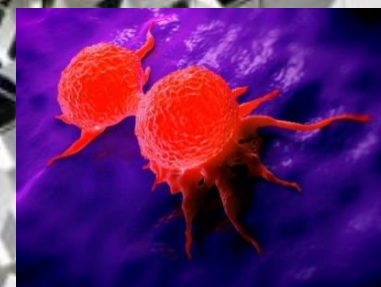
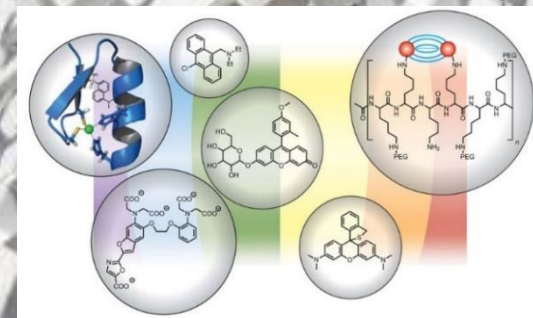
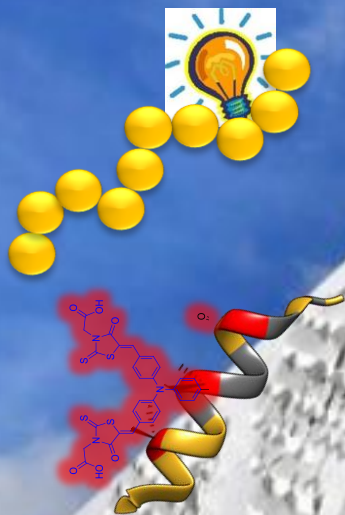
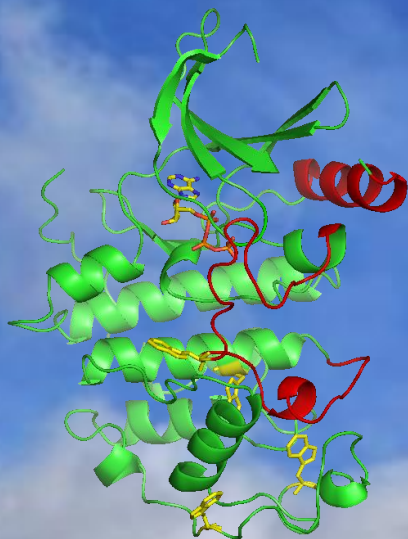


BIOSENSEURS CONFORMATIONNELS POUR LE CRIBLAGE D'INHIBITEURS ALLOSTERIQUES DES KINASES CYCLINE-DEPENDENTES



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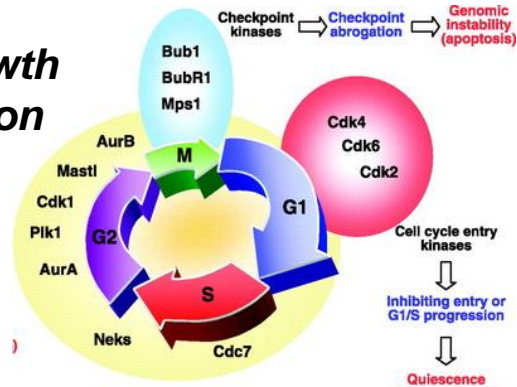


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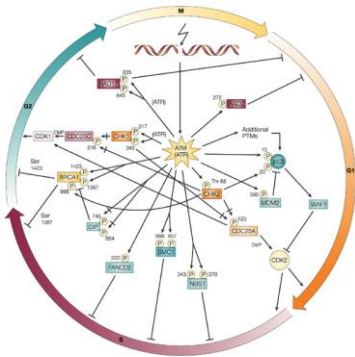


PROTEIN KINASES IN HEALTH & DISEASE

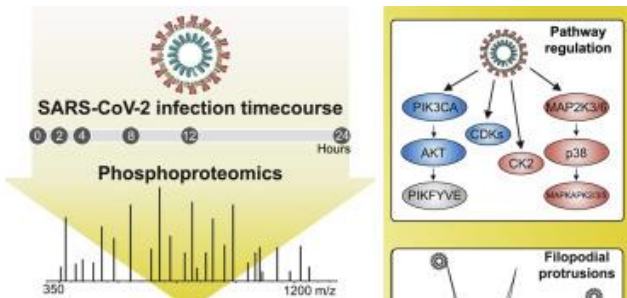
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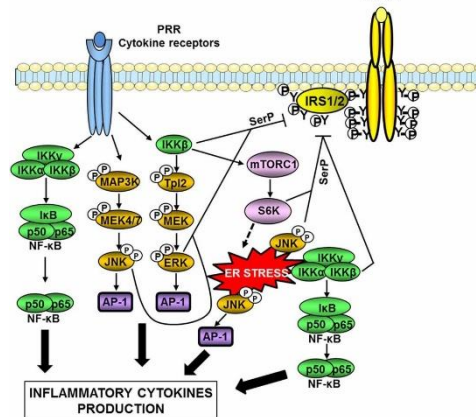
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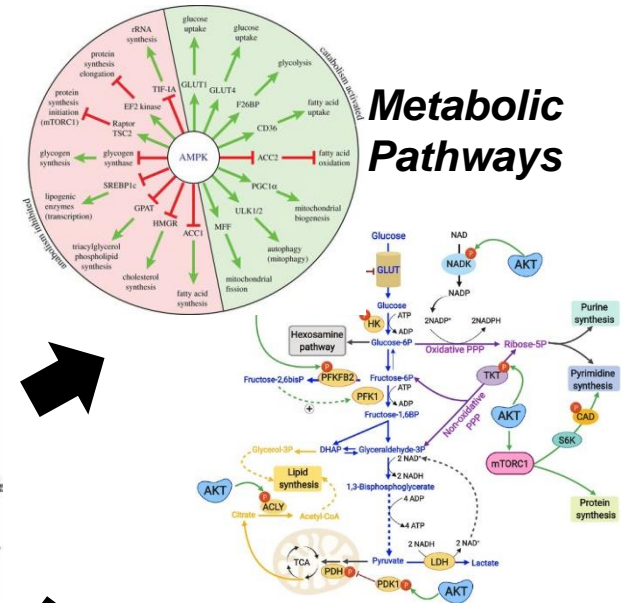
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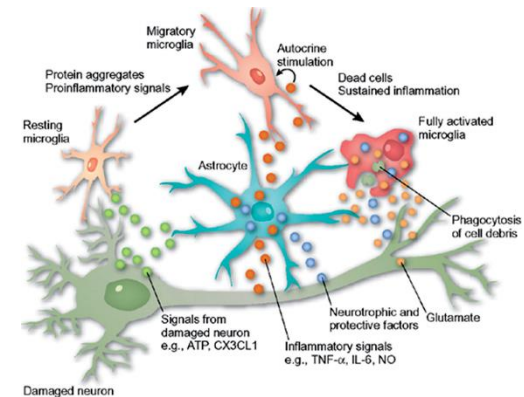
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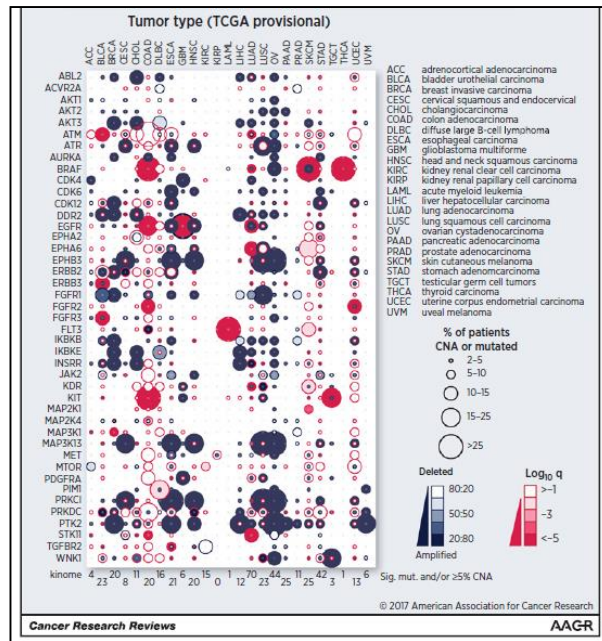


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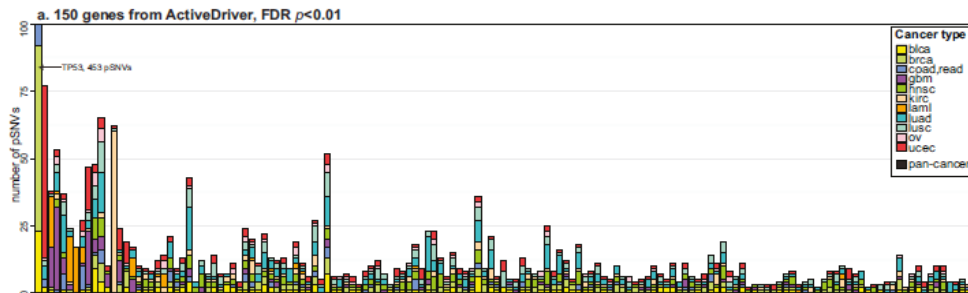
PROTEIN KINASES : CANCER BIOMARKERS

Genetic, transcriptomic & proteomic evidence for protein kinase dysregulation in cancer



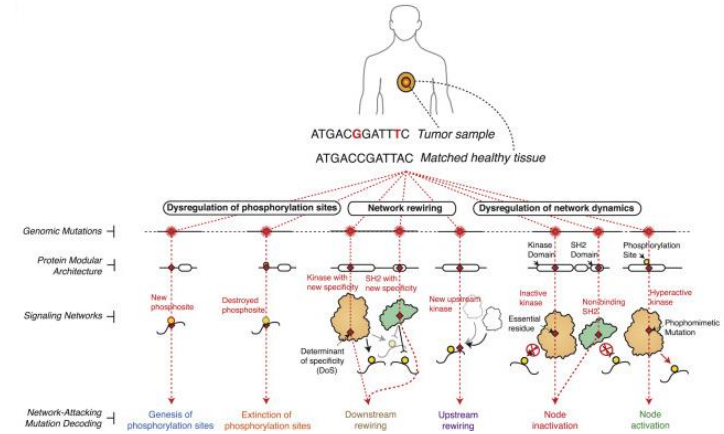
New Perspectives, Opportunities, and Challenges in Exploring the Human Protein Kinome

Wilson et al. Cancer Res. 2018



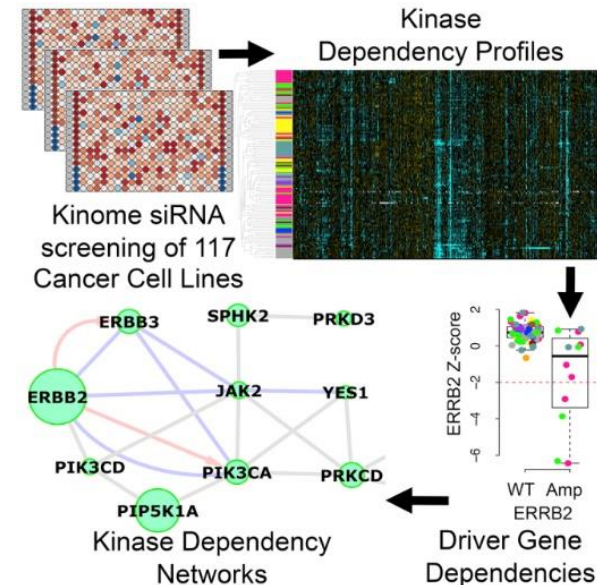
The mutational landscape of phosphorylation signaling in cancer

Reimand et al. Sci.Rep. 2013



Kinase Network Rewiring in Cancer

Creixell et al. 2015

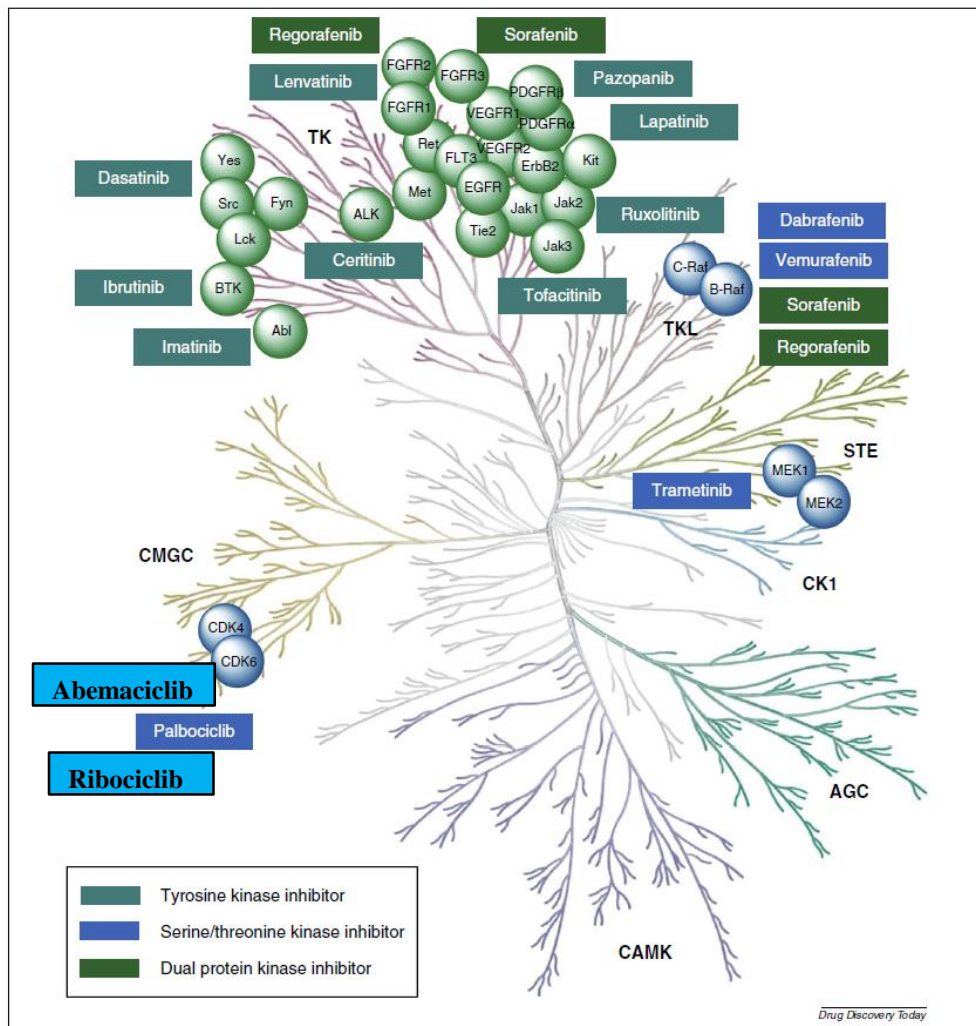


Kinase Dependencies in Cancer

Campbell et al. 2016

Therapeutic Targeting of Protein Kinases

> 75 FDA-approved drugs: most Kinase Inhibitors are for oncological indications



Cancer, Hypertension, Parkinson's Disease, Inflammatory & Autoimmune diseases

Table 1. Small Molecule Inhibitors of Protein Kinases Approved for Clinical Use or in Advanced Clinical Trials

Name	Structure	Reported target	Company	Approved for clinical use	Name	Structure	Reported target	Company	Approved for clinical use
Erlotinib		EGFR	Astra Zeneca	2005 lung cancer	Regorafenib		Multiple Tyrosine kinases targeted	Silvarga Bayer	2012 thyroid cancer
Imatinib		Bcr-Abl c-KIT PDGFR	Novartis	2001 chronic myelogenous leukemia	Lenvatinib		VEGFR1/2/3 PDGFR	Eisai	2012 thyroid cancer (Japan)
Dasatinib		Multiple Tyrosine kinases targeted	Bristol Myers Squibb	2008 chronic myelogenous leukemia, ALL	Dasatinib		Multiple Tyrosine kinases targeted	Pfizer	2008 canine mastocytoma
Sunitinib		Multiple Tyrosine kinases targeted	SUGEN Pfizer	2006 renal cancer and GIST	Nilotinib		VEGFRs KIT / Axl	Comenris Exeltis	2012 canine thyroid cancer
Nilotinib		VEGFRs KIT / Axl	Novartis	2007 chronic myelogenous leukemia	Lapatinib		Her2 EGFR	Boehringer Ingelheim	Not yet NSCLC
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Cohen & Alessi, Kinase Drug Discovery – What's next in the field, ACS Chem Biol. 2013

- only a small number of protein and lipid kinase targets (about 80) out of the 500+ protein kinases in the human kinome have been successfully targeted
- most of the kinase inhibitor drugs are used for oncological indications
- many kinase inhibitor drugs are used to target the same indication (mainly due to the generation of resistance)

Wu et al. Small-molecule kinase inhibitors: an analysis of FDA-approved drugs, Drug Discovery Today 2016

