Help Roche Roche Projects Roche Modeling MMPDB SVL DBV

C N O F
H P S Cl
More I Br
=C =N =O =S
-2 -1 0 +1 +2
R S G X

MMPDB/web Predict Transformation

Select: #1:



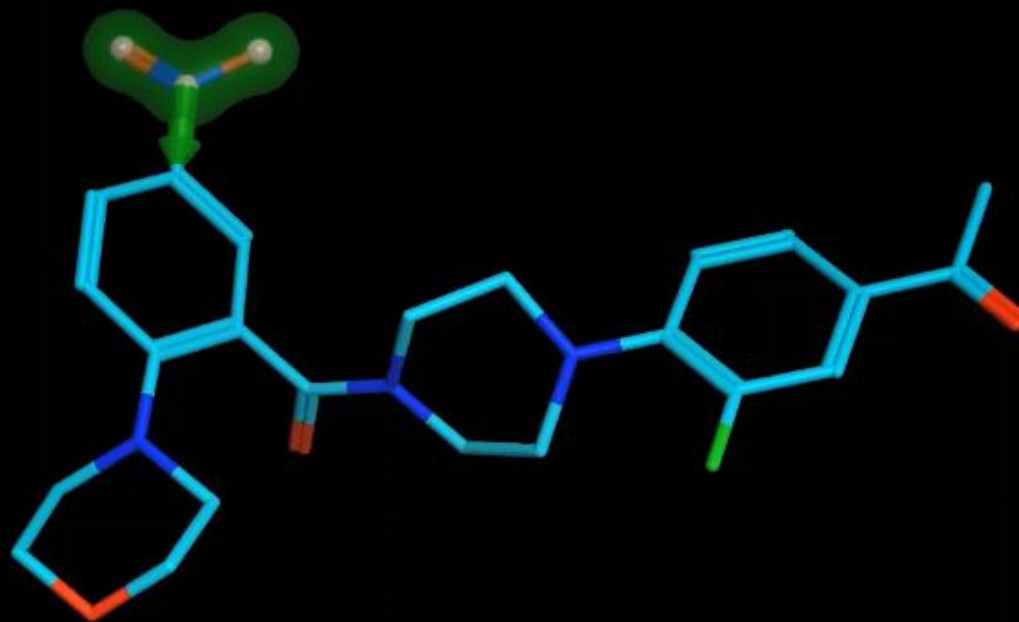
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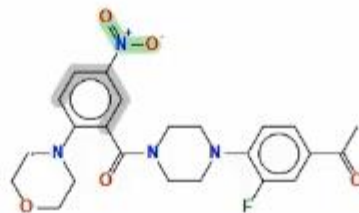
TransformDB: surechemblDB Radius: 3 Frequency: 500

MCS ConfGen: ☐

Submit Cancel

Sort: Ef





Radius: 3 Frequency: 1681

	mol	example_lhs	example_rhs
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13	<chem>CC(=O)Nc1ccc(N2</chem>	SCHEMBL1930466	SCHEMBL1930375
14	<chem>CC(=O)c1ccc(N2C</chem>	SCHEMBL947293	SCHEMBL16156066
15	<chem>CCc1ccc(N2CCOCC</chem>	SCHEMBL947293	SCHEMBL667823
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31	<chem>CSc1ccc(N2CCOCC</chem>	SCHEMBL6750268	SCHEMBL8490674

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