

Computational Drug Discovery

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A small molecule intended to affect the structure/function of macromolecules



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- 1. Does the compound do what you want it to?
- Does the compound **not** do what you **don't** want it to?
- 3. Is what you want it to do the right thing?

Drug Discovery



Computational Drug Discovery



Kinds of Virtual Screening

ADMET

Ligand Based

- similarity to known binder
- QSAR
- pharmacophore

Receptor Based

- dock and score
- simulation

ADMET

Absorption Distribution Metabolism Excretion Toxicity

Will this be a usable drug?

Screening for ADMET:

Cytochrome P450 interaction Lipinksi's Rule of Five QSPR: Quantitative Structure Property Relationship

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Ligand Based: Similarity

Fingerprint Methods

- map molecules to a descriptor space:

1D: molecule weight, #h-bonds, etc. 2D: paths, bond distances between atom-pairs



- similarity is "distance" between descriptors
- for bit vectors, Tanimoto distance used

$$T(A,B) = \frac{|A \cap B|}{|A \cup B|}$$

Topological Fingerprints

Daylight/FP2 Fingerprints

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ECFP4

- all substructures with diameter 4 around every atom



Ligand Based: Similarity

Superposition Methods

- compute "overlap" between molecules
- consider shape, electrostatics, **pharmacophores**



Ligand Based: QSAR

Quantitative Structure/Activity Relationships

	Cmpd Number	Cmpd Name	X	Log EC₅₀	п	Calculated Log EC₅₀	Residual
	1	6a	Н	1.07	0	0.79	0.28
	2	6b	Cl	0.09	0.71	0.21	-0.12
	3	6d	NO ₂	0.66	-0.28	1.02	-0.36
•	4	6e	CN	1.42	-0.57	1.26	0.16
	5	6f	C_6H_5	-0.62	1.96	-0.81	0.19
	6	6g	N(CH ₃) ₂	0.64	0.18	0.65	-0.01
	7	6h	I	-0.46	1.12	-0.12	-0.34

Properties

Biological Activity = Learned linear function of properties 3D-QSAR: includes geometric/structural properties



Ligand/Receptor Based: Pharmacophore

Pharmacophore:

IUPAC: The ensemble of steric and electronic features that is necessary to ensure the optimal supra-molecular interactions with a specific biological target structure and to trigger (or to block) its biological response.

Common Features:

aromatic ring hydrophobic area positive ionizable negative ionizable hydrogen bond donor hydrogen bond acceptor



Pharmacophore Features



Charge-Charge







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Inhibitor of the influenza virus neuraminidase (antiviral agent)













Distance: D-A: $2.5\text{\AA} - 3.5\text{\AA} (4.0\text{\AA}?)$ H-A: $1.5\text{\AA} - 2.5\text{\AA}$ Angle: Depends on context



Turkey Ovomucoid Inhibitor





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http://www.chem.ucalgary.ca/courses/351/Carey5th/Ch11/benzene-mo.jpg

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Rings offset Interplanar distance: 3.3-3.8Å



Human liver glycogen phosphorylase a complexed with caffeine

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.2µM

50µM



Docking

Determine the **conformation** and **pose** of a ligand at a docking site

Challenge is to find conformation and pose with the best **score**



Two Phase Docking

1. Global Pose Estimation



2. Local Refinement



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Scoring Goals

Affinity Prediction

-how well does it bind?

Inactive/Active Discrimination

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Approximations:

Rigid or semi-rigid receptor Implicit water model

Scoring Types

Force-field based

inter- and intra- molecular forces van der Waals, electrostatic, torsional

Empirical

parameterized function is fit to binding energy data

Knowledge based

scoring function based on data, not physical principles

Consensus

combine multiple scoring functions

Force Field: Dock 4.0

Coulomb's Law q: partial charges D: dielectrict constant



Empirical: AutoDock Vina



Weight	Term
-0.0356	gauss ₁
-0.00516	gauss ₂
0.840	Repulsion
-0.0351	Hydrophobic
-0.587	Hydrogen bonding
0.0585	N _{rot}



Knowledge Based: RF-Score

Pairwise Distance Counts (<12Å)

Protein



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A machine learning approach to predicting protein-ligand binding affinity with applications to molecular docking

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Accurate pose prediction, binding discrimination, **and** affinity prediction without sacrificing performance?



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- **Key Idea:** Leverage "big data" 231,655,275 bioactivities in PubChem 125,526 structures in the PDB
 - 16,179 annotated complexes in PDBbind



Machine Learning

Features $X \rightarrow Model \rightarrow y$ Prediction

Neural Networks







Neural Networks





The universal approximation theorem

states that, under reasonable assumptions, a feedforward **neural network** with a finite number of nodes **can approximate any continuous** function to within a given error over a bounded input domain.

Deep Learning





Deep Learning



Image Recognition



Convolutional Neural Networks



CNNs for Protein-Ligand Scoring



Protein-Ligand Representation



(R,G,B) pixel

Protein-Ligand Representation



(R,G,B) pixel \rightarrow (Carbon, Nitrogen, Oxygen,...) **voxe** The only parameters for this representation are the choice of **grid resolution**, **atom density**, and **atom types**.

Model



Results

Affinity Prediction

Pose Prediction



Trained on PDBbind refined; tested on CSAR 🧐











https://research.googleblog.com/2015/06/inceptionism-going-deeper-into-neural.html



https://deepdreamgenerator.com/#gallery








Key Concepts

Ligand-Based Virtual Screening

Identifying new active compounds based on similarity to known active compounds; fingerprint is a bit vector representation of a molecule

Pharmacophore

A spatial arrangement of molecular features essential for biological activity - hydrogen bonding, hydrophobic, charged, etc.

Docking

Predict the position, pose and affinity of a molecule using the receptor structure

Scoring force field ... empirical ... knowledge based

Questions

- Developing a new drug costs on the order of a) 1 million b) 10 million c) 100 million d) 1 billion
- What does ADMET stand for?
- True or False. If two molecules have the same fingerprint, then they are the same.
- True or False. If two molecules are the same, they have the same fingerprint.
- Name three examples of pharmacophore features.
- True or False. Similarity search requires a receptor structure.
- True or False. Docking requires a receptor structure.
- A CNN-based scoring function is
- a) physics-based b) empirical c) knowledge-based

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