



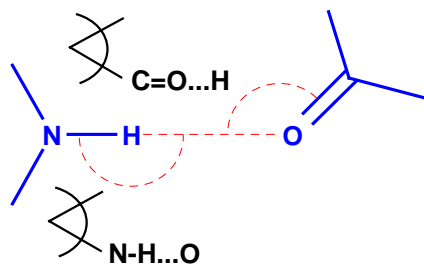
Hydrogen Bonds and Biological Activities

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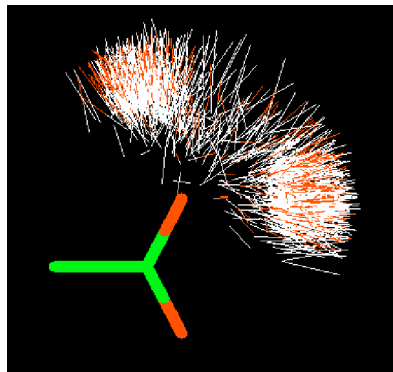
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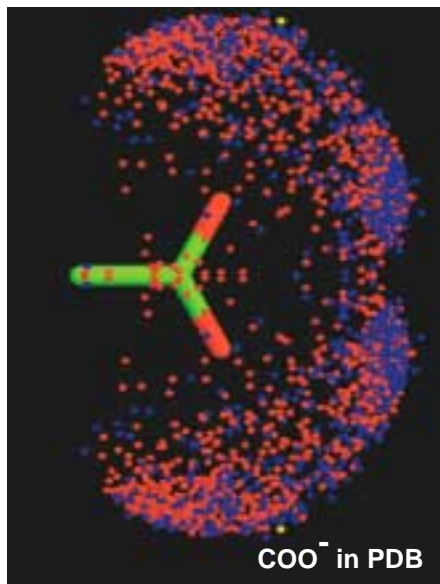
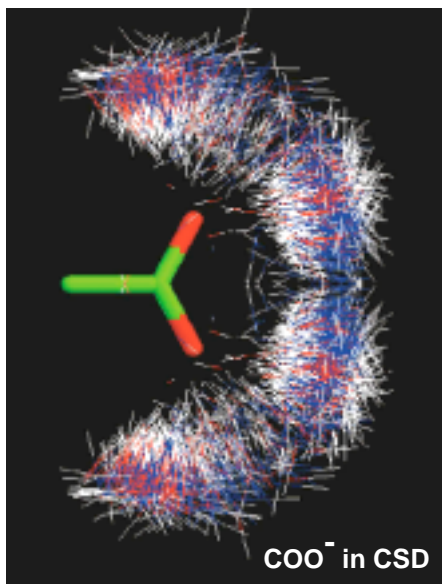
Nature of the Hydrogen Bond



a hydrogen bond is
characterized by a shorter
X-H ... Y distance than the
sum of the atom vdW radii

N-H...O distance	2.8-3.2 Å
N-H...O angle	150-180°
C=O...H angle	100-180°

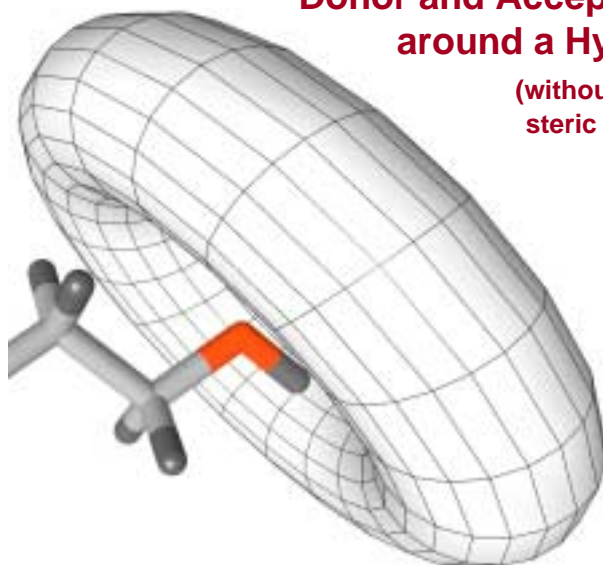




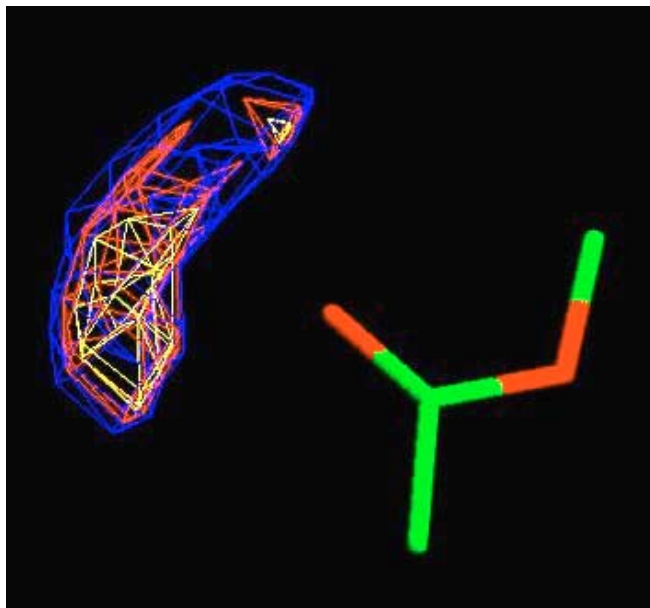
O-N distances < vdW - 0.3; R. Taylor, *Acta Cryst.* **D58**, 879-888 (2002)

Donor and Acceptor Positions around a Hydroxy Group

(without consideration of
steric hindrance)

