

The background features several molecular models. In the top right, a blue carbon nanotube-like structure is visible. On the left, a grey mesh surface represents a protein binding pocket, with a blue ribbon showing a molecular path. In the bottom right, there are orange and white ball-and-stick molecular models, including a benzene ring and a more complex heterocyclic structure.

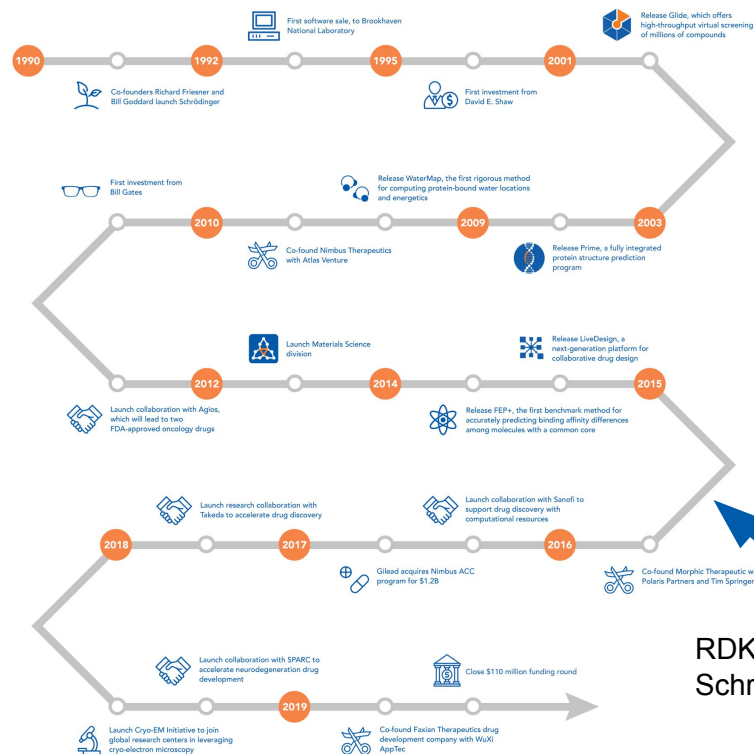
Stereochemistry: vials vs files

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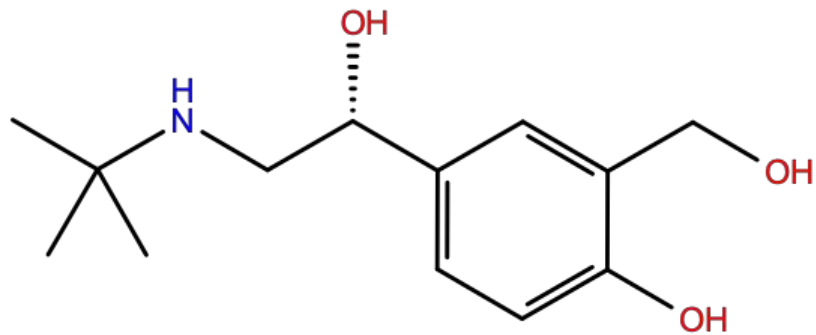
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# Schrodinger and the RDKit