THERAPEUTIC TARGETING of PROTEIN KINASES

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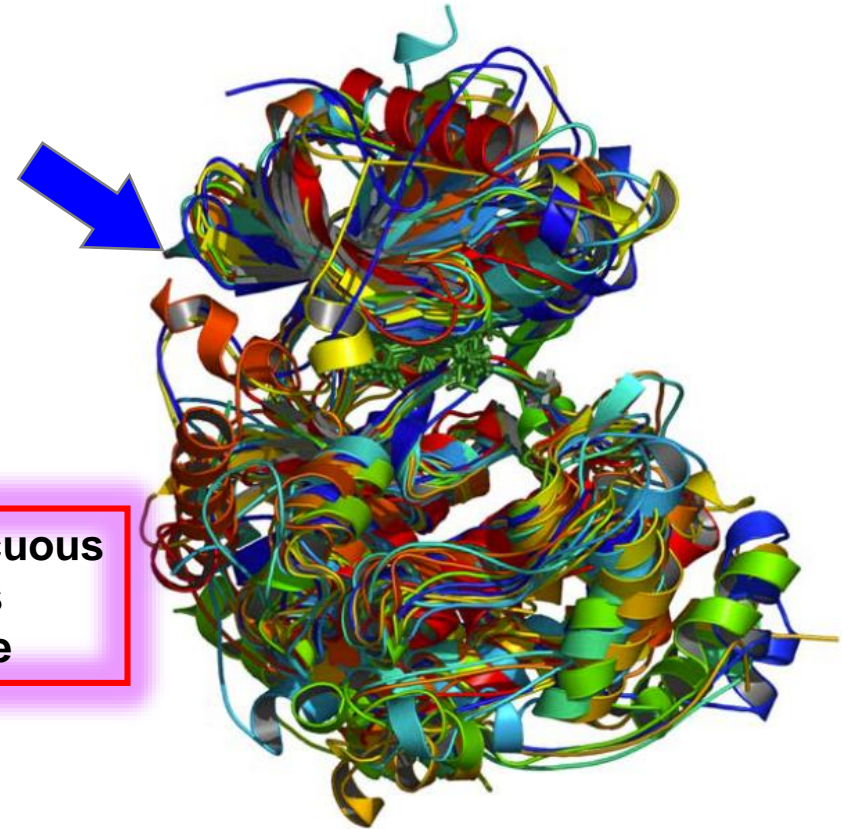
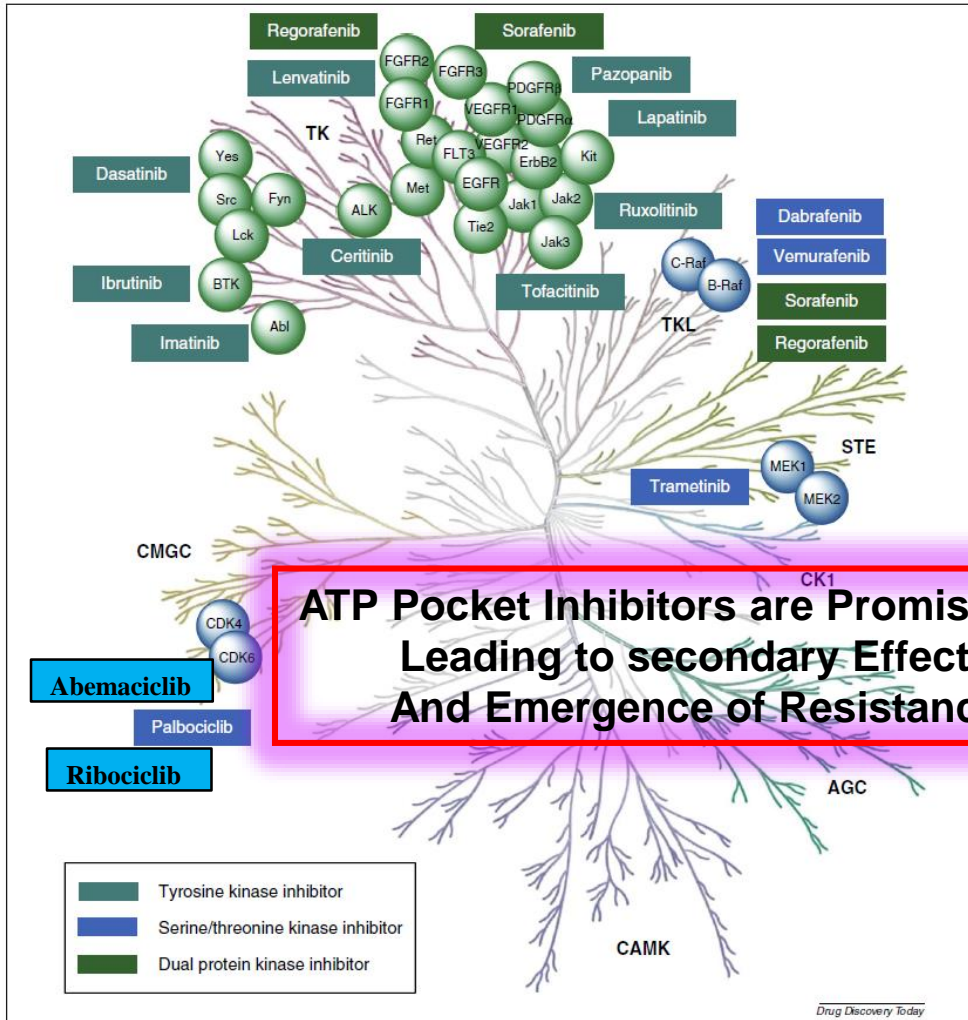
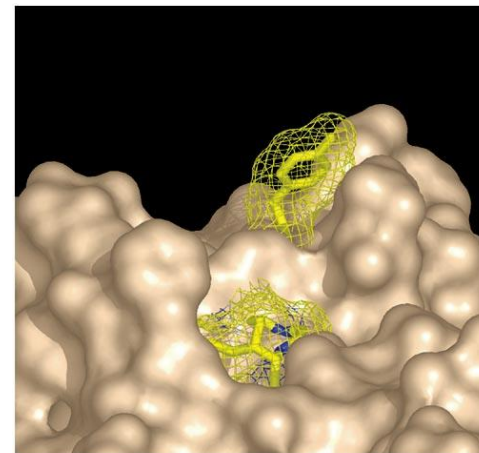
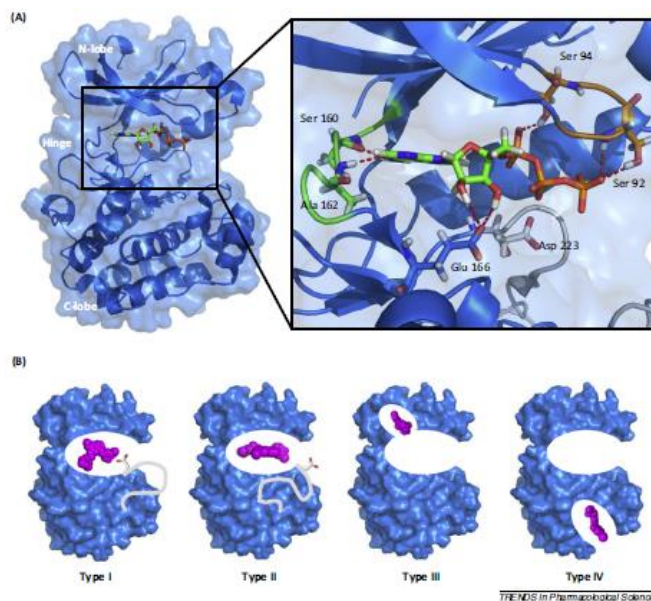
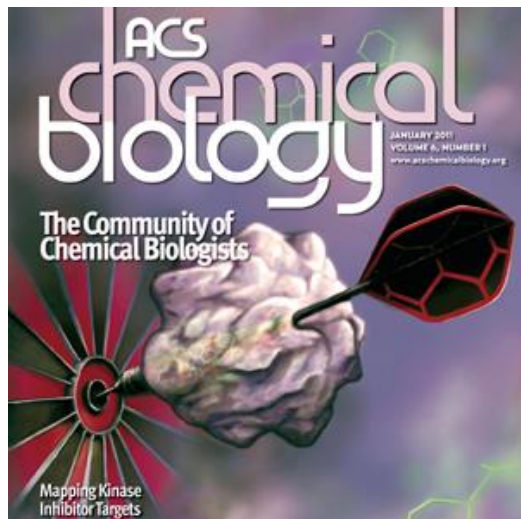


Figure 2. Multiple kinase alignment. The fifteen active-conformation kinase structures listed in Table 1 were aligned using our modified Procrustes approach. Shown in green sticks is the ATP or ATP analog molecule of each structure. Each kinase is colored uniquely. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0000982.g002

KINASE INHIBITORS : IN SEARCH OF SELECTIVITY



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Wu et al. Trends Pharmacological Sciences 2015

New strategies are required to develop inhibitors that do not target the ATP-binding pocket : targeting essential protein / protein interfaces or conformational transitions

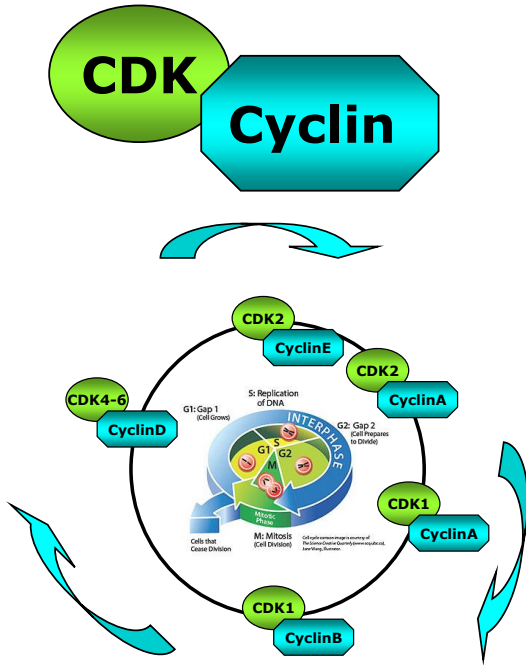
**ATP Pocket Inhibitors
Promiscuous
Secondary Effects
Resistance**

- Targeting « non-catalytic » sites
- Targeting surface hotspots
- Targeting essential PPIs
- Preventing Kinase Activation
- Trapping Inactive Conformation

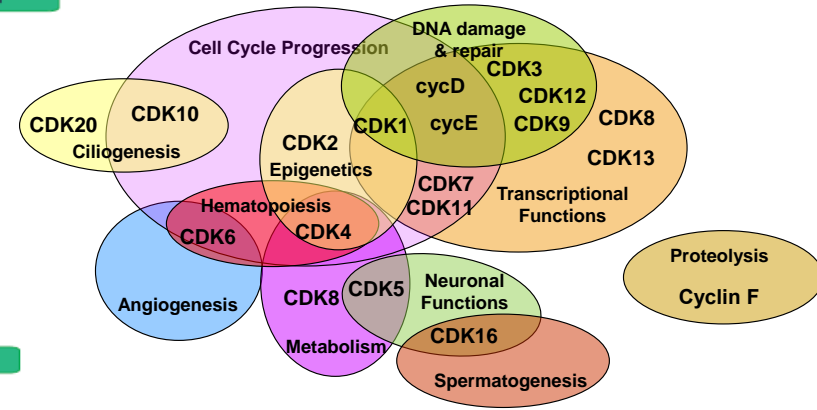
**Gain of Selectivity
Less Adverse
Effects**

CYCLIN-DEPENDENT KINASES

Master Kinases coordinate cell cycle progression and



CDK1	Cyclins A, B, D, E, J, O
CDK2	Cyclins A, B, D, E, O, Cables 1
CDK3	Cyclin A, E, C, Cables 1
CDK4	Cyclins D
CDK5	Cyclin D, G, I, CDK5R1/2, Cables 1
CDK6	Cyclins D
CDK7	Cyclin H
CDK8	Cyclin C
CDK9	Cyclin K, T
CDK10	Cyclin M
CDK11	Cyclins D, L
CDK12	Cyclin K, L
CDK13	Cyclin K, L
CDK14	Cyclins D, Y
CDK15	
CDK16	Cyclin Y, CDK5R1/2, Cables 1
CDK17	Cables 1
CDK18	Cyclin K
CDK19	Cyclin C
CDK20	Cyclins H, D, T



*Prével C. & Morris M.C.
Eur J.Med. Chem. 2014*

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TIBS 2005*

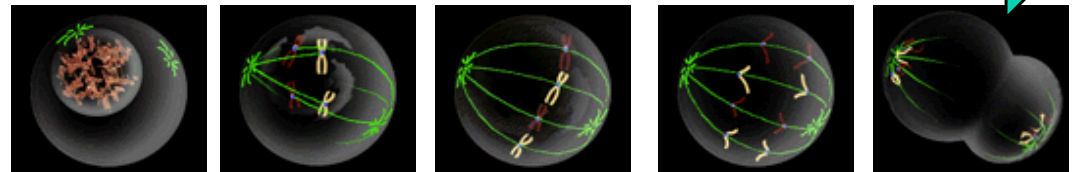
Leland Hartwell, Tim Hunt and Paul Nurse



The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 2001
"for their discoveries of key regulators of the cell cycle"

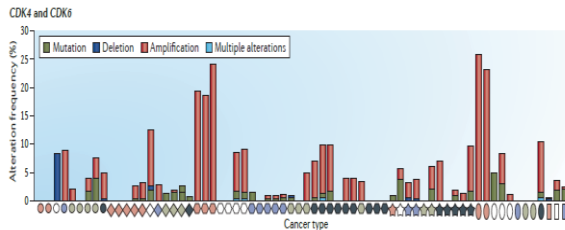
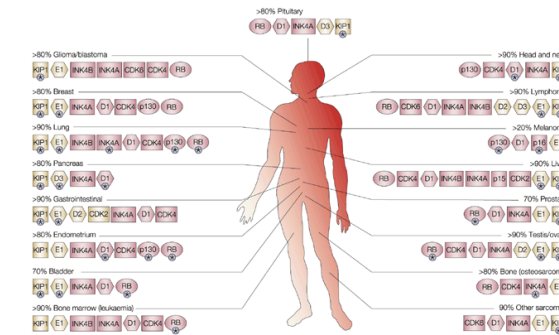
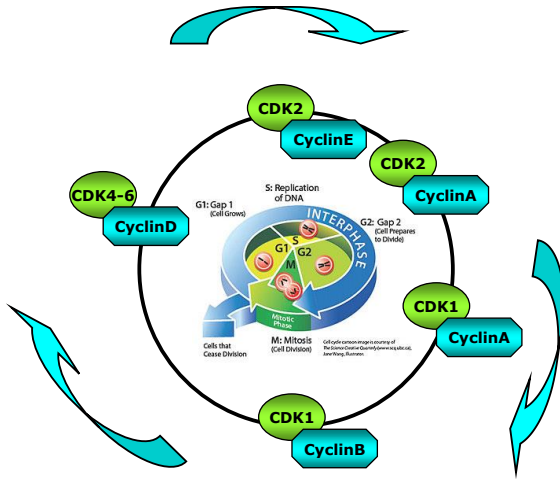
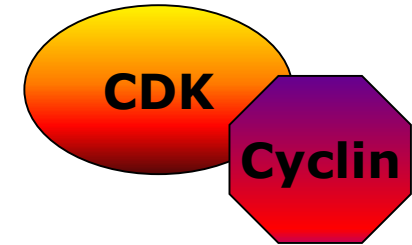
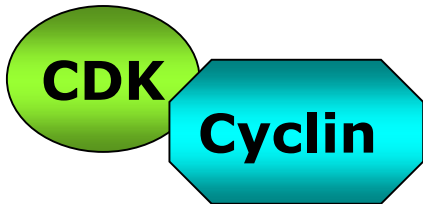


Regulation of Cell growth and Division



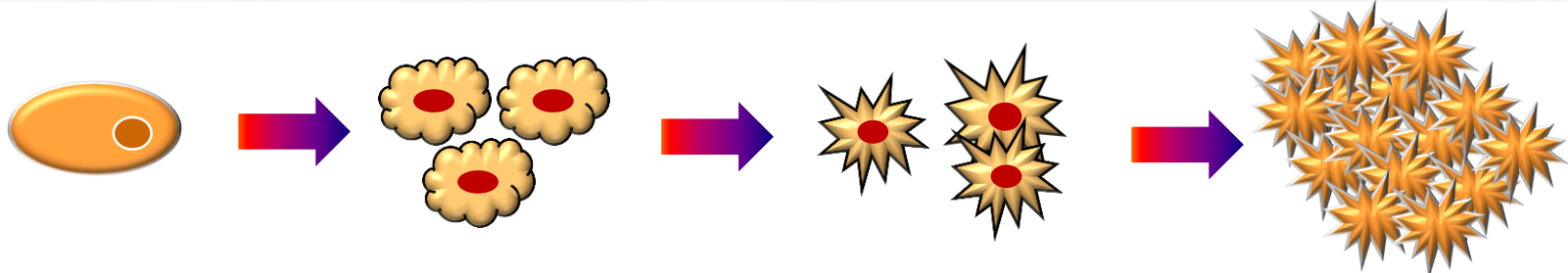
CYCLIN-DEPENDENT KINASES

Hyperactivated Cancer Biomarkers and Targets

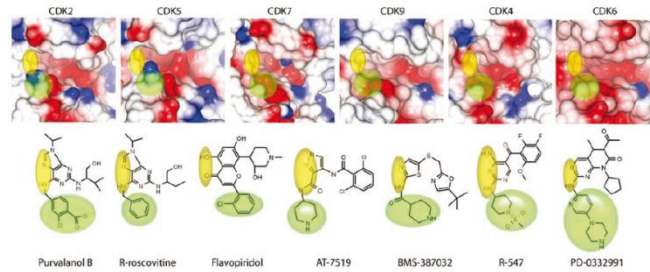


The majority of human cancers bear mutations that lead to hyperactivation of cyclin-dependent kinases
Malumbres & Barbacid, Nat. Rev. Cancer 2001

Contribute and sustain hyperproliferation of cancer cells

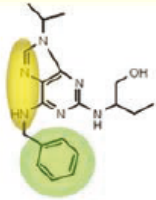


TARGETING CYCLIN-DEPENDENT KINASES

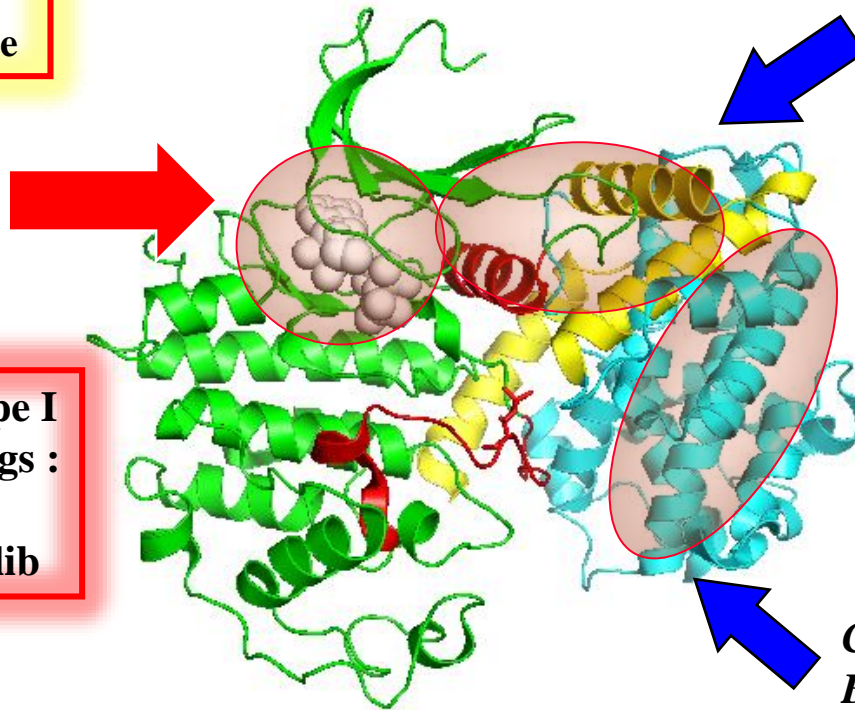


**ATP-COMPETITIVE
INHIBITORS**

**Promiscuous
Secondary Effects
Emergence Resistance**

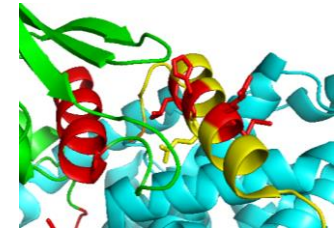


**3 FDA-approved Type I
ATP-competitive drugs :
Abemaciclib,
Palbociclib, Ribociclib**



**PSTAIRE / alpha 5 interface
eg the C4 peptide**

Gondeau et al. JBC 2005



**Cyclin surface or
pocket inhibitors**

Canela et al. JBC 2006

Bagella et al. Cell Cycle 2007

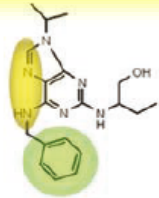
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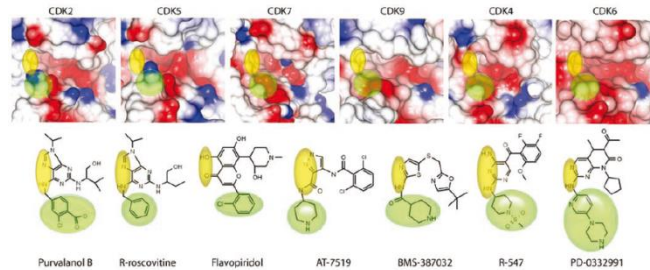
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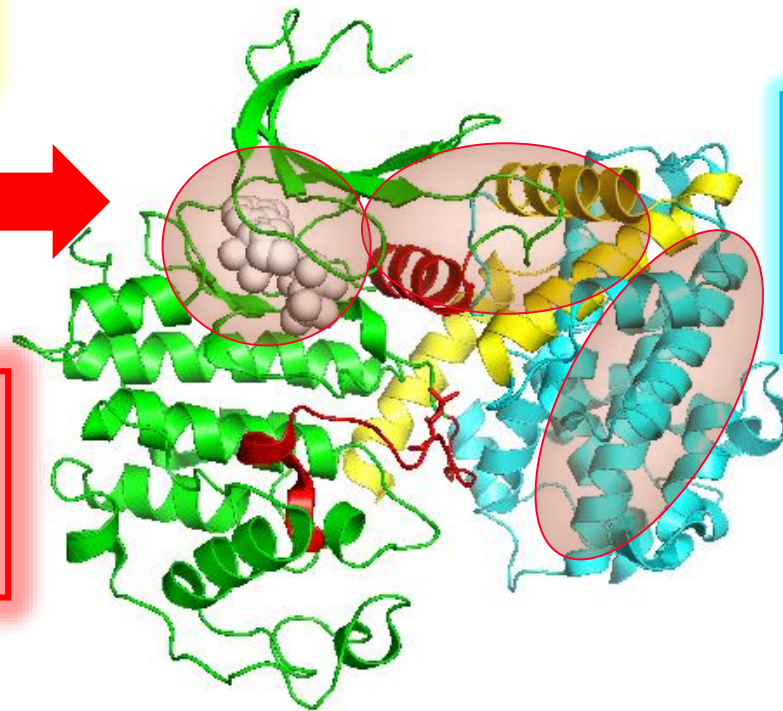