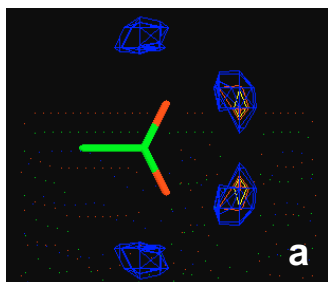


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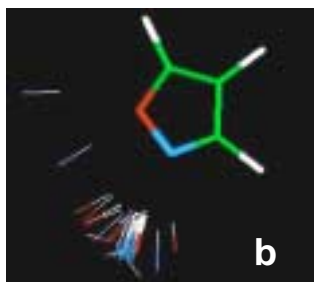


Donor contacts around an ester group

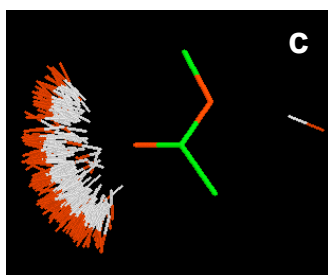
O and N as Hydrogen Bond Acceptors



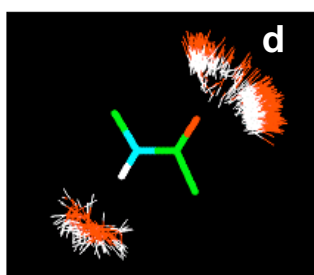
a) -COO^- ,
contour map



b) isoxazole,
H bonds



c) ester group,
H bonds
with OH

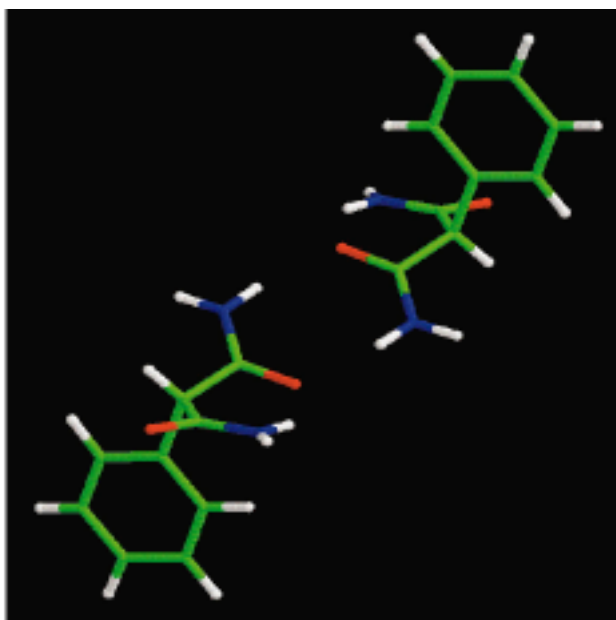


d) amide group,
H bonds
with OH

Isostar: NH Contacts Around Methotrexate

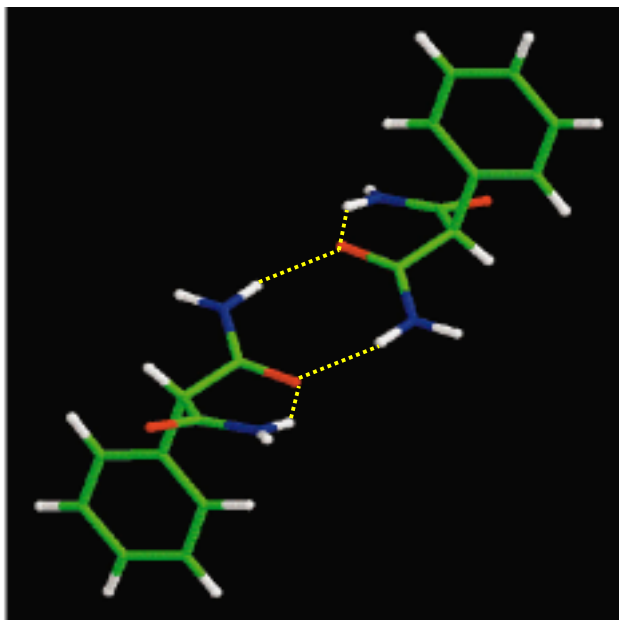


M. L. Verdonk et al., *J. Mol. Biol.* **307**, 841-859 (2001)



**Typical Inter-
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R. Taylor, *Acta Cryst.*
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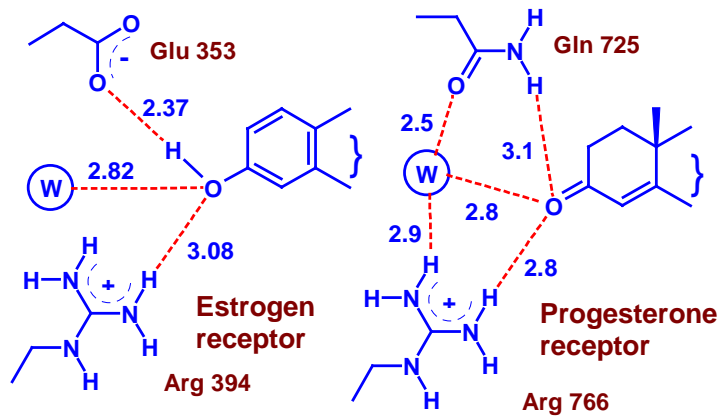
Lipophilicity of Hydrocarbons, Ethers and Secondary Amines

n-Octanol/Water log P* values
(MedChem-Database, Daylight Chemical Information Systems, Mission Viejo, CA, USA)

Compound	X = -CH ₂ -	X = -O-	Δ O/CH ₂
Et-X-Et	3.39	0.89	-2.50
Phe-X-Et	3.72	2.51	-1.21
Phe-X-Phe	4.14	4.21	+0.07