RDKit first bundled with Schrödinger suite

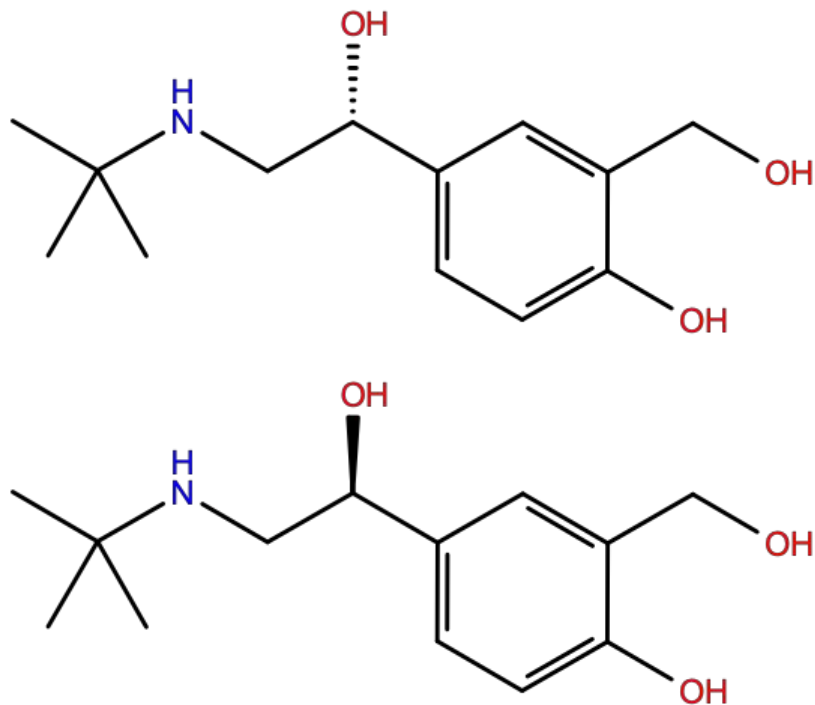
# *(R)*-Salbutamol aka albuterol



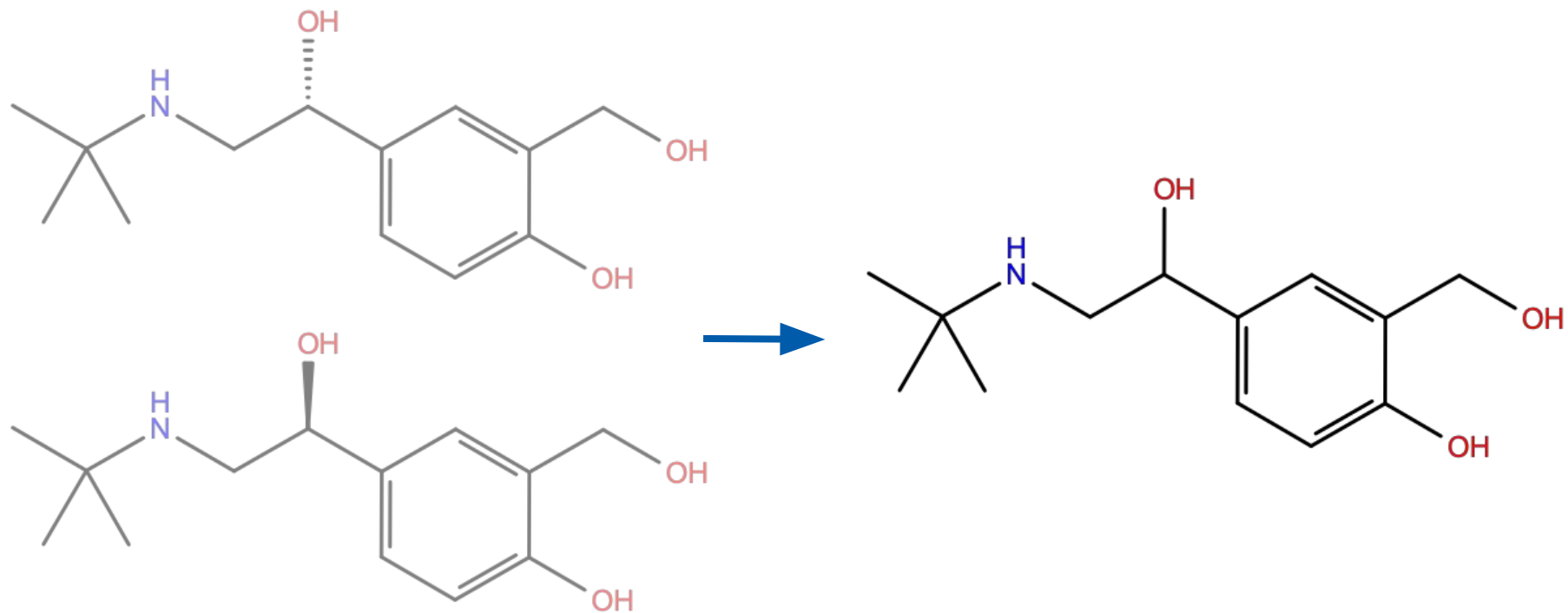
# albuterol



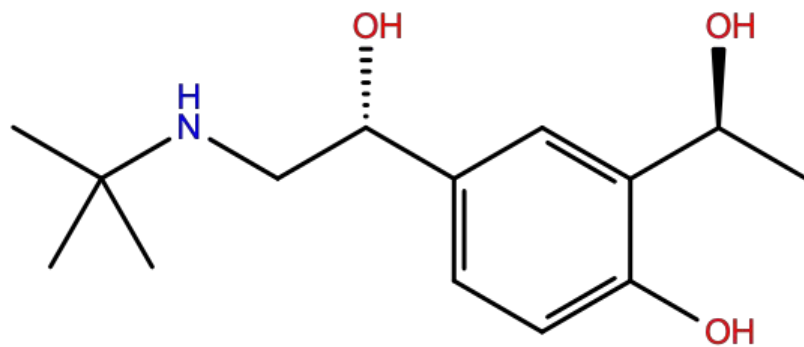
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A bit more complicated...