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**NO ALLOSTERIC
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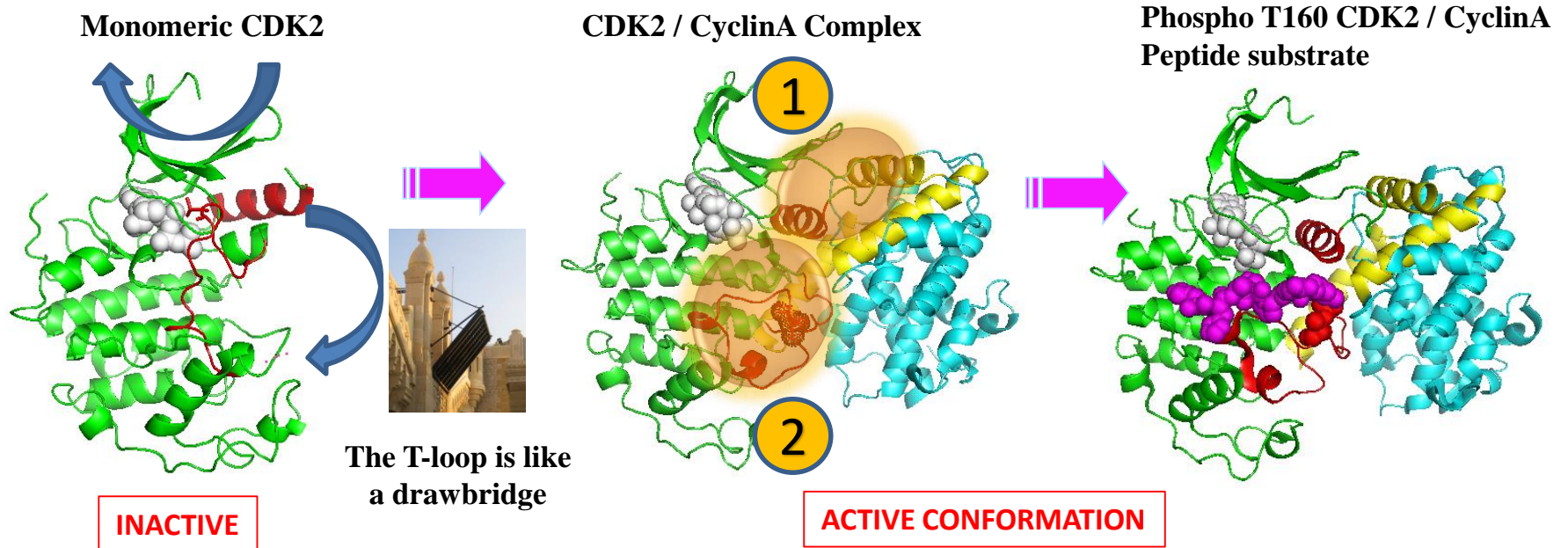
**ALTERNATIVE
STRATEGIES
Targeting essential PPIs or
conformational transitions
(with Type IV allosteric inhibitors)**



**Different MOA
Gain of Selectivity
Less Adverse Effects**

CDK/CYCLIN ASSEMBLY & ACTIVATION

A 2-STEP MECHANISM INVOLVING CONFORMATIONAL REORGANIZATION



The T-loop of the CDK (red) is a very dynamic, flexible unstructured loop, that behaves like a drawbridge, providing access to the substrate when the CDK binds to its cyclin partner.

STEP 1: rapid PPI and rotation of N-lobe leading to alignment of ATP pocket with catalytic site

STEP 2 : slow isomerization of C-lobe

- ⇒ The primary interface between a CDK and a cyclin constitutes a first target : PPI inhibitor
- ⇒ The conformational transition constitutes a second target : allosteric inhibitor

TARGETING CYCLIN-DEPENDENT KINASES

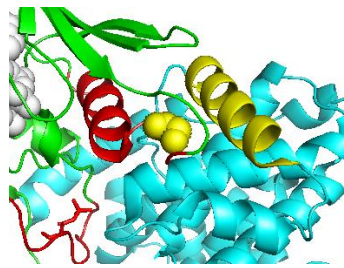
Novel Strategies for Cancer Therapeutics

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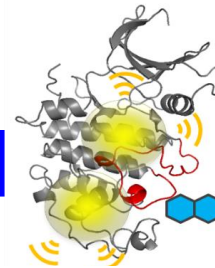
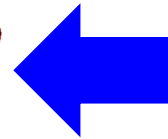
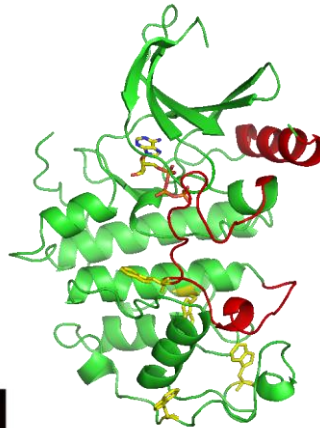
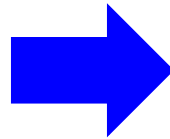
Targeting critical PPIs
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BIOSENSOR DESIGN & HTS

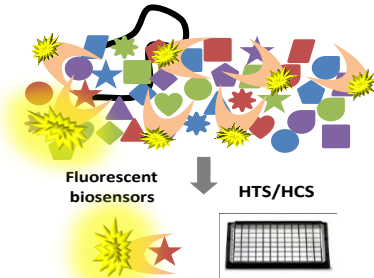
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Small molecule allosteric inhibitors



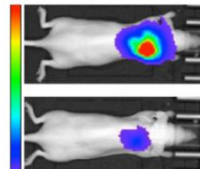
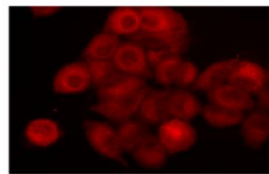
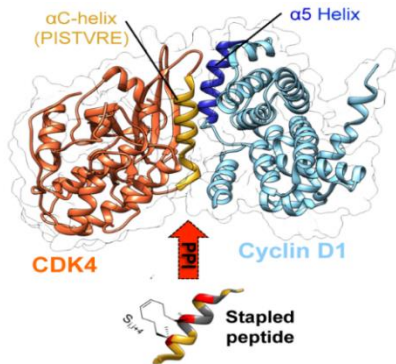
PPI Targeting



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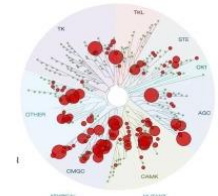
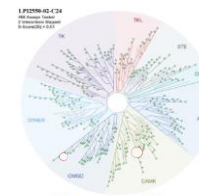
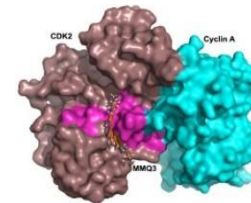


HTS Screening



control
Stapled peptide + Abemaciclib

Bouclier et al. *Theranostics* (2020)



Pellerano et al. *Biotechnology J.* (2017)
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Collab. S.Lantuejoul CHU Grenoble



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Point-of-care Devices



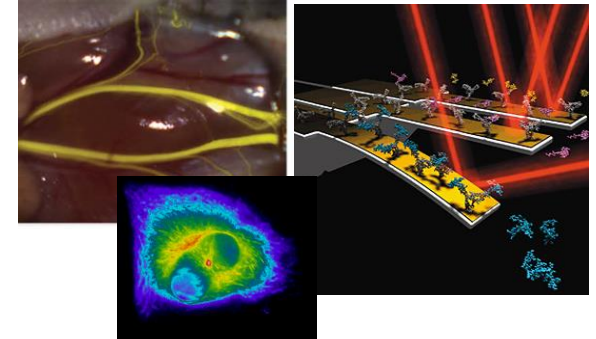
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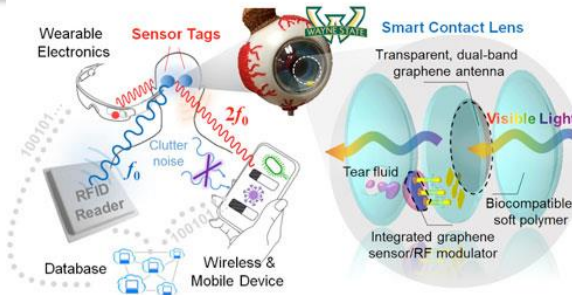
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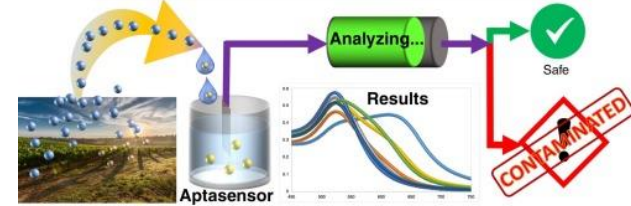
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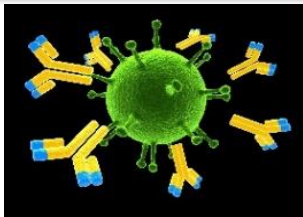
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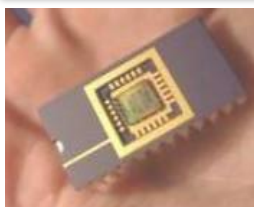
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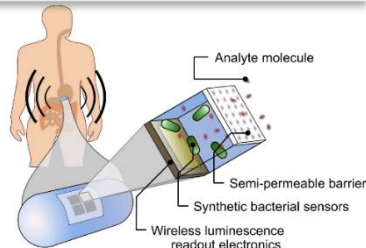
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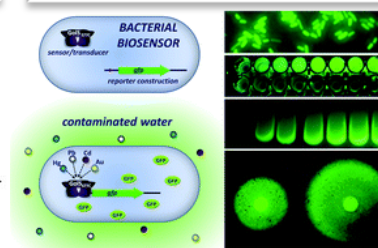
Nanobiosensor



Ingestible Biosensors



Bacterial Biosensors



Water Biosensors

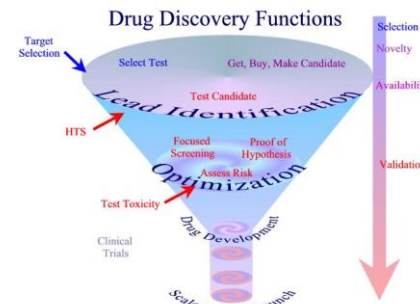
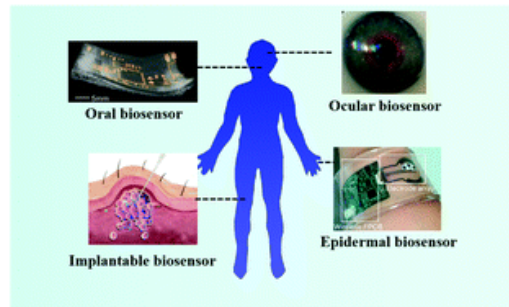
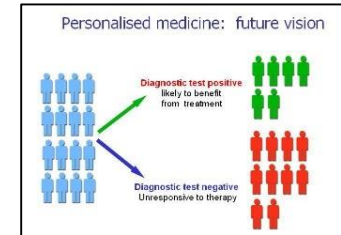


Biosensors for Health & Disease

« Health Monitoring » : biosensors to follow physiological parameters

« Disease Monitoring » : biomarker detection & targeting

- Diagnostics for detection of relevant pathological biomarkers
- Patient / pathology stratification
- Point-of-care devices & Companion assays
- Personalized medicine - Theranostics
- Lab-on-a-chip – multiparametric; multiplexing
- Drug Discovery : HTS/HCS screening of new drugs

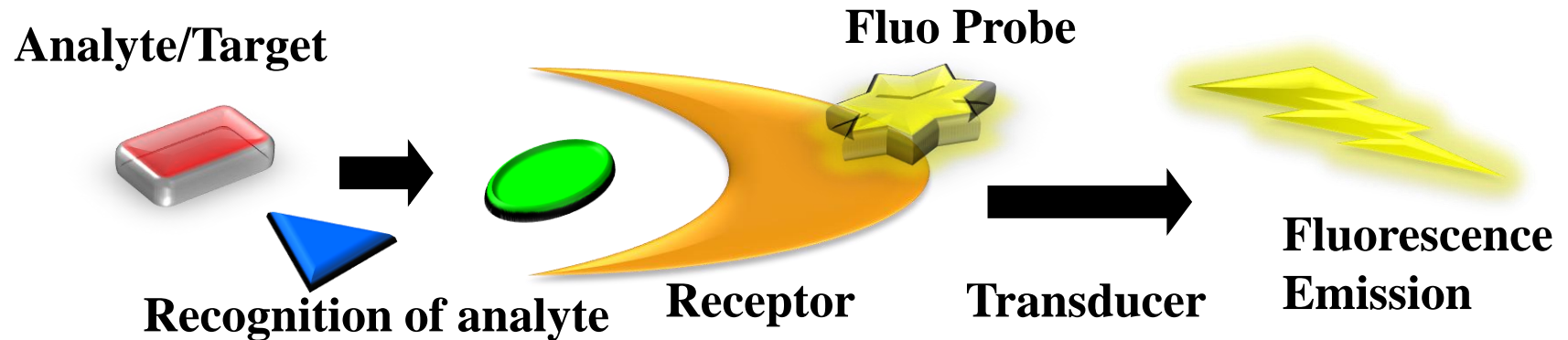


FLUORESCENT BIOSENSORS

Tools for Visualizing Biomolecules

Ions, metabolites
Enzymes & Nucleic Acids
Biomarkers & Targets

Abundance, Activity
Conformational Status
Subcellular Localization

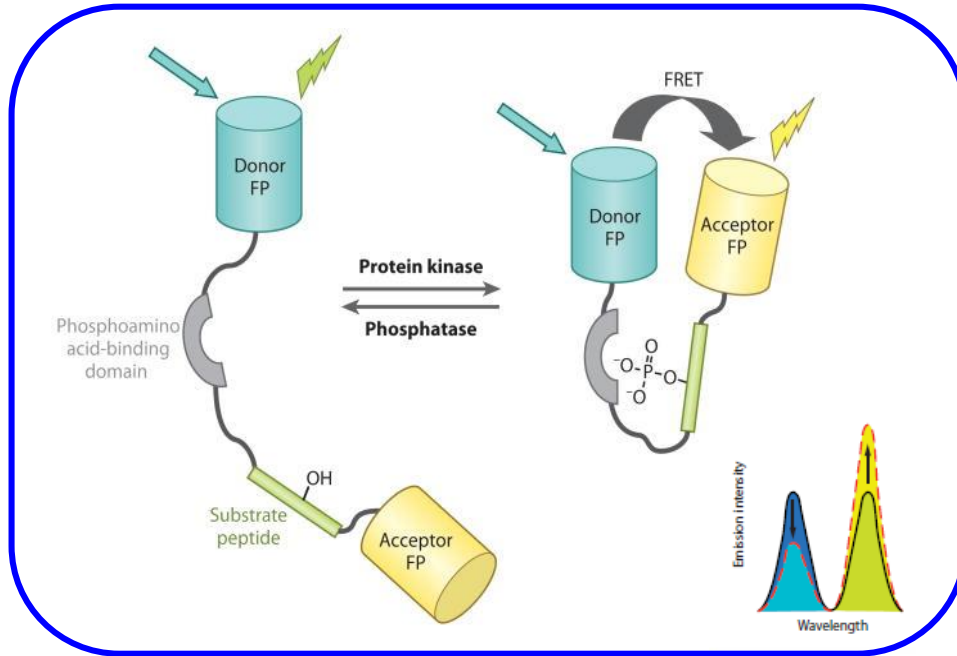


Sensitive & Non-Invasive
Dynamic & Reversible
High spatial and temporal resolution

Fluorescent biosensors are useful tools for a wide variety of applications *in vitro*, *in cellulo* and *in vivo*: fundamental studies, molecular diagnostics, drug discovery programmes, biotechnology, etc...

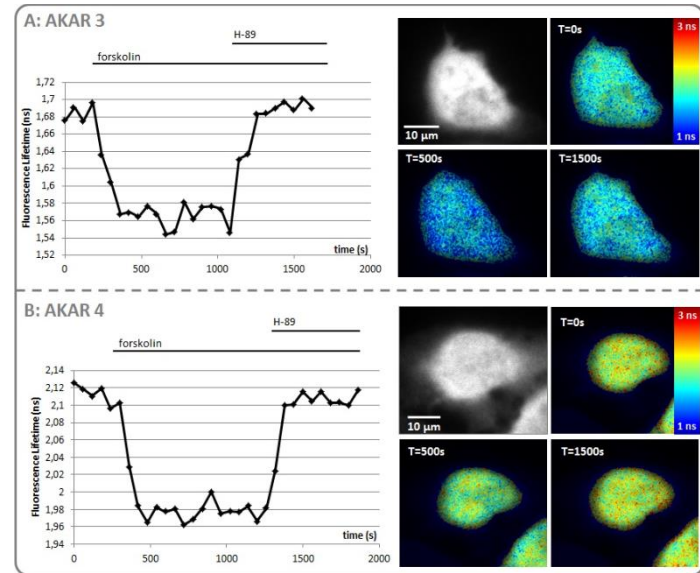
GENETICALLY-ENCODED BIOSENSORS

Single-chain FRET Biosensors



Kinase Activity Reporters (KARs)

Phosphorylation of the substrate sequence favours its intramolecular interaction with the PAABD, bringing together the AFPs, and favouring FRET between donor and acceptor.



Courtesy F. Riquet & P. Vincent

AKAR BIOSENSORS – Probing PKA

U2OS cells transfected with AKAR3 or AKAR4

PKA activated with adenylate cyclase activator (forskolin) and then inhibited with H-89.