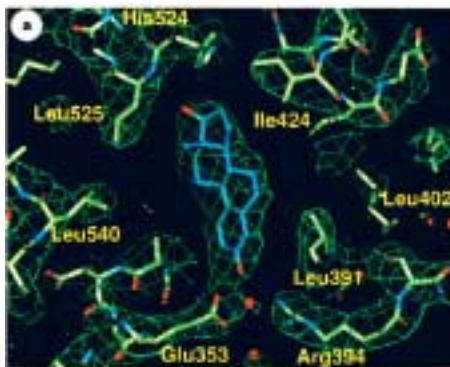
Compound	X = -CH ₂ -	X = -NH-	Δ NH/CH ₂
Et-X-Et	3.39	0.58	-2.81
Phe-X-Et	3.72	2.16	-1.56
Phe-X-Phe	4.14	3.50	-0.64

Ligand Recognition - Specificity of Estrogen and Progesterone Receptors



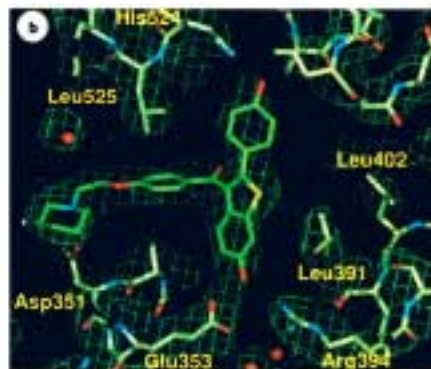
A. M. Brzozowski et al., *Nature* **389**, 753-758 (1997)
S. P. Williams and P. B. Sigler, *Nature* **393**, 392-396 (1998)

Estrogen Receptor



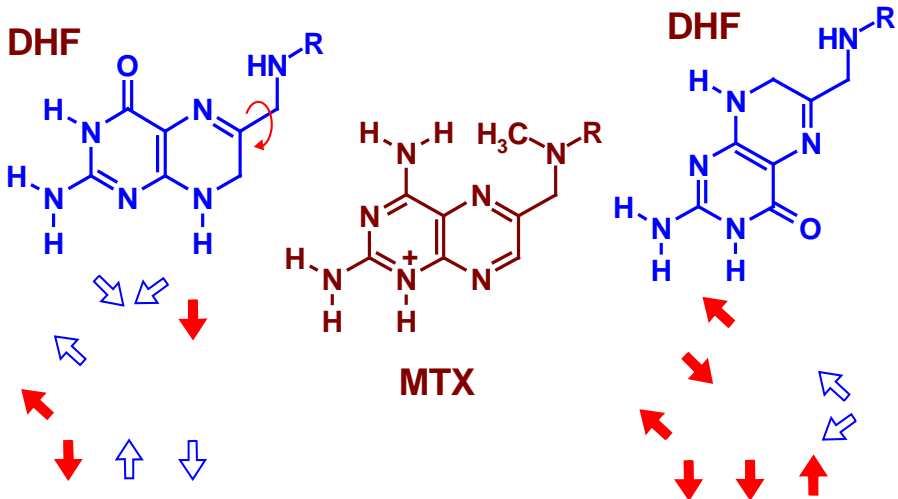
binding modes of
oestrone (agonist)

and

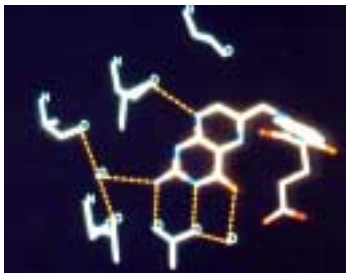
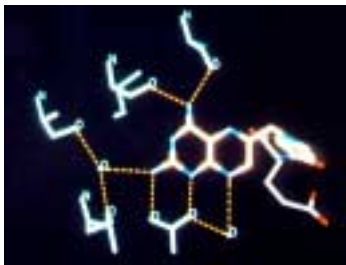


raloxifen
(antagonist)

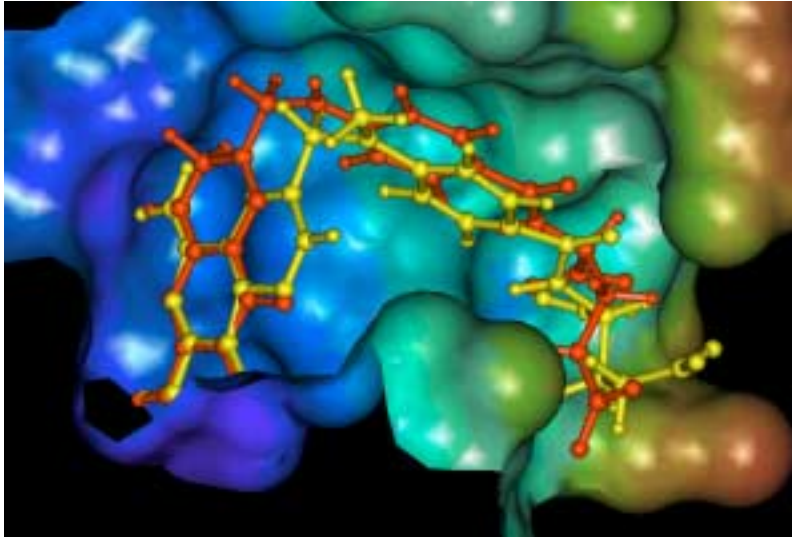
Ligand Orientation of Dihydrofolate Reductase Inhibitors