# Use Enhanced Stereochemistry

Also called:

- Extended stereochemistry
- Relative stereochemistry
- Stereo groups

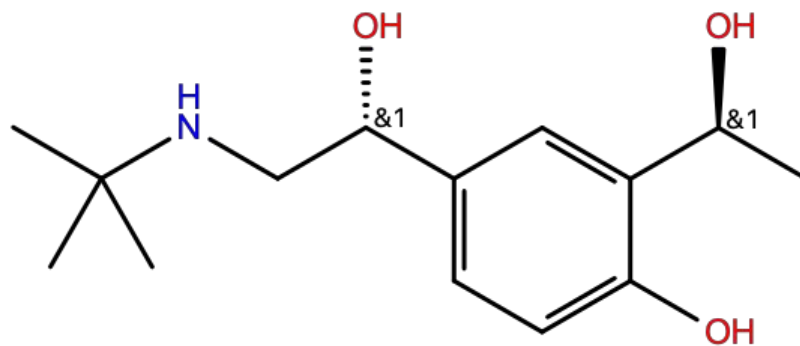
Specified in these file formats

- CXSMILES
- SDF v3000

We added support in the RDKit

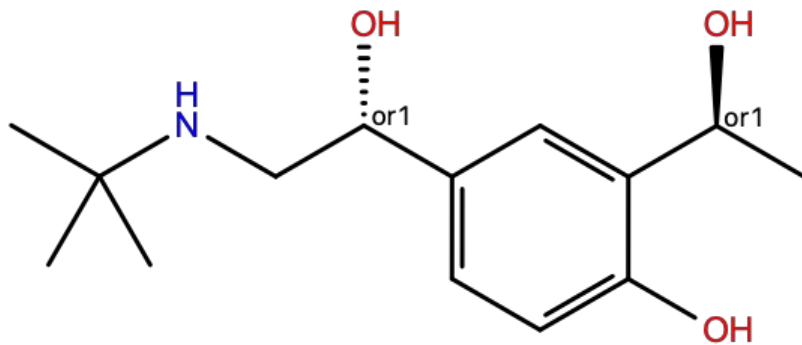


# AND: A mixture of diastereomers



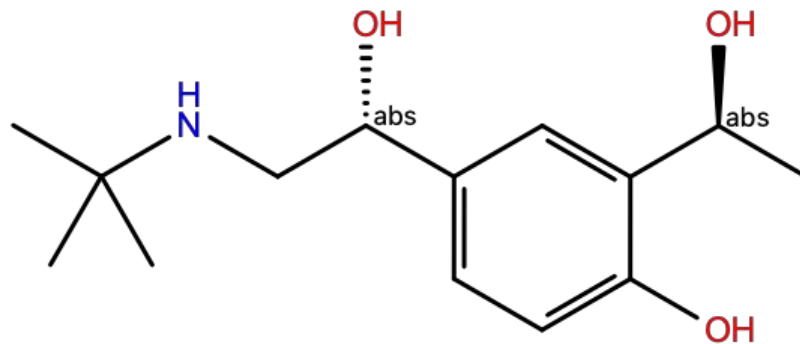
C[C@H](O)c1cc([C@@H](O)CNC(C)(C)C)ccc1O |&1:1,6|

# Or - a distinct but unknown stereoisomer

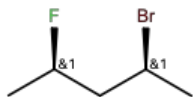


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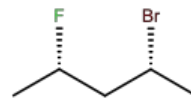
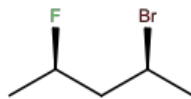
# ABSOLUTE: Exactly what it says in the structure