Lifetime measurements - frequency domain

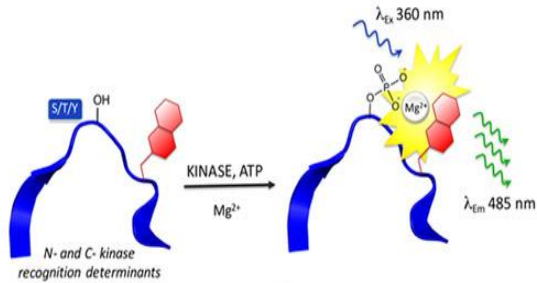
FRET between a donor and an acceptor promotes increase in **fluorescence intensity** of acceptor (decrease of donor) associated with decrease in **life-time** of the donor

FLUORESCENT BIOSENSORS - APPLICATIONS

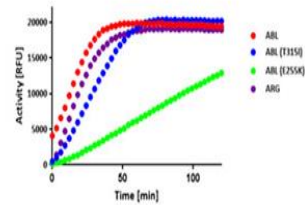
CHEF: Chelation Enhanced Fluorescence of Sox dye (Sulfanamido Oxine)

ASSAYQUANT TECHNOLOGY

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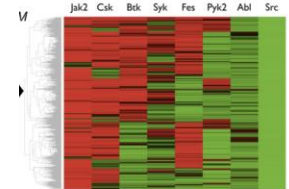
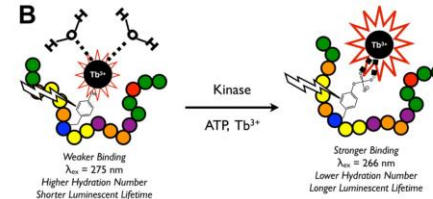


Analysis of Wild-type and Cancer mutations for the Abl Tyrosine kinase



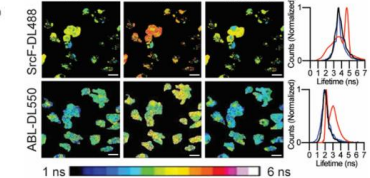
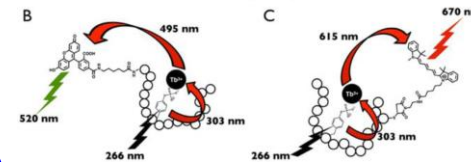
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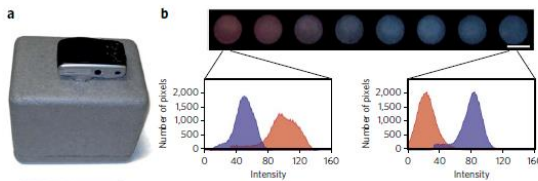
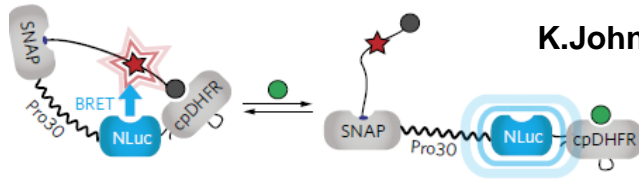
Lipchik et al. *JACS* 2015



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LUCIDS: Luciferase Indicators of Drugs Bioluminescent sensor protein for point-of-care therapeutic drug monitoring

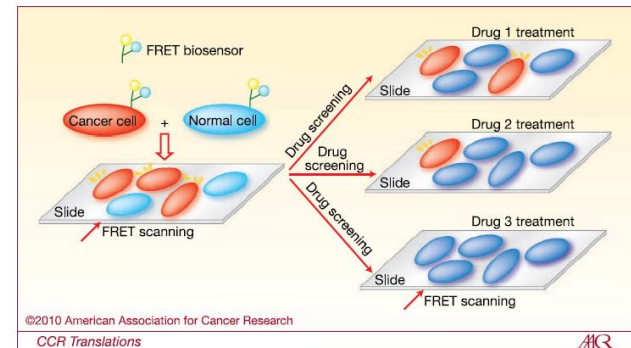
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Griss et al. *Nat. Chem. Biol.* 2014

A Novel FRET-Based Biosensor for the Measurement of BCR-ABL Activity and Its Response to Drugs in Living Cells

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CCR Translations

ACR

Lu & Wang, *Clin. Cancer Res.* 2010

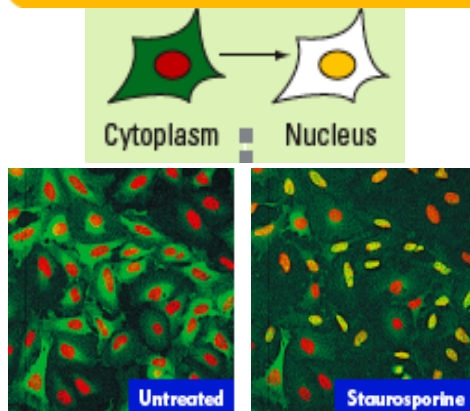
FLUORESCENT BIOSENSORS FOR HTS/HCS

Drug discovery applications *in vitro*, *in extracto* and *in cellulo*

- Drug Discovery Programmes : HTS & HCS
- Positional, FRET, Intensity-based biosensors
- Multiparametric Screens
- Postscreen validation of hits
- Characterization and Optimization of hits to leads
- Preclinical Evaluation of Drugs (biodistribution, pharmacokinetics, response)

Positional Biosensors

Figure 1: A Caspase-3 Activation Biosensor for HCS



K.A. Giuliani et al.
Modern Drug Discovery 2003

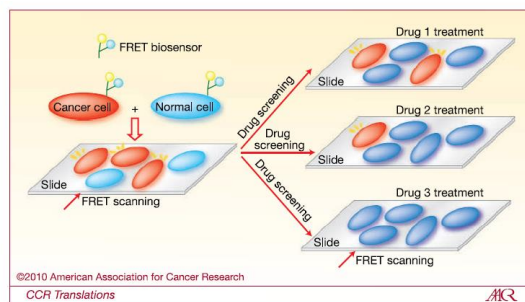
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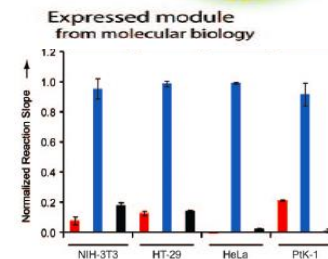
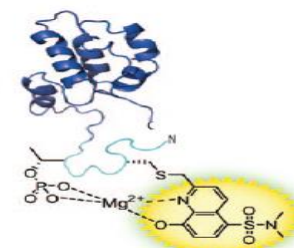
Fluorescence Resonance Energy Transfer Biosensors for Cancer Detection and Evaluation of Drug Efficacy

Shaoying Lu and Yingxiao Wang



Lu & Wang, Clin. Cancer Res. 2010

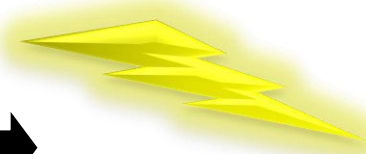
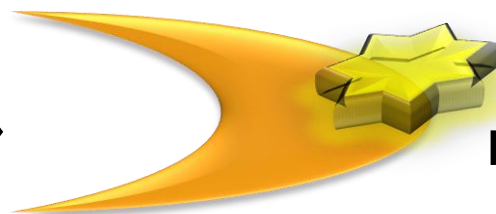
Environmentally-sensitive Biosensors



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DESIGNING SELECTIVE & SENSITIVE BIOSENSORS

Analyte/Target



Fluorescent Signal

PERFORMANCE

SPECIFICITY

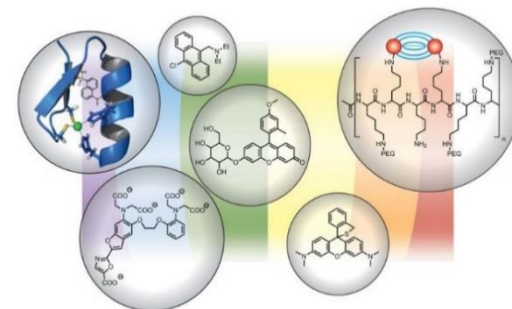
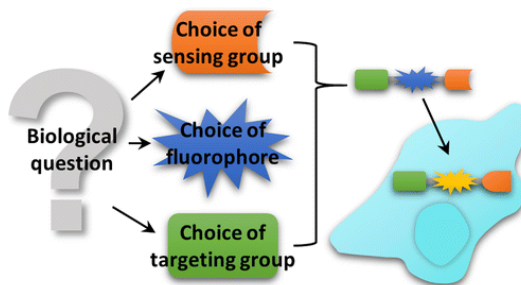
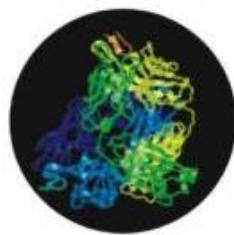
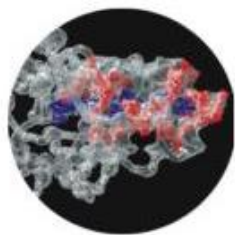
KINETICS

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SENSITIVITY

ROBUSTNESS

DOSE-DEPENDENCY



DESIGN & ENGINEERING SCAFFOLD

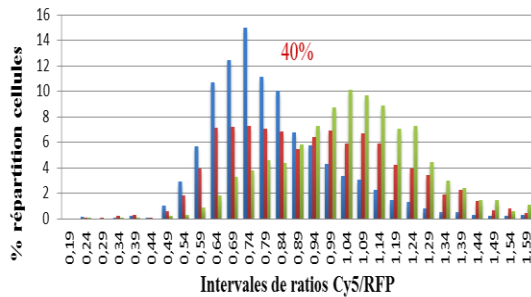
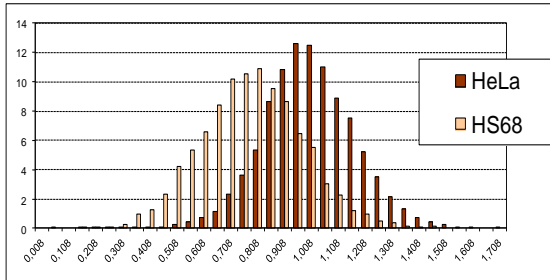
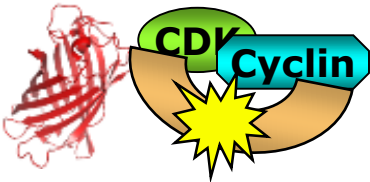
Selectivity – Stability - Robustness

CHOICE OF FLUORESCENT PROBE

Sensitivity - Robustness

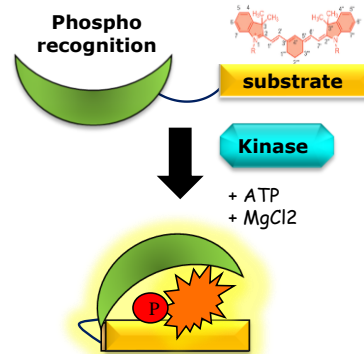
CDKSENS, CDKACT & CDKCONF BIOSENSORS

CDKSENS : probing relative abundance

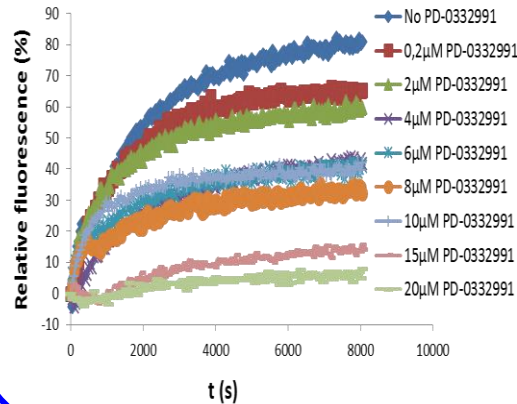


Multiparametric High Content Screen
Cellomics ArrayScan Robot

CDKACT : probing kinase activity



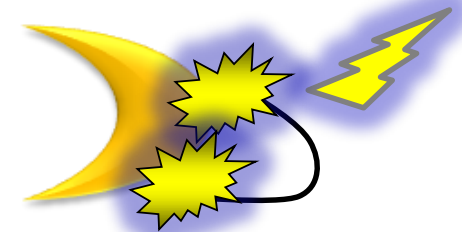
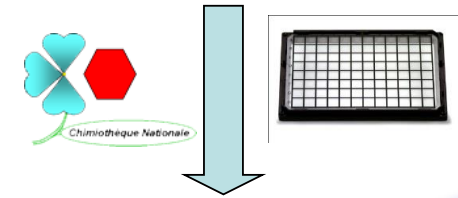
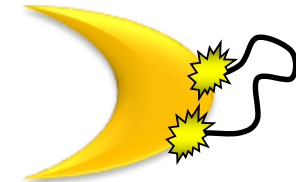
melanoma cell extracts (A375)



High Throughput Screen
Mammalian Cell Extracts

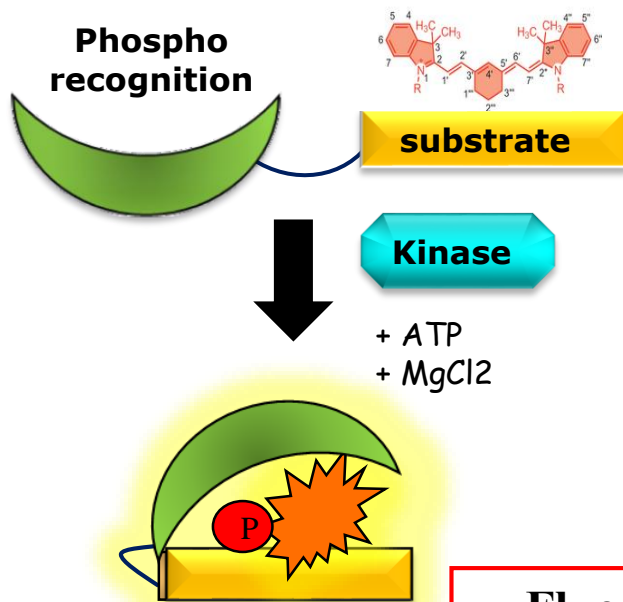
CDKCONF : probing conformational dynamics

« Molecular Hinges »

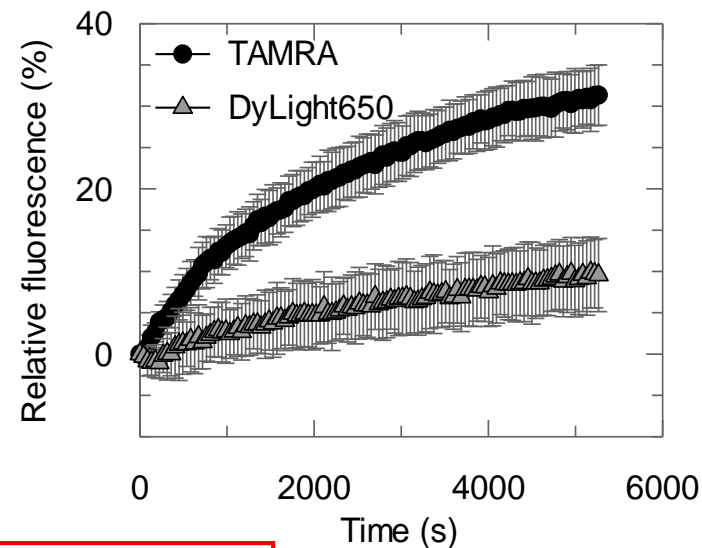
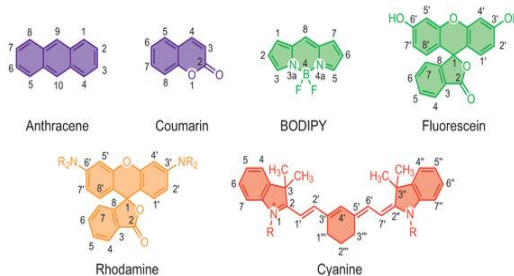


High Throughput Screen
In vitro, in solution

CDKACT BIOSENSOR TECHNOLOGY



Environmentally-sensitive Fluorescent Dye

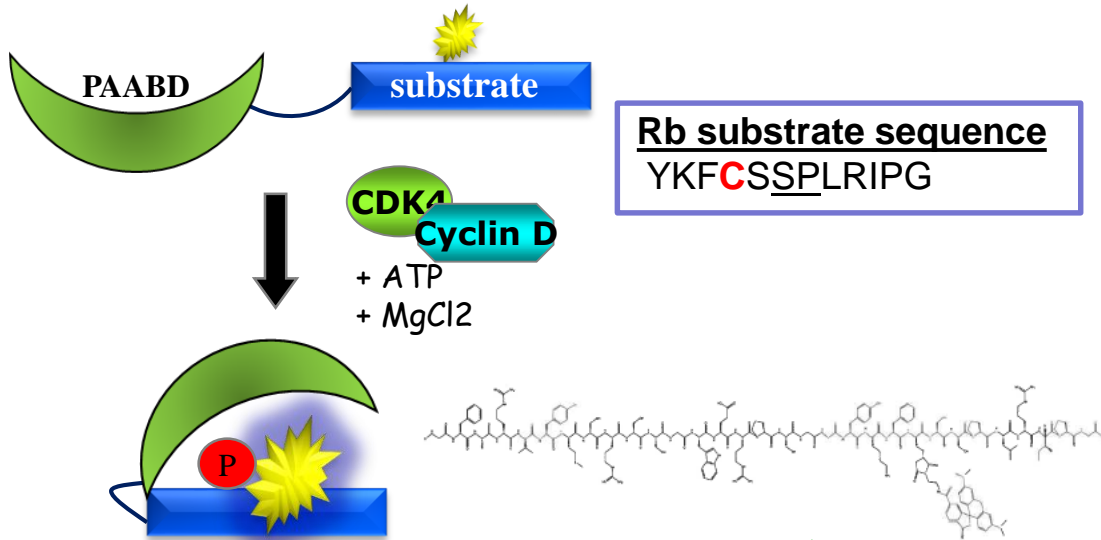


**Fluorescence enhancement in response to
kinase activity and substrate phosphorylation**

- Peptide / polypeptide conjugated to synthetic fluorescent probe
- Specific recognition (bioreceptor) : substrate or interface
- Reponse, sensitivity, dynamic range : choice of fluorescent probes
- Modularity & Versatility

- **Simple**
- **Sensitive**
- **Selective**
- **Reversible**
- **Dynamic**

CDKACT4 BIOSENSOR TECHNOLOGY

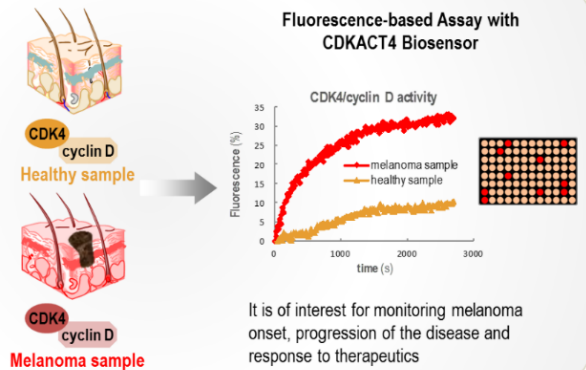
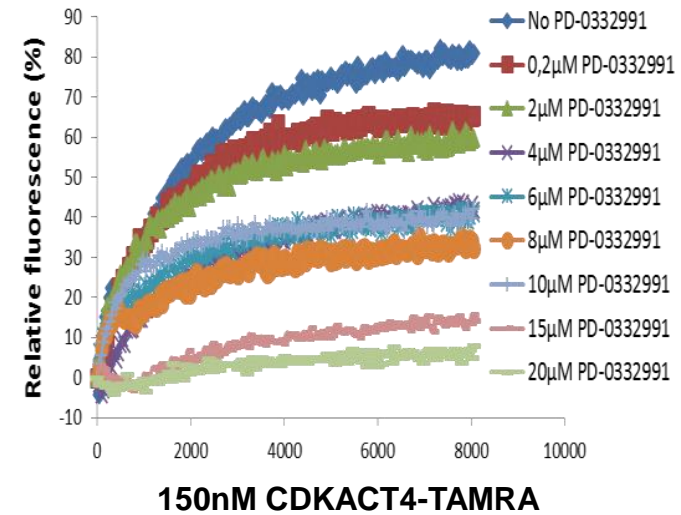