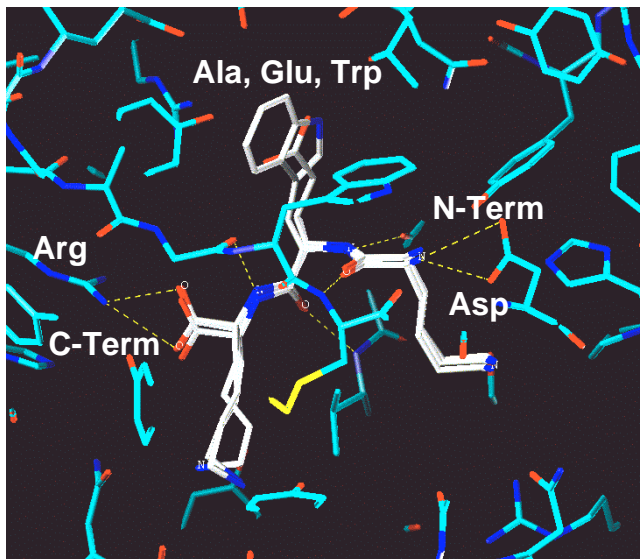
Ligand Orientation of MTX and DHF



Orientation of DHFR Inhibitors



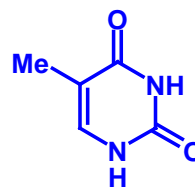
The OppA Transporter Recognizes Any Peptide



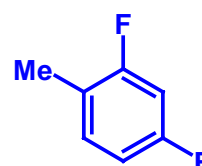
recognition
of any di- to
pentapeptide

binding
pocket filled
with water
molecules,
H-bond
interactions
only with
COO⁻ and
backbone
NH and CO's.

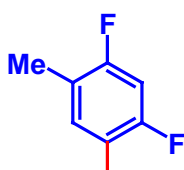
Ligand Recognition in DNA Replication



thymine

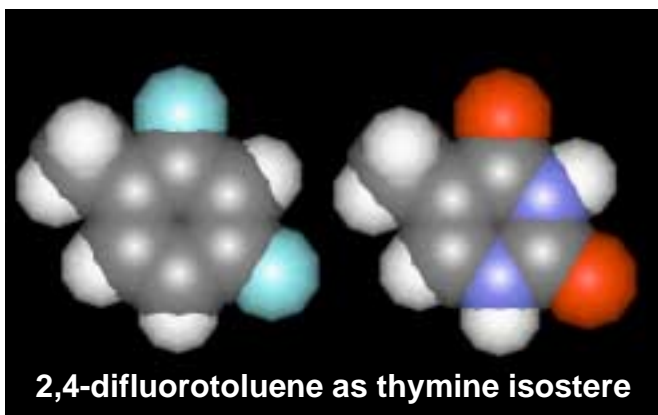
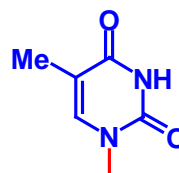


2,4-difluoro-
toluene



Ligand Recognition in DNA Replication

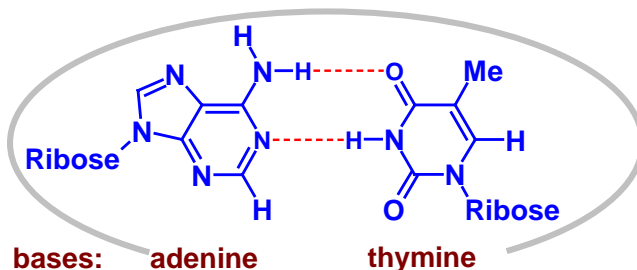
S. Moran et al., *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **119**, 2056-2057 (1997)



A-T Pair in DNA

(Watson and Crick, 1953)

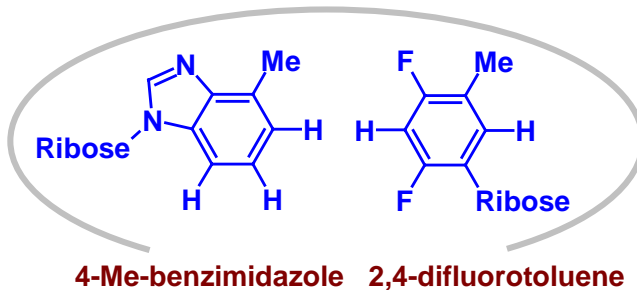
nonpolar
„base pair“



bases: adenine

thymine

J. C. Morales
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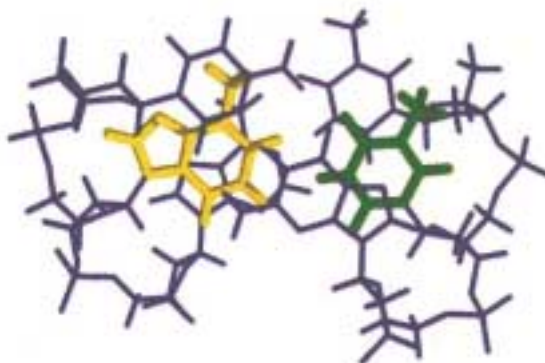


4-Me-benzimidazole 2,4-difluorotoluene

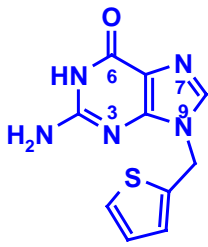
Insertion of nonpolar
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(NMR 3D-structure of a
duplex DNA-12mer)



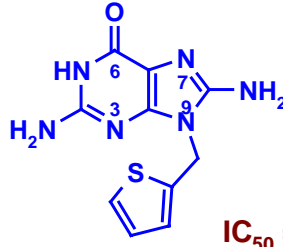
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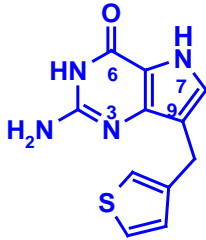
Purine Nucleoside Phosphorylase Inhibitors