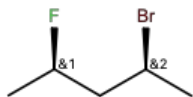
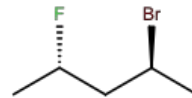
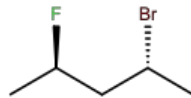
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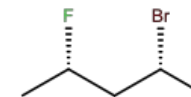
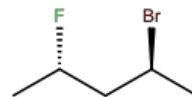
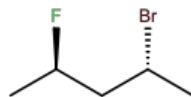
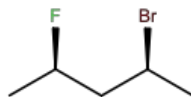
Mixture



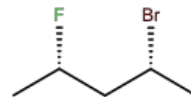
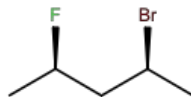
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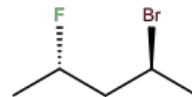
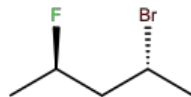
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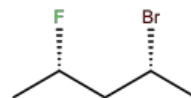
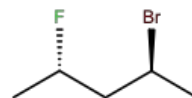
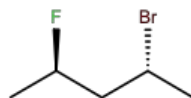
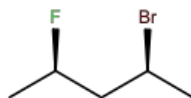
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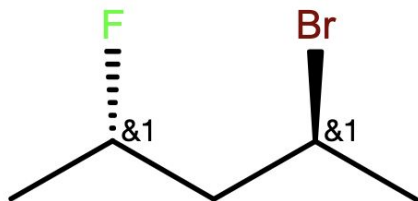


# CXSMILES - Read and Write

```
In [1]: from rdkit import Chem  
import dan_rendering
```

```
In [2]: m = Chem.MolFromSmiles('C[C@H](F)C[C@@H](Br)C |&1:1,4|')  
m
```

Out[2]:



```
In [3]: Chem.MolToCXSmiles(m)
```

Out[3]: 'C[C@H](F)C[C@H](C)Br |&1:1,4|'

# SD files - Read and Write

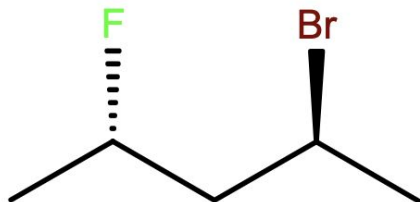
```
In [4]: print(Chem.MolToMolBlock(m))
```

```
RDKit          2D
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0999 V3000
M V30 BEGIN CTAB
M V30 COUNTS 7 6 0 0 0
M V30 BEGIN ATOM
M V30 1 C -2.519 -0.1968 0 0
M V30 2 C -1.6518 0.3014 0 0
M V30 3 F -1.6498 1.3014 0 0
M V30 4 C -0.7868 -0.2002 0 0
M V30 5 C 0.0802 0.298 0 0
M V30 6 Br 0.0822 1.298 0 0
M V30 7 C 0.9452 -0.2038 0 0
M V30 END ATOM
M V30 BEGIN BOND
M V30 1 1 2 1 CFG=3
M V30 2 1 2 3
M V30 3 1 2 4
M V30 4 1 4 5
M V30 5 1 5 6
M V30 6 1 5 7 CFG=1
M V30 END BOND
M V30 BEGIN COLLECTION
M V30 MDLV30/STERAC1 ATOMS=(2 2 5)
M V30 END COLLECTION
M V30 END CTAB
M END
```

# Add or remove stereo groups (C++ or Python)

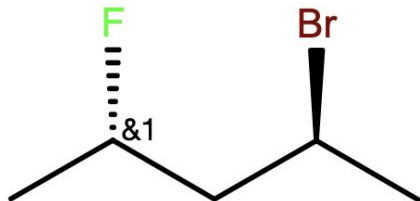
```
In [5]: editmol = Chem.RWMol(m)
        # Clear enhanced stereochemistry groups
        editmol.SetStereoGroups([])
        Chem.Mol(editmol)
```

Out[5]:



```
In [6]: from rdkit.Chem import rdchem
        # Add a new enhanced stereochemistry group
        group1 = rdchem.CreateStereoGroup(rdchem.StereoGroupType.STEREO_AND, editmol, [1])
        editmol.SetStereoGroups([group1])
        Chem.Mol(editmol)
```