PAABD short:
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WW Pin 1:
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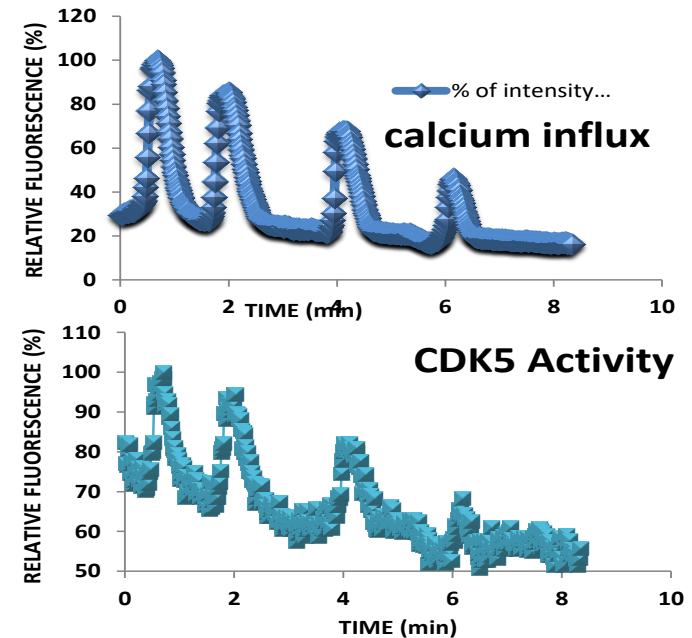
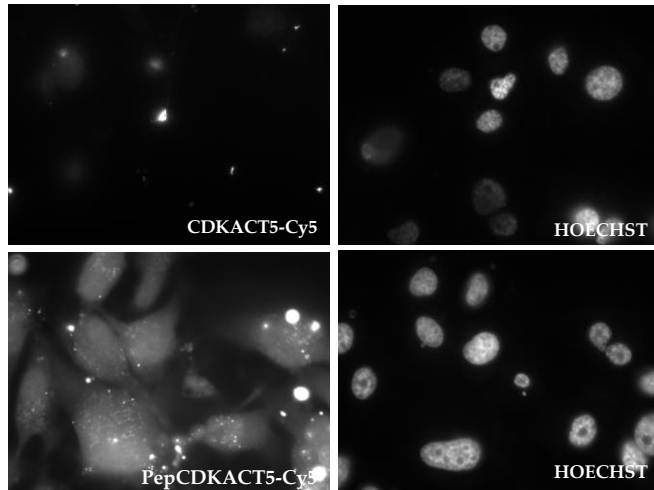
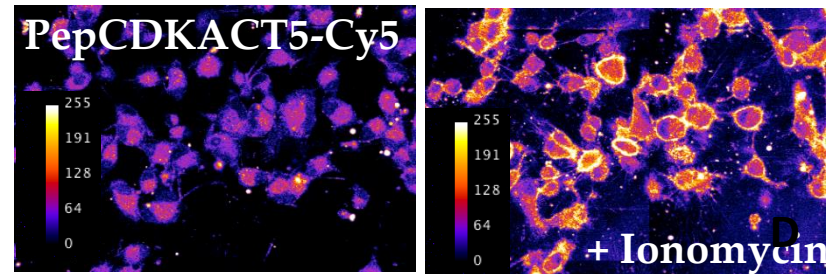
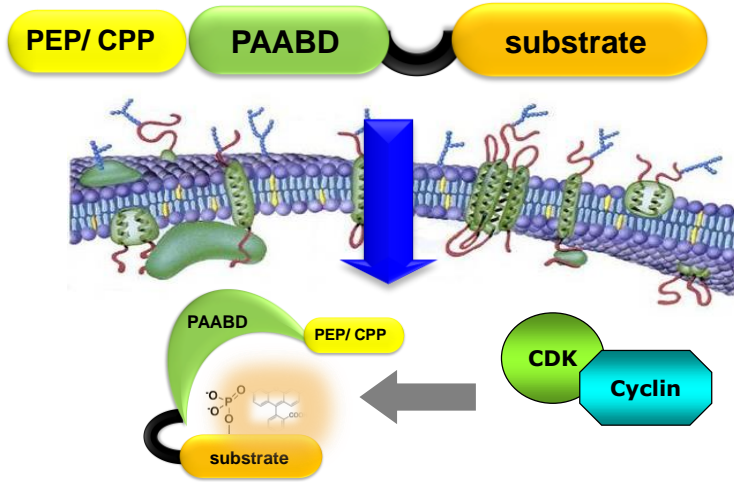
- Dose-dependent response to CDK4 kinase activity
- In cell extracts, mouse xenografts & biopsies
- Monitoring Response to Therapeutics
- Towards Diagnostic assays

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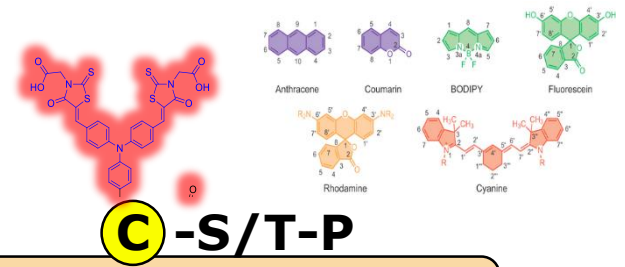
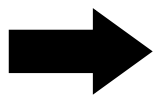
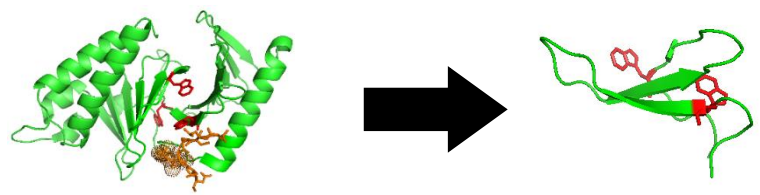
Prével C. et al. (2016) Fluorescent peptide biosensor for monitoring CDK4/cyclin D kinase activity in melanoma cell extracts, mouse xenografts and skin biopsies. *Biosens. Bioelectron.*

CELL-PENETRATING CDKACT5 TO IMAGE CDK5 ACTIVITY IN U87 CELLS



Fluorescent Peptide Biosensor Toolbox

Gaining Insight into the Landscape of Protein Kinase Activities in cancer



Phosphoamino acid binding domain

linker

Substrate sequence



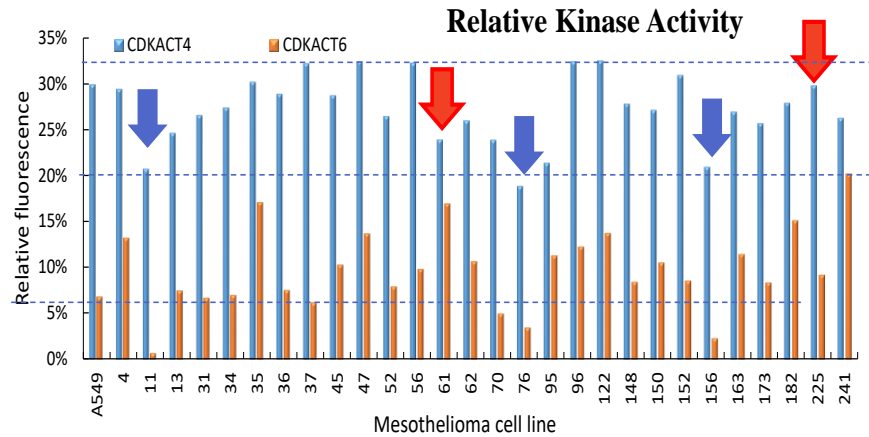
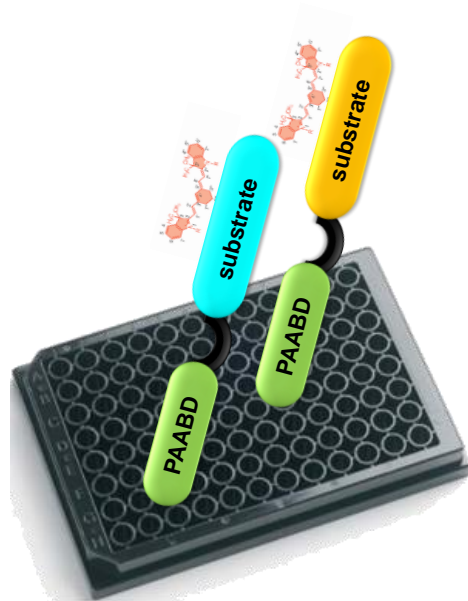
- ❖ Multisensing platform
- ❖ Multiplex sensing
- ❖ Kinase activity profiling

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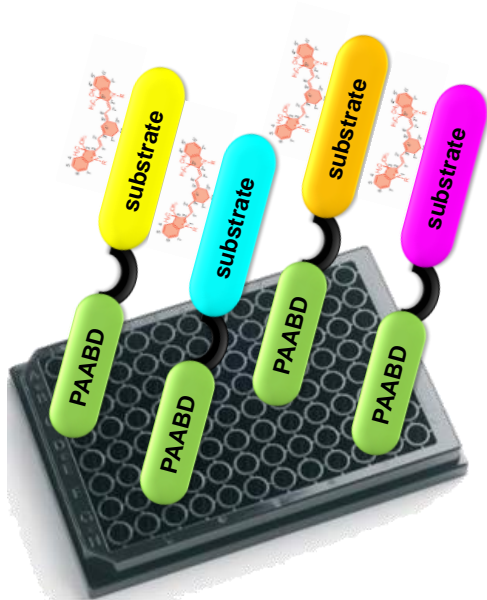
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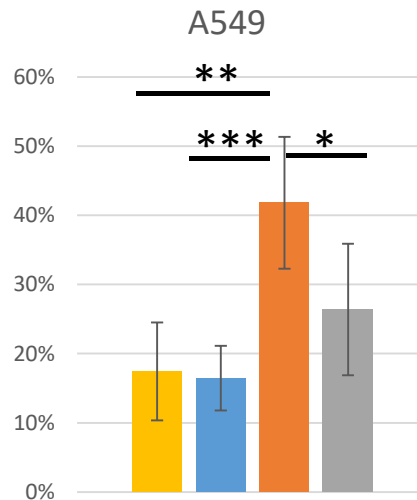
Profiling CDK Activities in cell lines



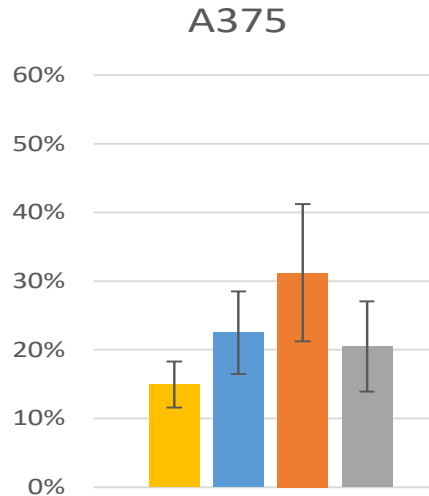
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NSCLC lung cancer



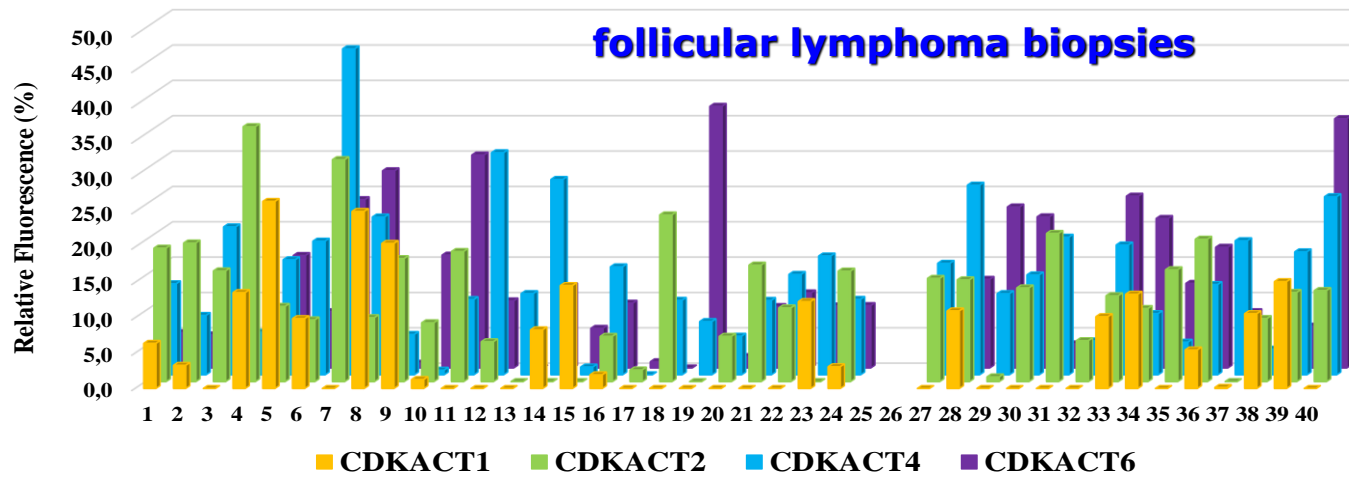
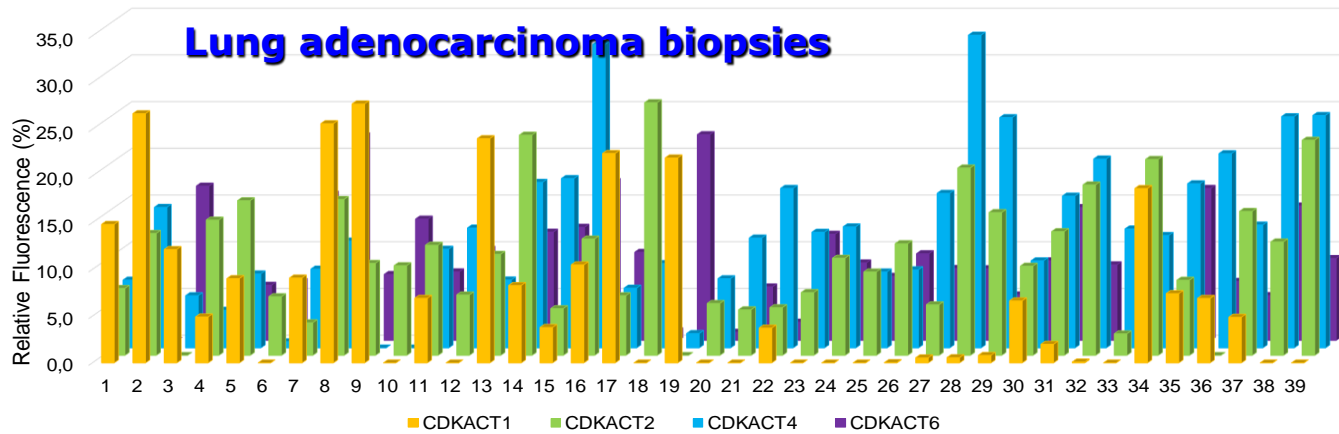
Melanoma



- CDKACT1
- CDKACT2
- CDKACT4
- CDKACT6

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Large-scale Profiling of CDK Activities in tumour biopsies from human patients

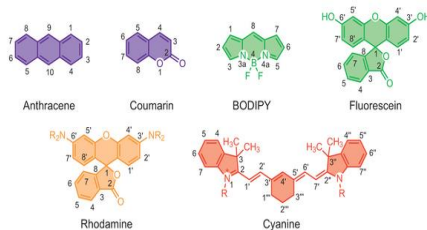
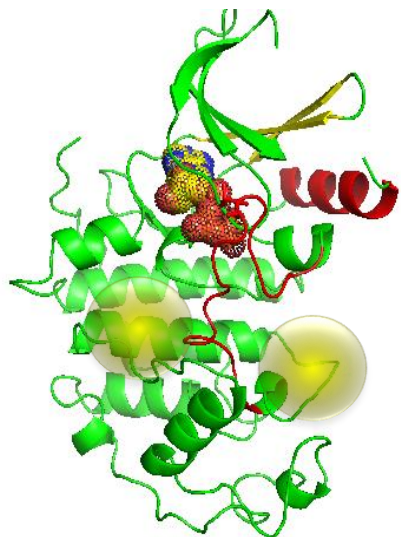


Profiling Protein Kinase Activities in Tumour Biopsies through multiplexed biosensing with fluorescent peptides
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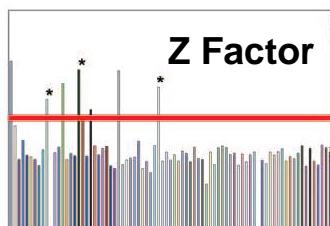
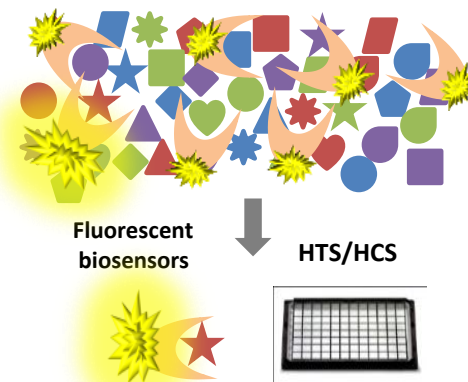
DESIGNING CONFORMATIONAL BIOSENSORS & SCREENING FOR ALLOSTERIC MODULATORS

Incorporation of fluorescent probes into the kinase scaffold

FLIK – Fluorescent Labels in Kinases



Establishment of Screening Assay & HTS



- Validation
- Optimization
- Miniaturization
- Performance
- Statistical value



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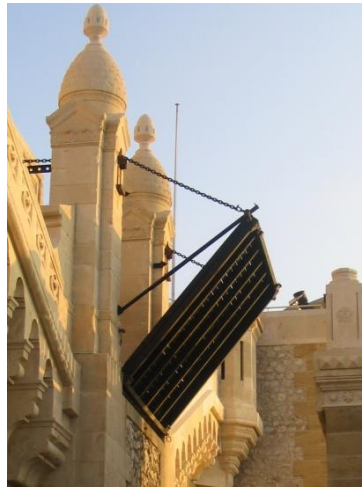
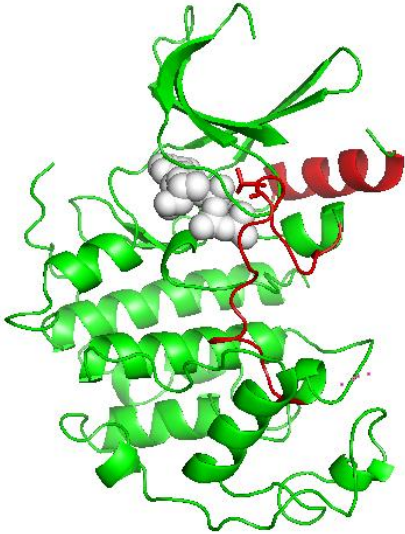
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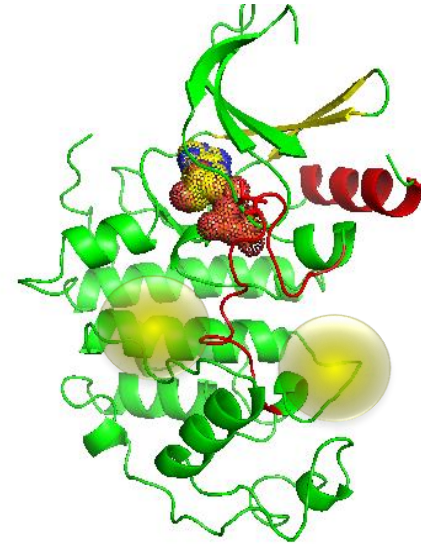
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Incorporation of fluorescent probes into the kinase scaffold