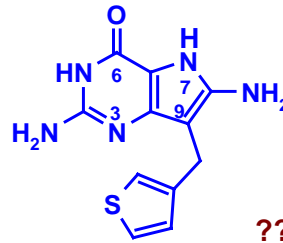
$IC_{50} = 11 \mu M$



$IC_{50} = 0.16 \mu M$

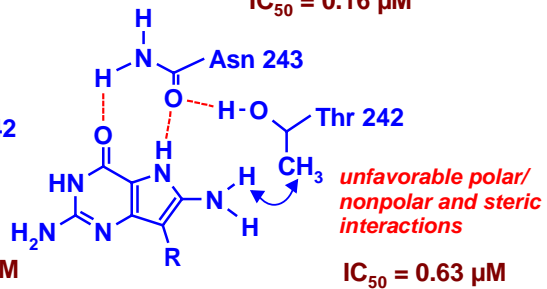
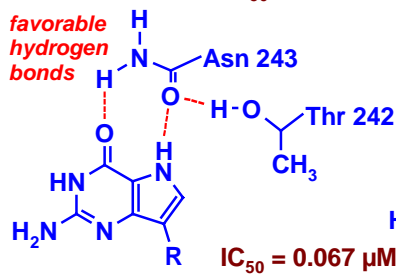
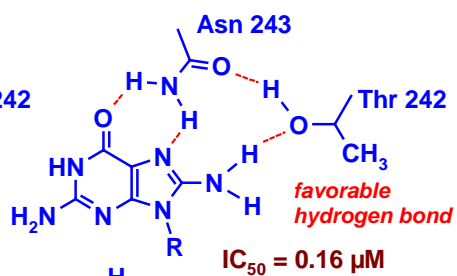
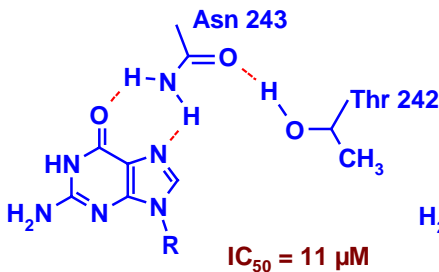


$IC_{50} = 0.067 \mu M$

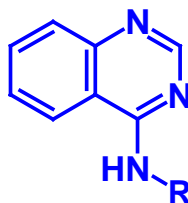
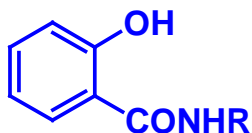


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Purine Nucleoside Phosphorylase Inhibitors



Pharmacophore Recognition of Scytalone Dehydratase Inhibitors



To be (similar)
or not to be (similar)
that's the question

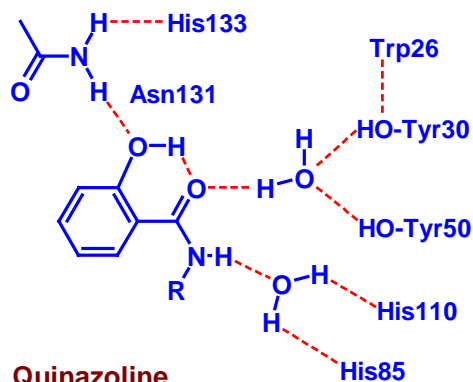
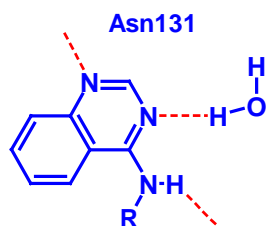
... if William Shakespeare had been a medicinal chemist

Recognition of Scytalone Dehydratase Inhibitors

Salicylamide

R = $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{-p-Br}$

$K_i = 0.14 \text{ nM}$



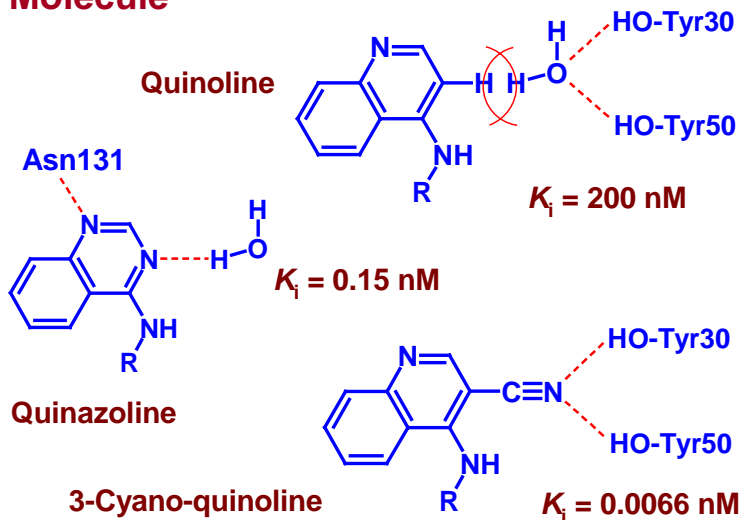
Quinazoline

R = $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2$

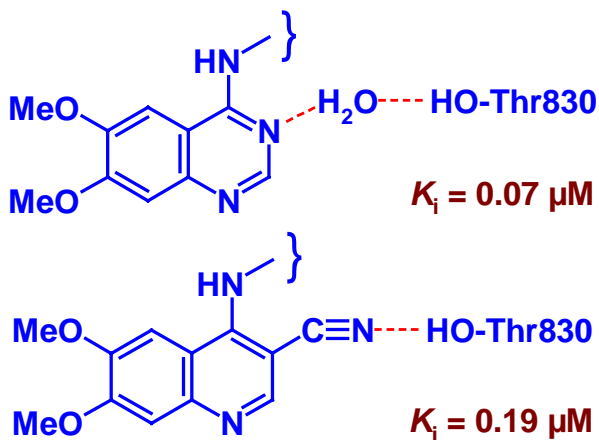
$K_i = 0.15 \text{ nM}$

J. M. Chen et al., *Biochemistry* **37**, 17735-17744 (1998)

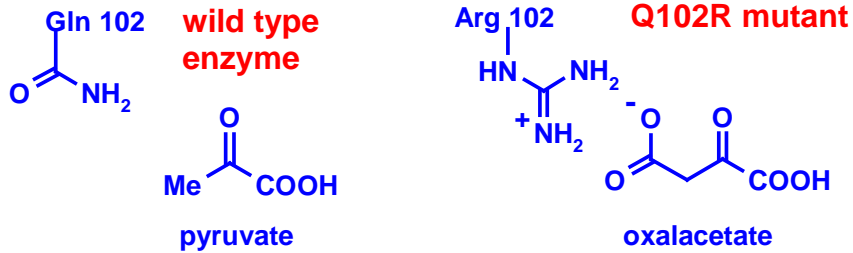
Favourable Replacement of a Water Molecule