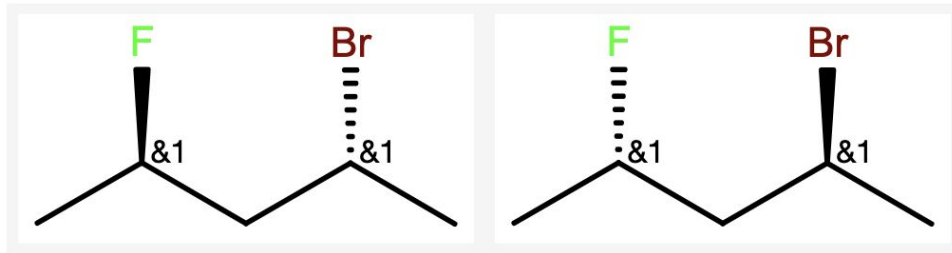
Out[6]:



# Enumerate the stereoisomers (Python only)

```
In [7]: from rdkit.Chem import EnumerateStereoisomers  
# Enumerate the stereoisomers  
stereoIsomers = list(EnumerateStereoisomers.EnumerateStereoisomers(m))  
dan_rendering.renderMols(stereoIsomers)
```

Out[7]:





# Match any stereoisomer with a MolBundle

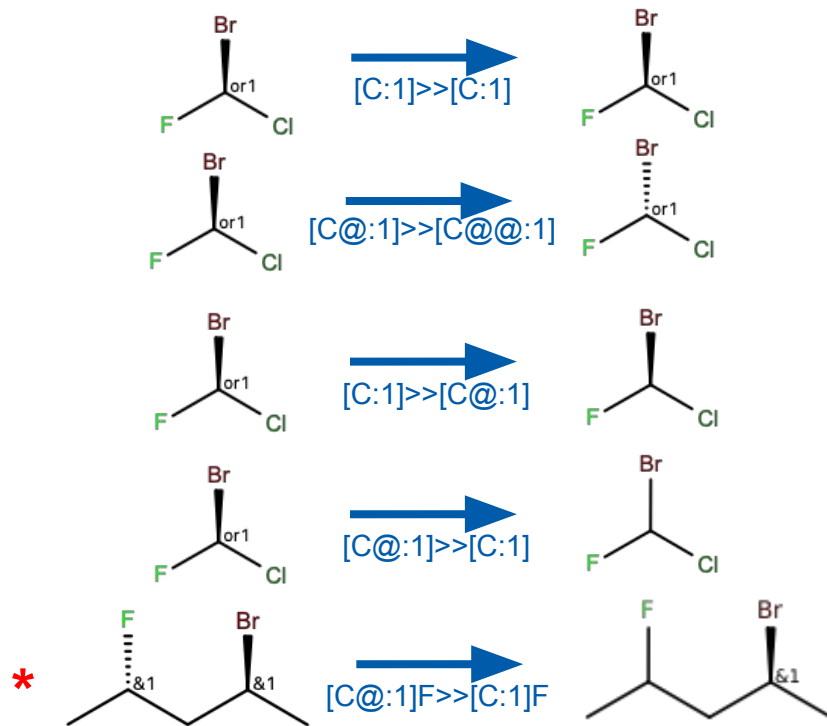
```
In [8]: Chem.MolToCXSmiles(m)
```

```
Out[8]: 'C[C@H](F)C[C@H](C)Br |&1:1,4|'
```

```
In [9]: stereoIsomerBundle = Chem.MolBundle()
        for isomer in stereoIsomers:
            stereoIsomerBundle.AddMol(isomer)
        params = Chem.SubstructMatchParameters()
        params.useChirality = True
        assert Chem.MolFromSmiles('C[C@H](F)C[C@@H](Br)C').HasSubstructMatch(stereoIsomerBundle, params)
        assert Chem.MolFromSmiles('C[C@@H](F)C[C@H](Br)C').HasSubstructMatch(stereoIsomerBundle, params)
        assert not Chem.MolFromSmiles('C[C@H](F)C[C@H](Br)C').HasSubstructMatch(stereoIsomerBundle, params)
```

# Reactants with enhanced stereochemistry

Sites are preserved unless chirality is created or destroyed



# Future work

- Depiction
- Canonicalization of SMILES including stereo groups
  - may be complicated for “or” stereo groups
- Substructure searching with stereo groups

# Conclusions

- Enhanced stereo labels allow representation of complex stereochemical relationships
- We expect that the groups will be preserved through RDKit operations
- Matching and uniquification are not seamless
- Other tools may not recognize stereo groups

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