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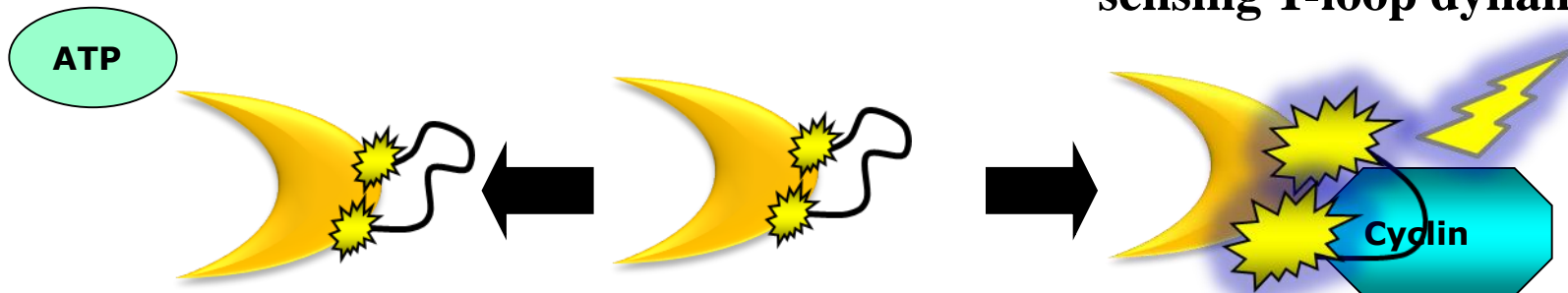


The T-loop is like a drawbridge



- Insensitive to ATP pocket binders
- Responsive to allosteric modulators

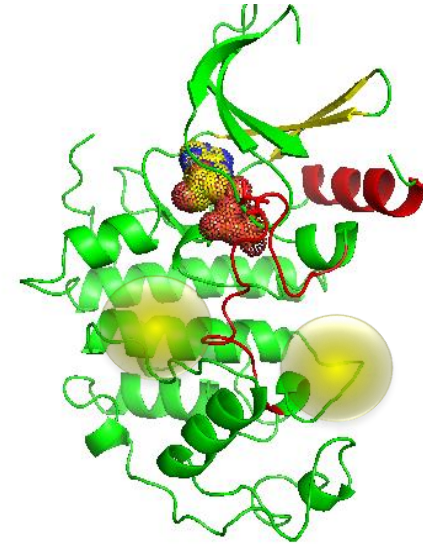
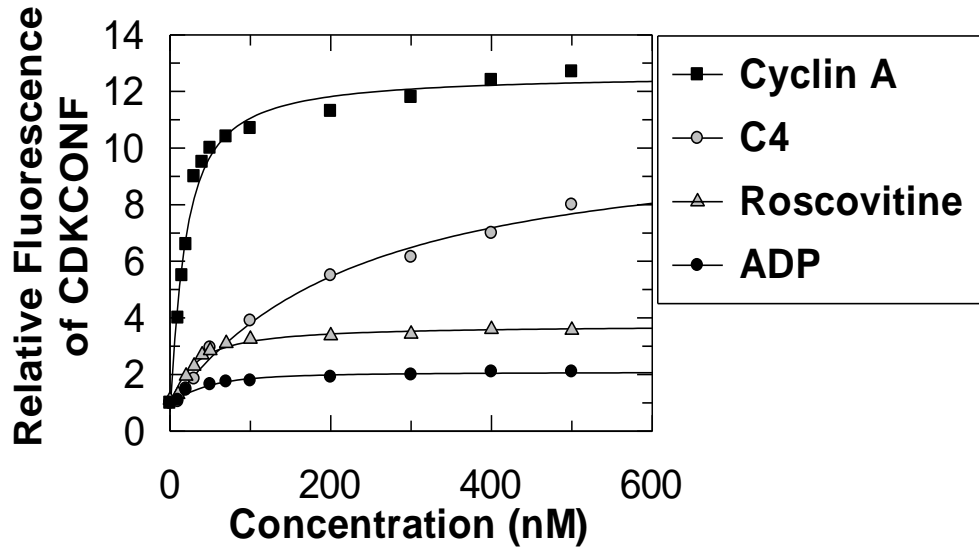
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« Molecular hinges » for sensing T-loop dynamics



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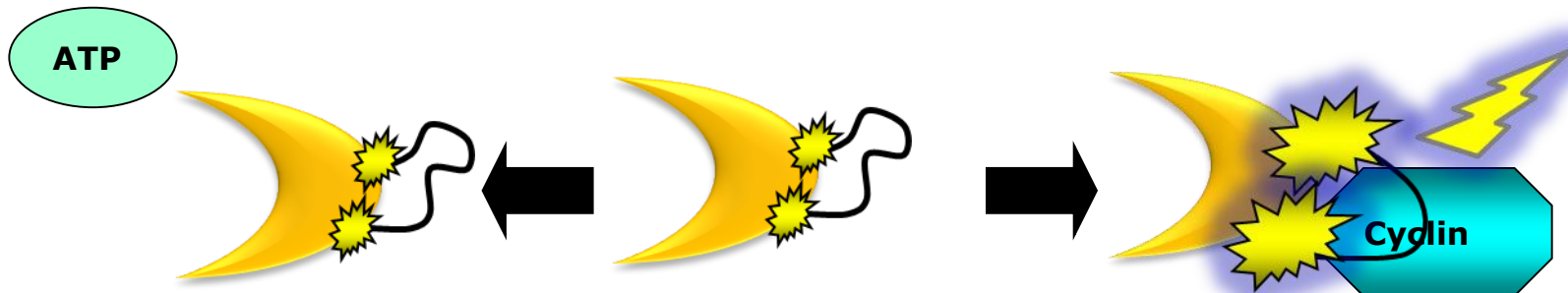
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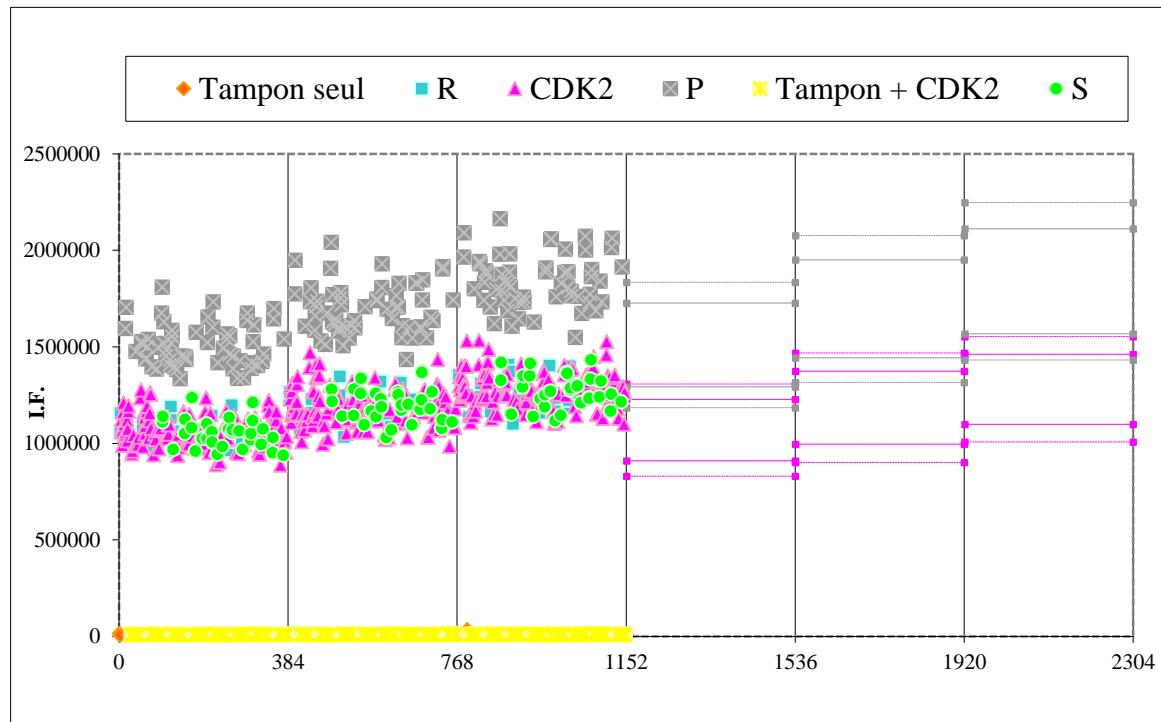
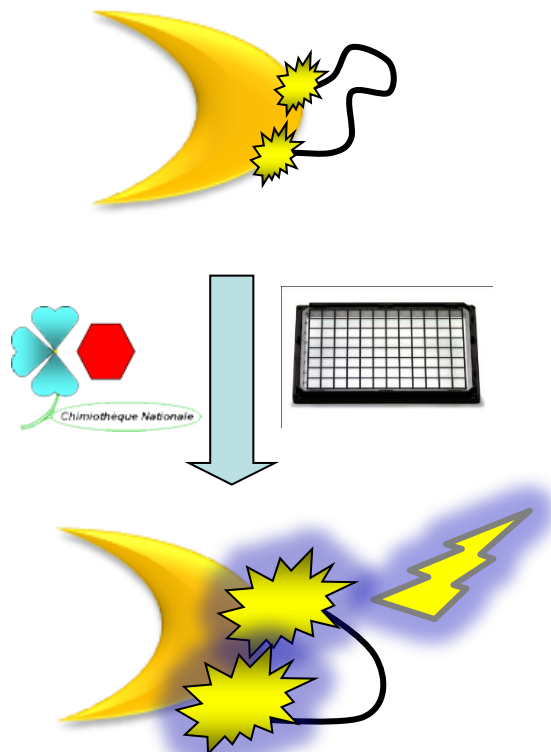
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CDKCONF BIOSENSOR

Downscaling & Optimization of Screen

« Molecular Hinges »



Orange squares : buffer

Yellow squares : buffer + CDK2

Pink triangles: CDKCONF 5nM

Green circles: CDKCONF 5nM+ Staurosporine 10 μ M

Blue squares: CDKCONF 5nM+ Roscovitine 10 μ M

Grey Squares CDKCONF 5nm +C4 Peptide at 5 μ M

lines: ± 2 SDE ; dotted lines : ± 3 SDE

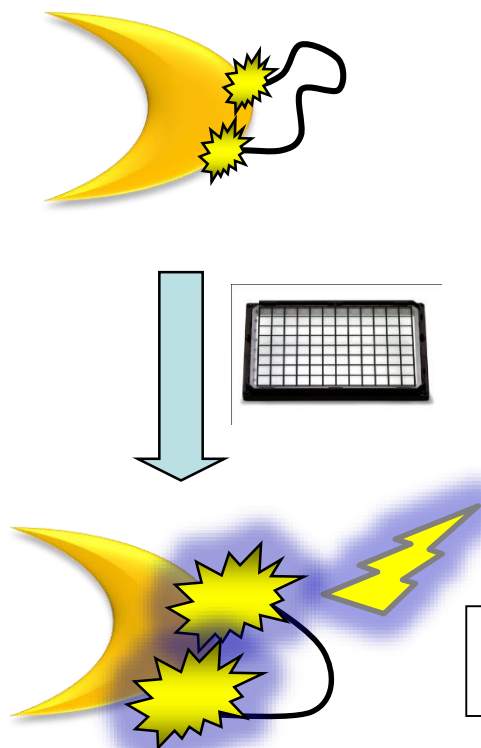
CDKCONF BIOSENSOR

In search of allosteric inhibitors of CDK2

High throughput Screen French National Library of Chemical Compounds : 18480 cpds



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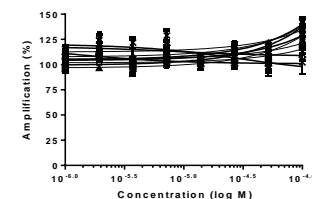
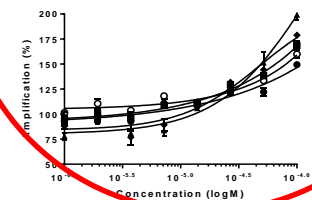
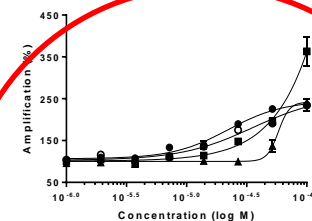


CDKCONF-Cy3 Screen
18480 chemical compounds

264 hits
amplification of fluorescence
equal to or greater to that of C4

201 autofluorescent
compounds

47 hits reconfirmed
manually



9 selected
compounds

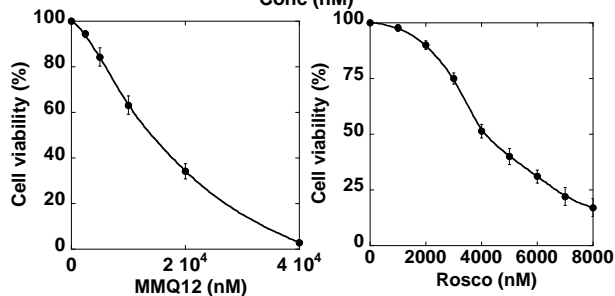
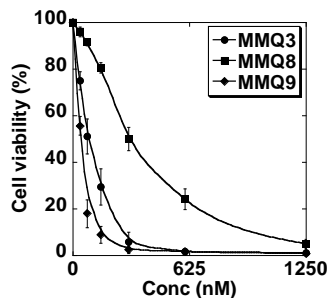
NEW CLASS OF CDK2 INHIBITORS : MMQs

MMQs – Metaquinacridines

modulators of CDK2 conformation and Inhibitors of cell proliferation

Coll. Florence Mahuteau-Betzer (Orsay)

Anti-proliferative effect in HeLa cells



IC50 values (nM)

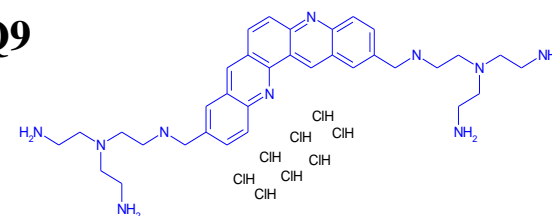
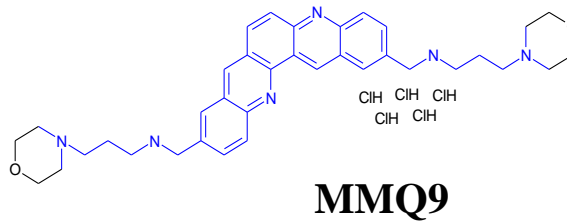
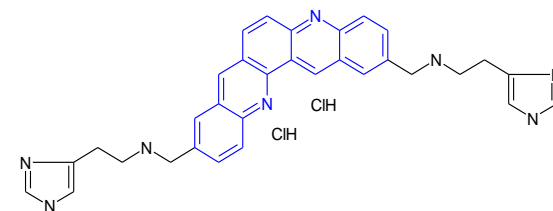
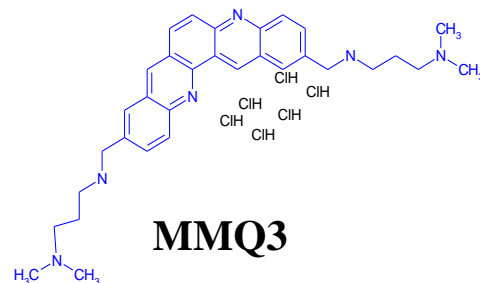
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MMQ8 280 +/- 15

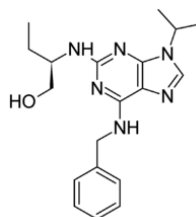
MMQ9 50 +/- 8

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Roscov. 4500 +/- 100



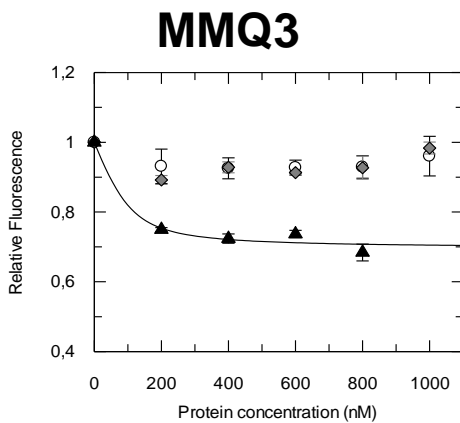
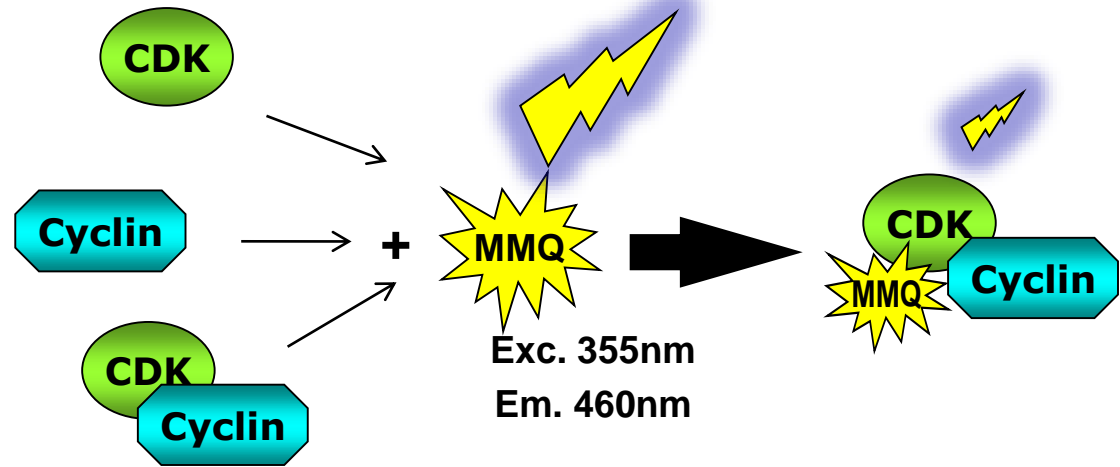
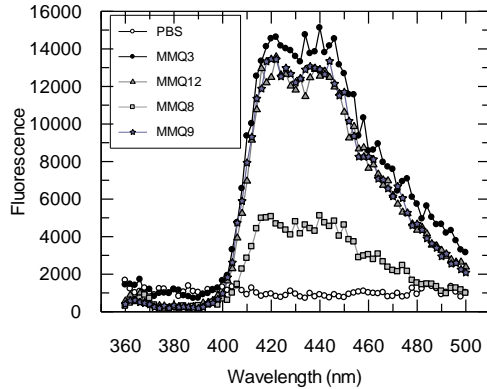
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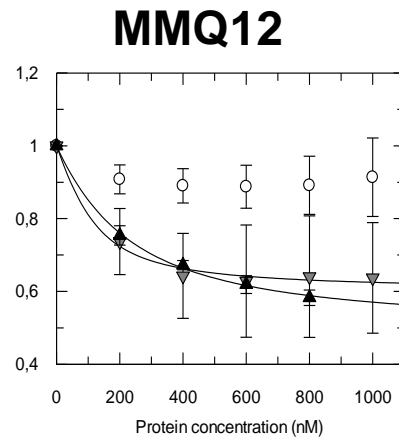
Telomerase inhibitors based on quadruplex ligands selected by a fluorescence assay