Bioisosteric Replacement of a Water Molecule in the Binding Site of EGFR Kinase



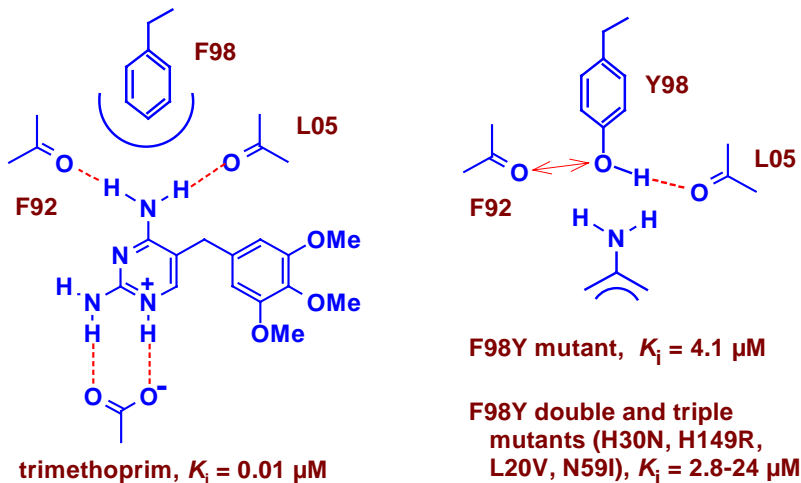
Change of Substrate Specificity of an Enzyme



native enzyme $\frac{k_{\text{cat}}/K_m \text{ oxalacetate}}{k_{\text{cat}}/K_m \text{ pyruvate}} = 0.001$

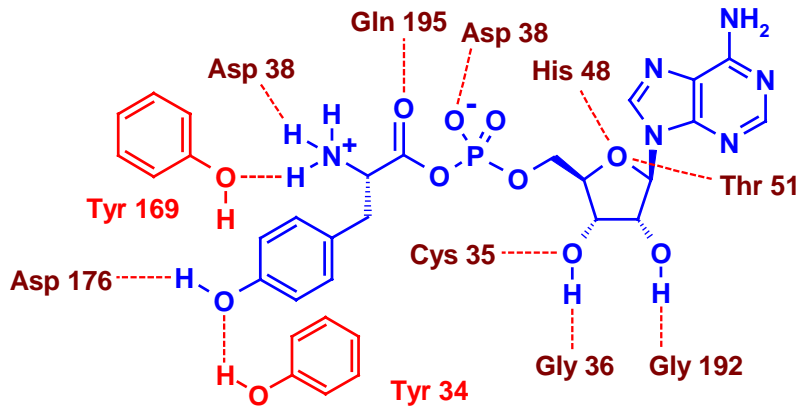
Q102R mutant $\frac{k_{\text{cat}}/K_m \text{ oxalacetate}}{k_{\text{cat}}/K_m \text{ pyruvate}} = 10,000$

Trimethoprim Resistance of Staphylococcus aureus



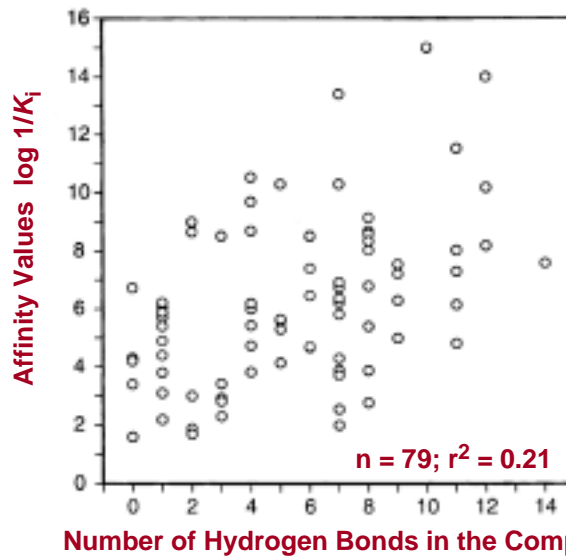
G. E. Dale et al., J. Mol. Biol. 266, 23-30 (1997)

Hydrogen Bonds and Ligand Affinities



In tyrosyl-tRNA synthase, the exchange of Tyr 34 or Tyr 169 against Phe leads to a loss of one hydrogen bond and, correspondingly, to lower binding affinities.

Hydrogen Bonds and Ligand Affinities



Correlation of Hydrogen Bonds and Ligand Affinities: Mean Energy Values, Ionic and Neutral Hydrogen Bonds

Neutral hydrogen bonds 2-6 kJ/mol

(increase affinities by a factor 2-15)

Ionic hydrogen bonds up to 20 kJ/mol

(increase affinities up to a factor 3,000)

Many exceptions, e.g.