Jean-Louis Mergny^{*†}, Laurent Lacroix^{**†}, Marie-Paule Teulade-Fichou[‡], Candide Hounsou[‡], Lionel Guittat^{*}, Magali Hoarau^{*}, Paola B. Arimondo^{*†}, Jean-Pierre Vigneron[‡], Jean-Marie Lehn[‡], Jean-François Riou^{**†}, Thérèse Garestier^{*}, and Claude Hélène^{*}

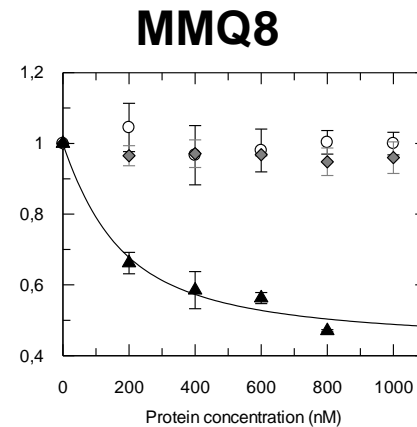
MMQs bind the CDK2/CyclinA complex



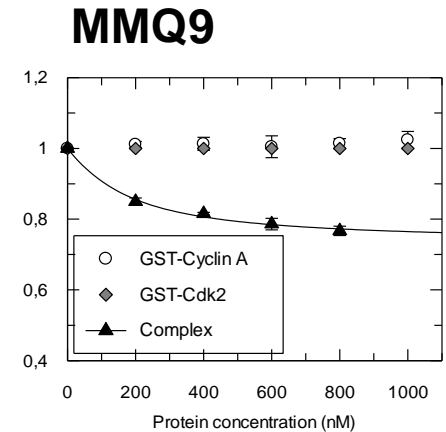
Kd (nM) 28 ± 26



Kd (nM) 174 ± 26



Kd (nM) 114 ± 26



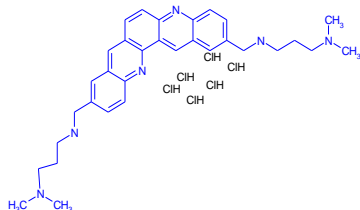
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PROOF-OF-CONCEPT FOR SCREENING FOR ALLOSTERIC MODULATORS OF CDK2

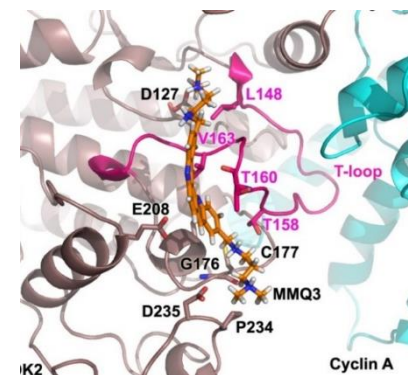
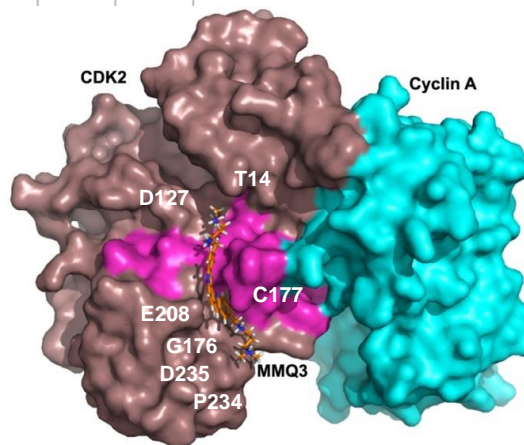
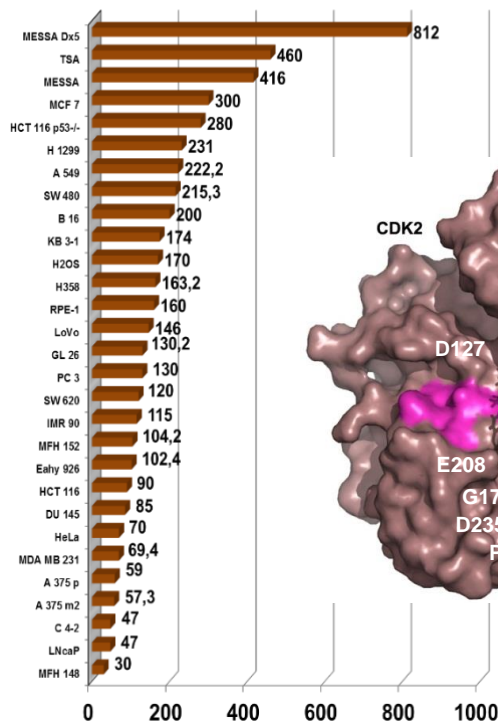
HTS -SCREEN
20'000 Compounds
(Chimiothèque Nationale)



HTS/HCS
Fluorescent biosensors



Growth inhibition of different cell lines by MMQ3 – IC50 (nM).



MMQ3 staples onto the T-loop and binds several T-loop residues, as well as several hotspots adjacent to this activation segment, which are critical for CDK regulation

MMQs – Metaquinacridines modulators of CDK2 conformation and inhibitors of cell proliferation

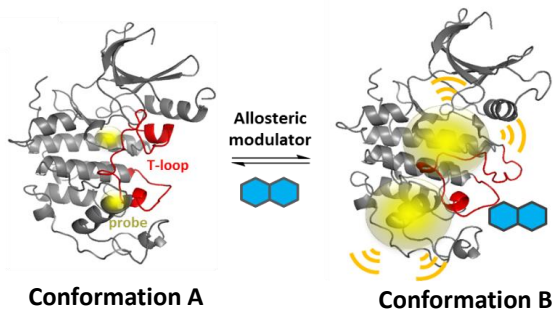
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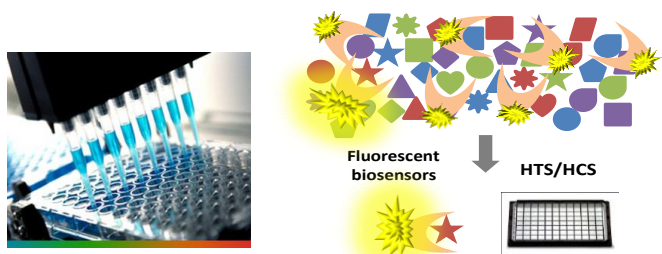
Pellerano et al. Biotechnology J. (2017) Targeting Conformational Activation of CDK2

DESIGNING CONFORMATIONAL BIOSENSORS & SCREENING FOR ALLOSTERIC MODULATORS

Biosensor Design & Validation

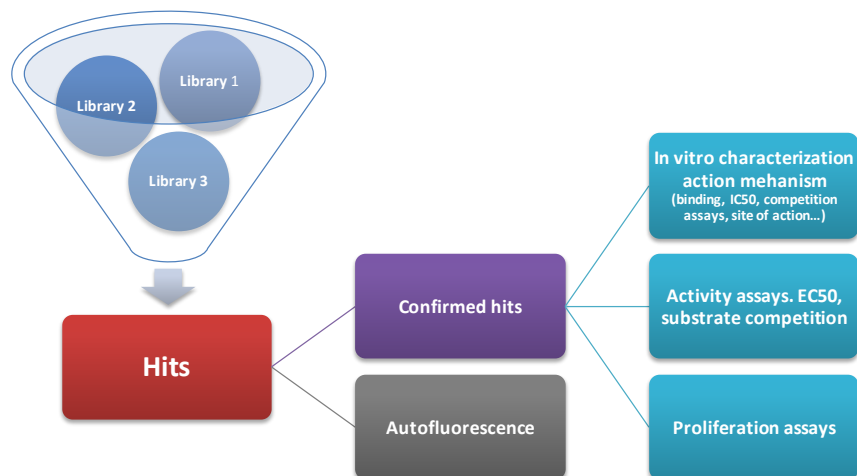


Establishment of Screening Assay & HTS



Characterization of Hits in vitro / in cellulo

Fluorescent enhancement assay



Compounds were screened at 10 μ M with 10nM CDKCONF biosensors on a TECANTM freedom EVO



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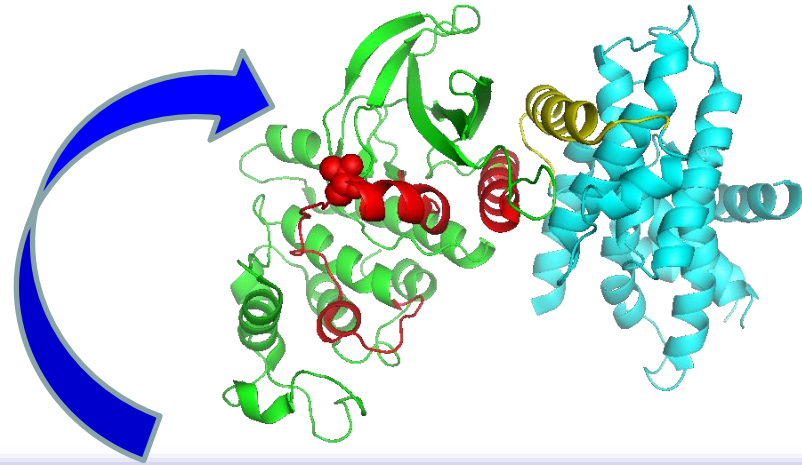
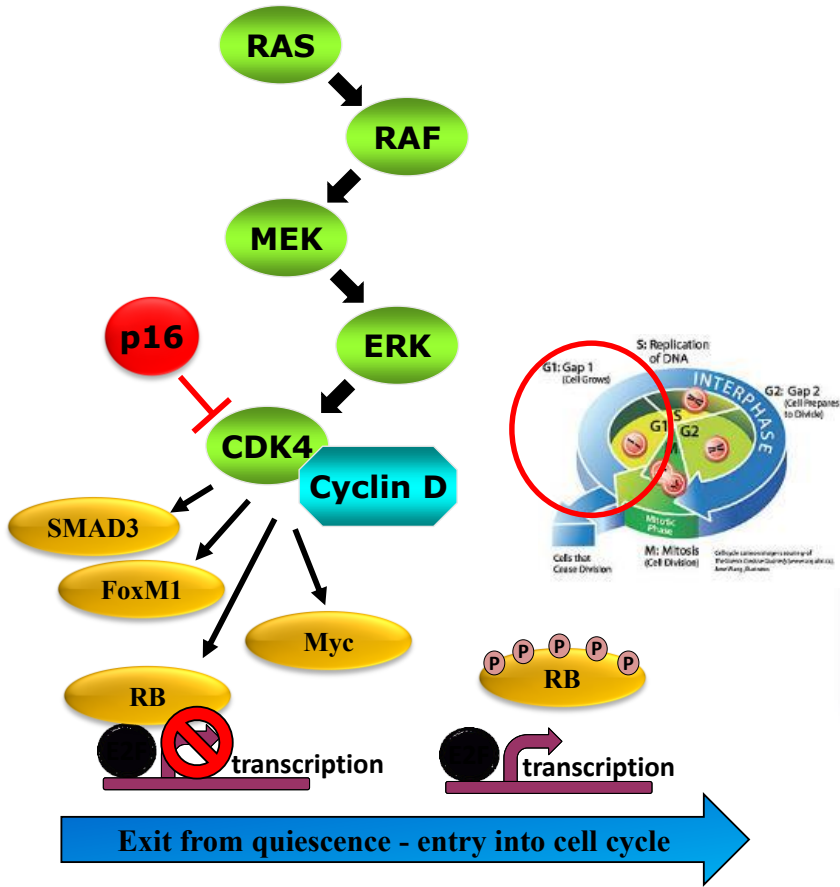


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TARGETING CDK4 KINASE IN CANCER



PALBOCICLIB (IBRANCE) PD-0332991 - Pfizer	RIBOCICLIB (KISQALI) LEE011 - Novartis	ABEMACICLIB (VERZENO) LY2835219 - Lilly
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Mechanisms of CDK4 hyperactivation
CDK4 overexpression
Cyclin D amplification /overexpression
p16 ^{INK4A} deletion
CDK4 R24C mutation

Cyclin D overexpression in cancers	
Lung	18 – 76%
Melanoma	30 – 65%
Pancreatic	42 – 82%
Breast	50 – 70%
Colorectal	55%
Lymphoma	> 90%

Hamilton et Infante
Cancer Treatment Rev. 2016

Musgrove et al.
Nat Rev Cancer 2011

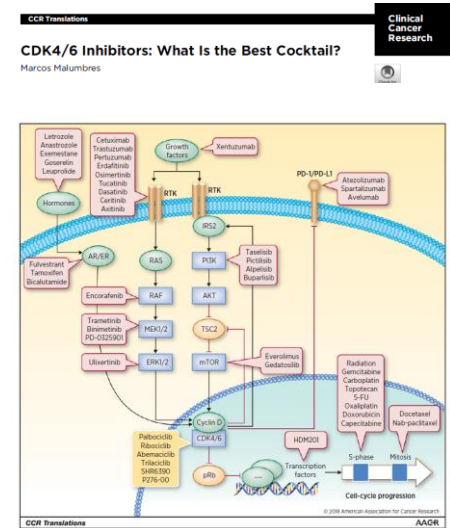
The Cell-Cycle Regulator CDK4: An Emerging Therapeutic Target in Melanoma *Clin Cancer Res* 2013
Karen E. Sheppard and Grant A. McArthur

A Synthetic Lethal Interaction between K-Ras Oncogenes and Cdk4 Unveils a Therapeutic Strategy for Non-small Cell Lung Carcinoma
Marta Puyol,^{1,6,7} Alberto Martín,^{1,6,8} Pierre Dubus,⁴ Francisca Mulero,² Pilar Pizcueta,³ Gulfaraz Khan,⁵ Camen Guerra,¹ David Santamaría,³ and Mariano Barbacid^{1*}

THERAPEUTIC LANDSCAPE OF CDK4/CDK6 INHIBITORS

	Palbociclib PD-0332991 - Pfizer	Ribociclib LEE011 - Novartis	Abemaciclib LY2835219 - Lilly
Marketed	Breast (IBRANCE)	Breast (KISQALI)	Breast (VERZENIO)
Clinical trials	Phase III	NSC lung cancer	NSC lung cancer
	Phase II	Head & Neck, Urogenital	Gastrointestinal, teratoma
	Phase I	Malignant melanoma, Colorectal, MC lymphoma, pancreatic, solid tumours	Glioma, liposarcoma, malignant melanoma, NSC lung, prostate, head & Neck, lymphoma, neuroblastoma, renal, solid tumours
Sensitivity	Loss of p16 ^{INK4A}		KRAS mutations in NSCLC
Dose	125 mg/day for 4 weeks	900 mg/day for 4 weeks	200 mg twice/day
Combined Therapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - with endocrine therapies (Letrozole, Fulvestrant) => Breast cancer - with PI3K/AKT/mTOR pathway inhibitors (buparlisib, alpelisib) => Breast, NSCLC, pancreatic - with RAS/RAF/MEK/ERK pathway inhibitor (binimetinib) => Melanoma - with chemotherapies (paclitaxel, gemcitabine, doxorubicin) => NSCLC, Breast, Neuroblastoma - with radiotherapy (POC in vitro) 		
Adverse Secondary Effects	Neutropenia, anemia, fatigue, nausea, diarrhea, dyspnea, arthralgia	Neutropenia, leukopenia, lymphopenia, nausea, fatigue, thrombocytopenia, mucositis, pulmonary embolism, hyponatremia, QTC prolongation, increased creatinine	Neutropenia, diarrhea, nausea, fatigue, vomiting

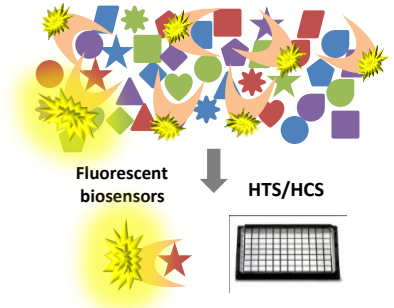
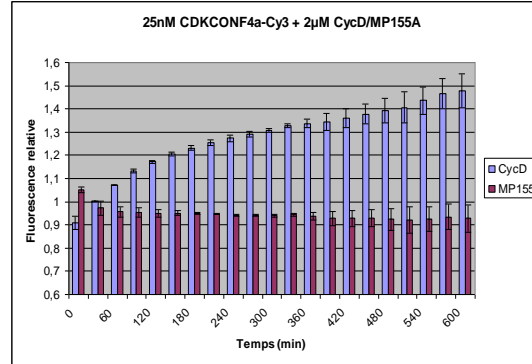
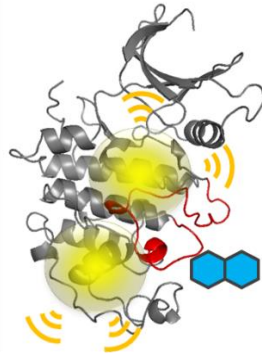
**ATP-competitive
Type 1 Inhibitors
Limited efficacy in
monotherapy**



SCREENING WITH CDKCONF4 BIOSENSORS



Camille Prével



Screen 1 -480 cpds

Screen 2 -640 cpds

15 & 9 hits (A&B)
Fluorescence
amplification

2 hits (the same)
Fluorescence
amplification

ZFactor : 0.89

ZFactor : 0.68

Source of Compounds

Library 1 – essential French National Library of Chemical Compounds

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Compounds screened at 10µM with 10nM CDKCONF5 on a TECAN freedom EVO

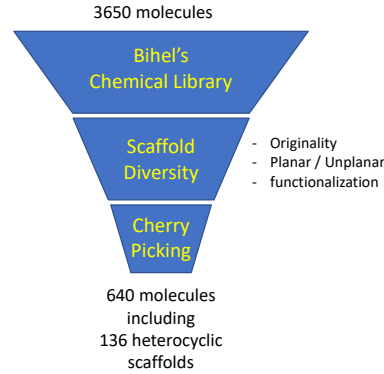
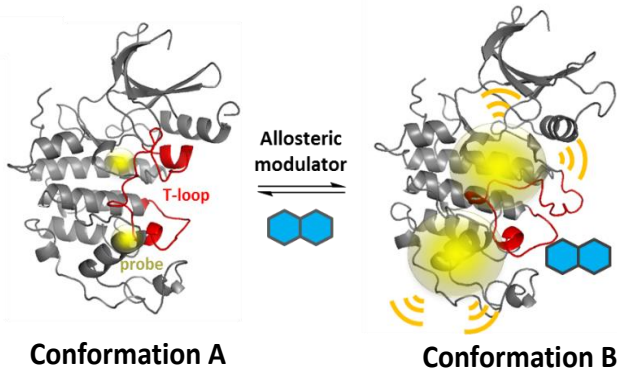
Automated HTS performed at Montpellier Imaging Facility (MRI)



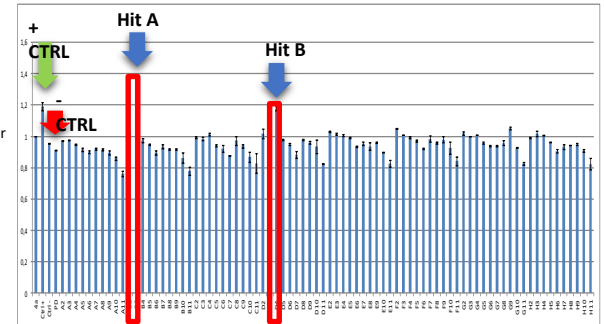
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ALLOSTERIC CDK4 MODULATORS OF CDK4