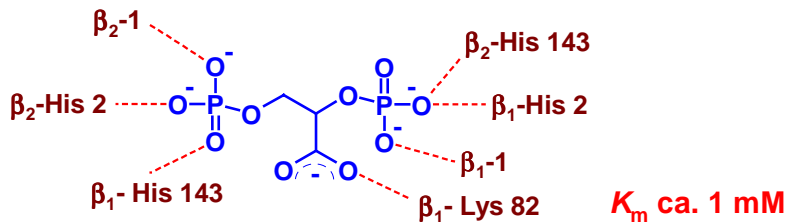
Affinity of 2,3-diphosphoglycerate to hemoglobin

seven ionic hydrogen bonds, but only
millimolar affinity to hemoglobin

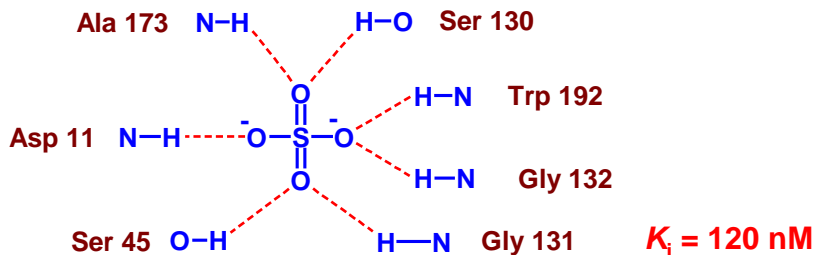
Affinity of sulfate to a sulfate-binding protein (SBP)

seven neutral hydrogen bonds, but
nanomolar affinity to the sulfate-binding protein from
Salmonella typhimurium

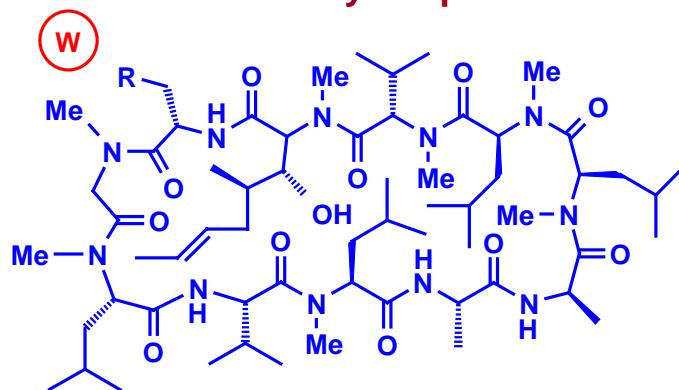
Binding of 2,3-Diphosphoglycerate to Hemoglobin



Binding of Sulfate to a Sulfate-binding Protein (SBP)



Unfavorable Replacement of a Water Molecule in Cyclosporin A



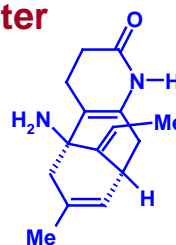
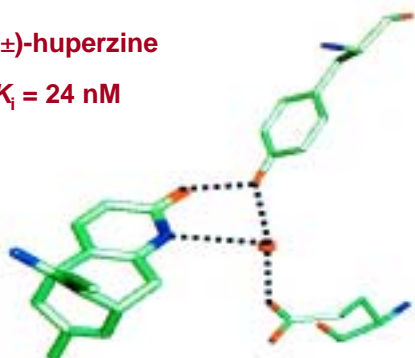
(5-Hydroxynorvaline)-2-cyclosporin A, R = CH₂CH₂OH, exerts a 8-9-fold lower affinity than cyclosporin A (R = CH₃)

(Mikol *et al.*, J. Med. Chem. 38, 3361-3367 (1995))

Unfavorable Replacement of a Water Molecule in Huperzine

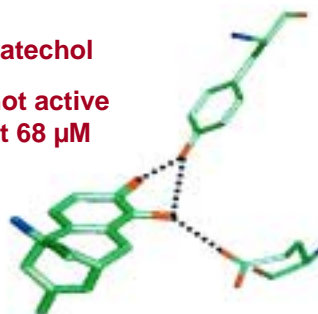
(±)-huperzine

$K_i = 24 \text{ nM}$



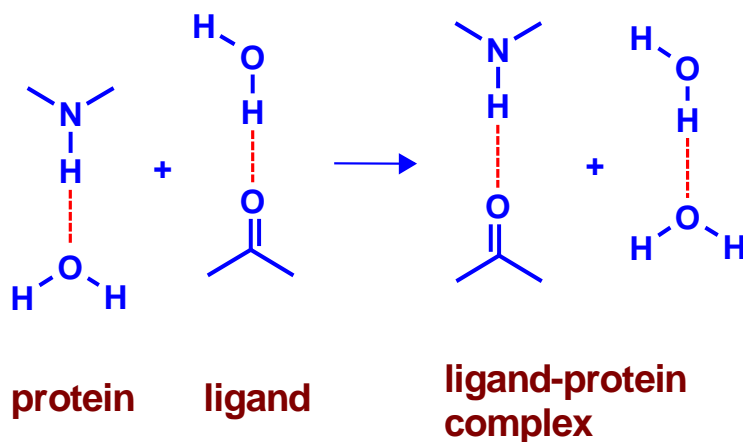
catechol

not active
at 68 μM

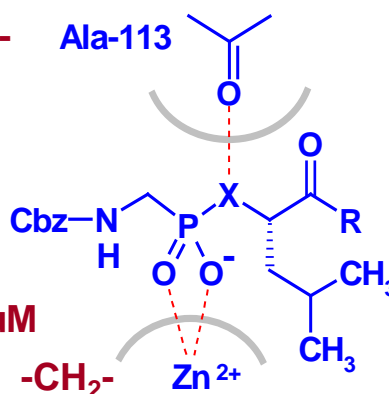


G. Campiani *et al.*, Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett. 8, 1413-1418 (1998)

Hydrogen Bonds in Ligand-Protein Interactions

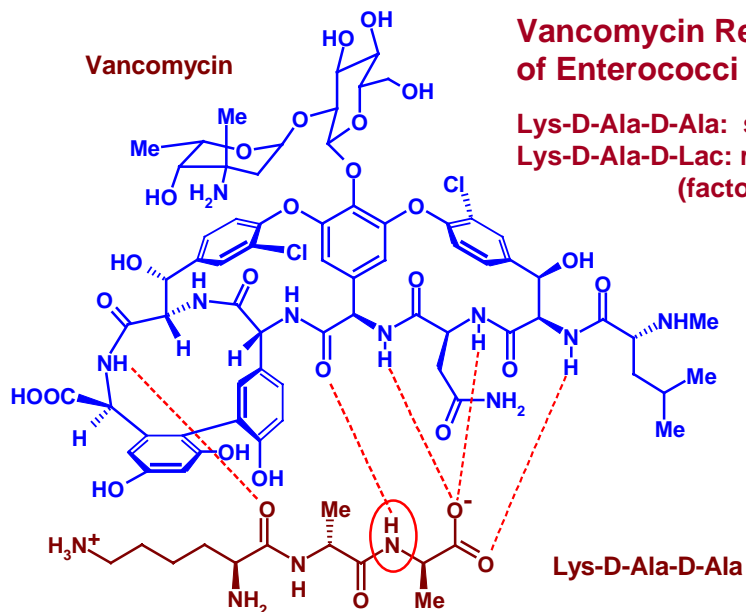


Hydrogen Bonds in Ligand-Protein Interactions



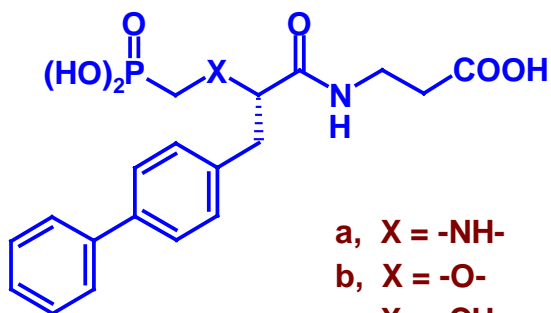
Inhibition Constants K_i in μM

R	X = -NH-	-O-	-CH ₂ -
-OH	0.76	660	1.4
-Gly-OH	0.27	230	0.3
-Leu-OH	0.01	9	0.01



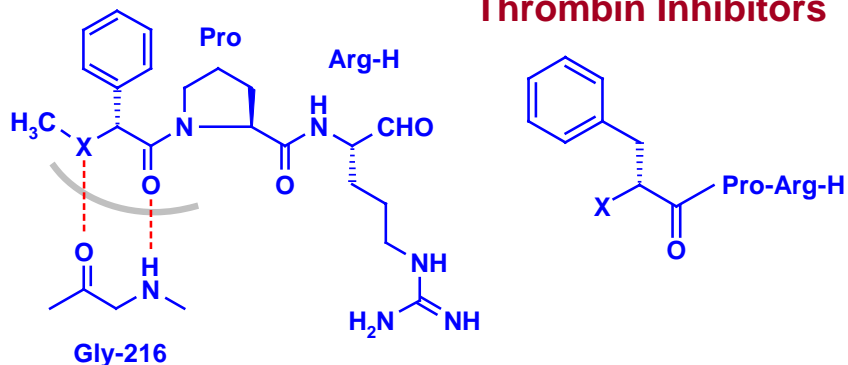
Hydrogen Bonds in Ligand-Protein Interactions

NEP 24.11 Inhibitors



- | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| a, X = -NH- | IC ₅₀ = 1.6 nM |
| b, X = -O- | IC ₅₀ = 10 nM |
| c, X = -CH ₂ - | IC ₅₀ = 1 000 nM |
| d, X = -S- | IC ₅₀ = 800 nM |

Hydrogen Bonds in Ligand-Protein Interactions Thrombin Inhibitors



X = -NH- IC₅₀ = 9 ng/ml

X = -O- IC₅₀ = 130 ng/ml

X = -CH₂- IC₅₀ = 70 ng/ml

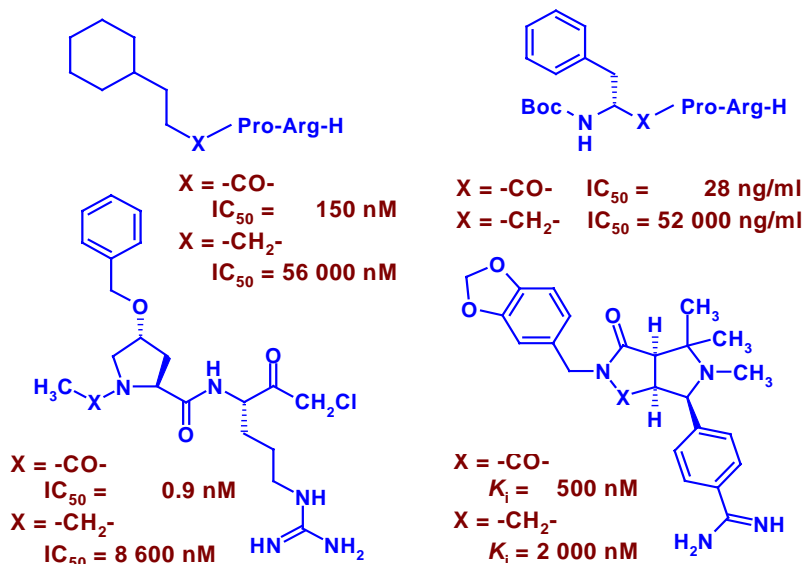
X = NH₂

IC₅₀ = 49 nM

X = H

IC₅₀ = 390 nM

Hydrogen Bonds in Ligand-Protein Interactions



„Use“ of a Water Molecule in Cytidine Deaminase