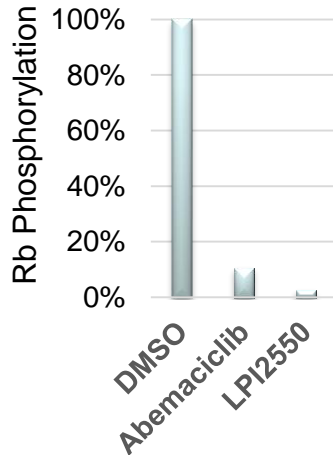
CDKCONF4 Conformational Biosensor discriminates against ATP-pocket binders



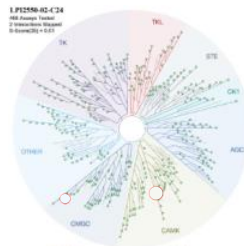
Fluorescence Based Screen: Response of Biosensor to small molecules



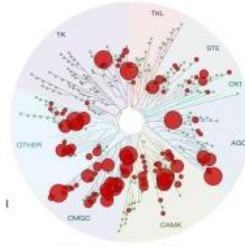
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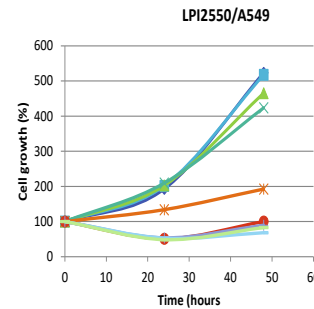
LPI2550



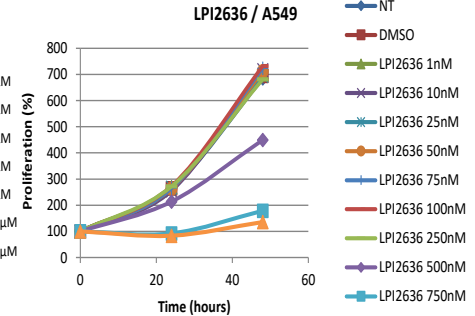
Abemaciclib



KinomeScan DiscoverX (456 kinases)



IC₅₀ = 1.9 µM



IC₅₀ = 0.6 µM

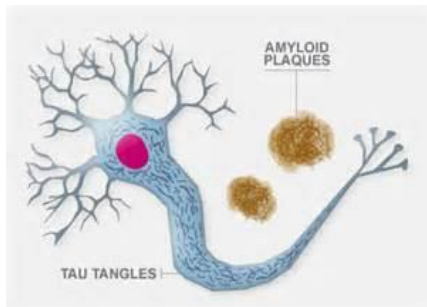
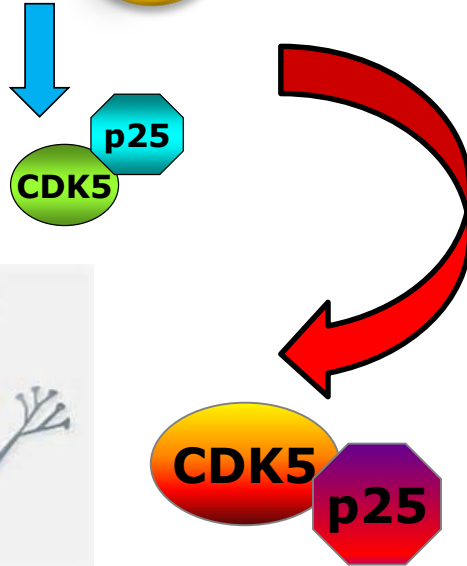
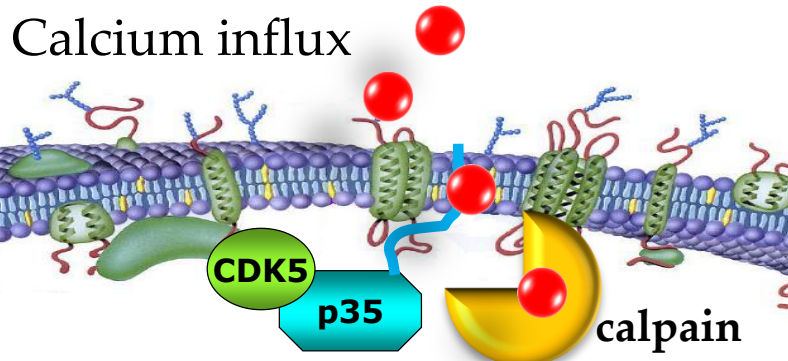
LPI2550 IC₅₀ 2.5 µM – optimization to LPI2636 IC₅₀ 0.3 µM

Collab. Frederic Bihel, Strasbourg - CDK4PPI project

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MATURATION & ACCELERATING
TRANSLATION WITH INDUSTRY



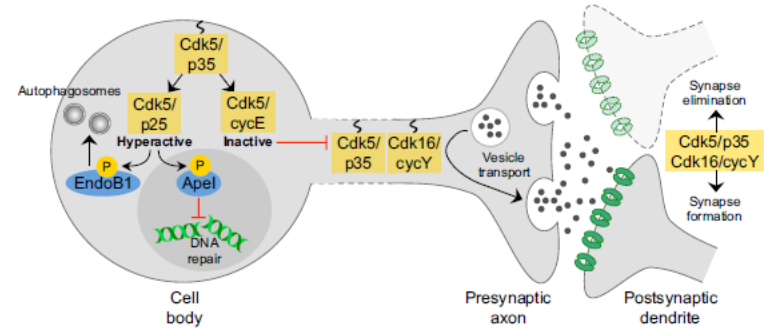
CDK5/p25 – an atypical CDK kinase coordinates neuronal functions - hyperactivated in cancer



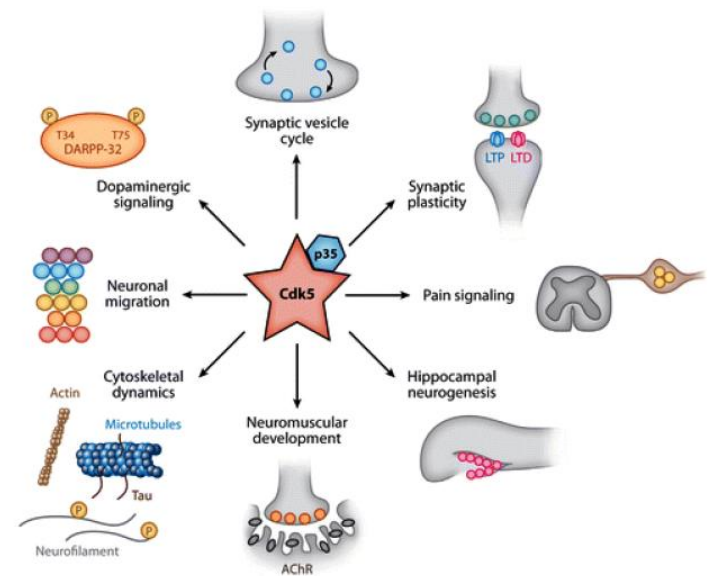
Cdk5: a multifaceted kinase in neurodegenerative diseases

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Trends in Cell Biology March 2012, Vol. 22, No. 3

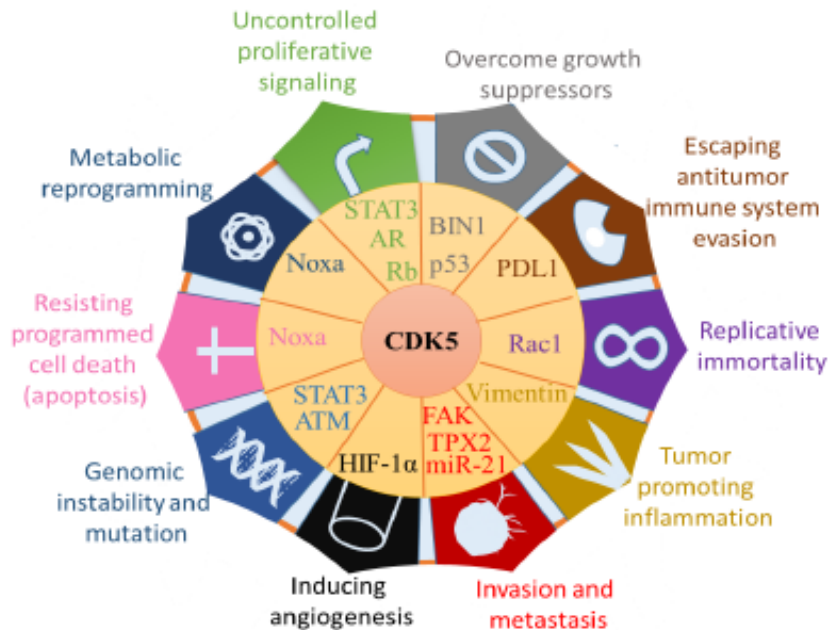


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Su & Tsai, Ann. Rev. Cell.Dev. Biol. 2011

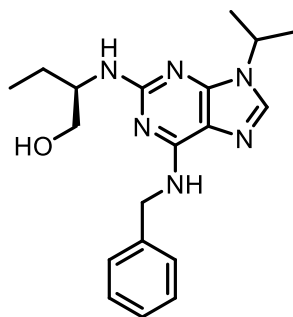
CDK5 - RELEVANT CANCER BIOMARKER & TARGET



- Promotes proliferation and growth of cancer cells (including stem cells)
- Induces Rb-mediated senescence
- Stimulates angiogenesis
- Regulates motility, migration and metastasis of cancer cells
- Involves in cellular adaptations to hypoxic stress
- Favors the emergence of resistance to chemotherapies
- Up-regulates the formation of PD-L1, a checkpoint protein on the surface of tumor cells that reduces their recognition by the immune system

THERAPEUTIC LANDSCAPE OF CDK5

- Orthosteric Inhibitors
- Two pan-inhibitors of the ATP binding site pushed into clinical trials
- One new selective inhibitor



CDK1 : 650 nM
 CDK2 : 700 nM
 CDK5 : 160 nM
 CDK7 : 460 nM
 CDK9 : 600 nM

Seliciclib

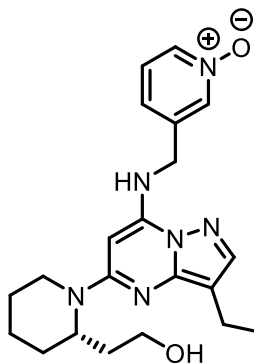
(alias **(R)-Roscovitine**)

Pan-inhibitor of the ATP-binding site

Clinical trials phase 2

Against many cancers

=> Partial response – tumor stabilization



CDK1 : 3 nM
 CDK2 : 1 nM
 CDK5 : 1 nM
 CDK9 : 4 nM

Dinaciclib

Pan-inhibitor of the ATP-binding site

Clinical trials phase 3

Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia

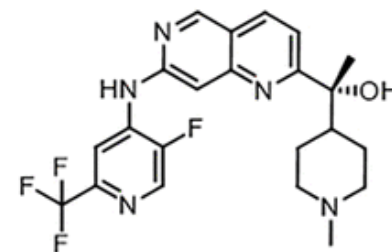
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Article

Discovery and Optimization of Highly Selective Inhibitors of CDK5

Matthew H. Daniels,* Goran Malojcic, Susan L. Clugston,* Brett Williams, Marie Coeffet-Le Gal, Xin-Ru Pan-Zhou, Srinivasan Venkatachalan, Jean-Christophe Harmange, and Mark Ledebner

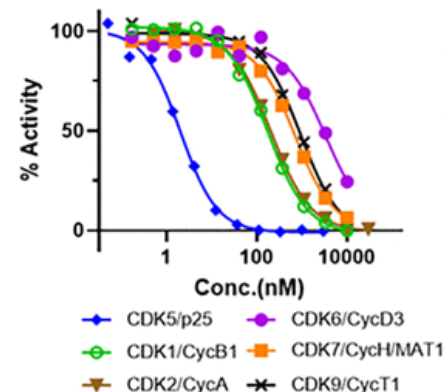


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CDK5 IC₅₀ = 2.3 nM

Selective over CDK1/2/6/7/9

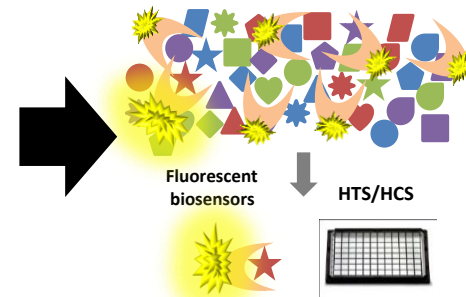
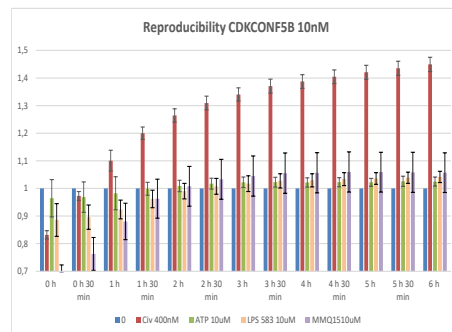
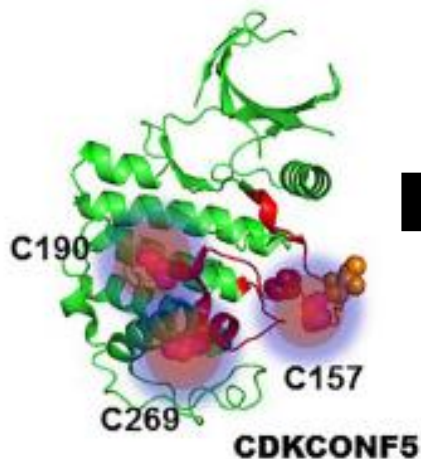
Orally bioavailable



SCREENING FOR ALLOSTERIC INHIBITORS OF CDK5



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Screen 1 -640 cpds



**5 hits (enhancers)
(1/5 autofluorescent)
9 quenchers**

Screen 2 -640 cpds



**17 hits (enhancers)
8 quenchers**

Screen 3 -221 cpds



**Hits
Only quenchers**

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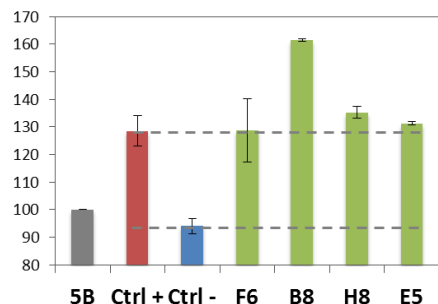
Library 3 – Institut des Biomolécules Max Mousseron, Montpellier

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CHARACTERIZATION OF HITS

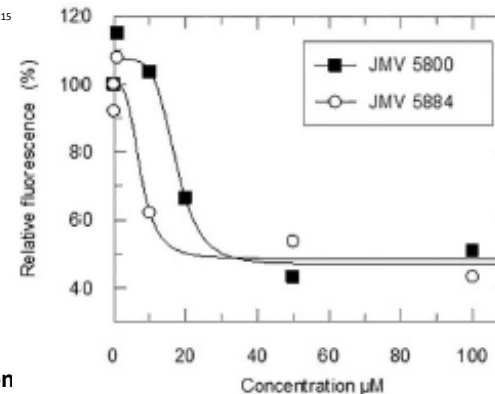
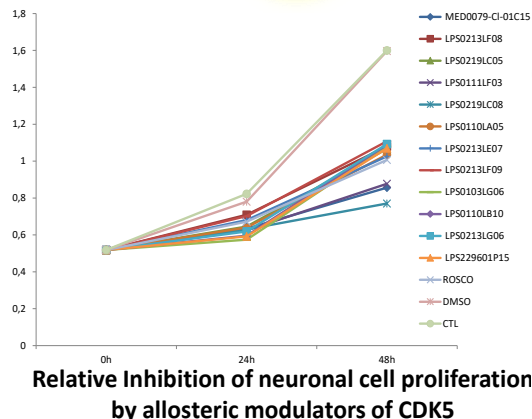
HITS

Hits: potential allosteric inhibitors



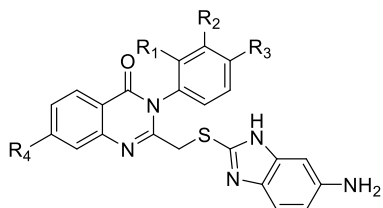
Fluorescence-based identification of allosteric modulators (NB Ctrl- is an ATP inhibitor)

PROLIFERATION ASSAYS & KINASE ACTIVITY ASSAYS

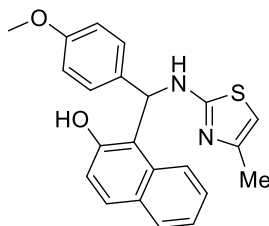


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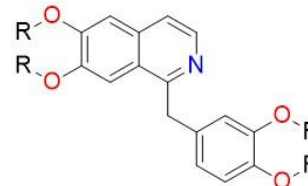
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3) ETHAVERINE PAPAVERINE



Papaverine, R = Me
Ethaverine, R = Et

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ALLOSTERIC INHIBITORS OF CDK5

Identification of Quinazolinone Analogs Targeting CDK5 Kinase Activity and Glioblastoma Cell Proliferation

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Source of compounds
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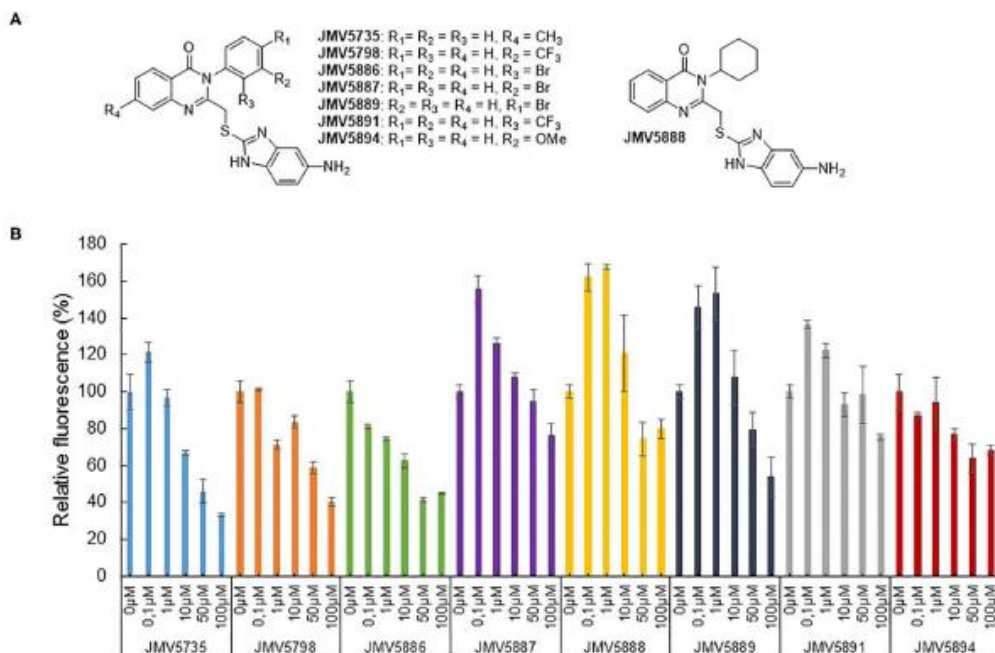
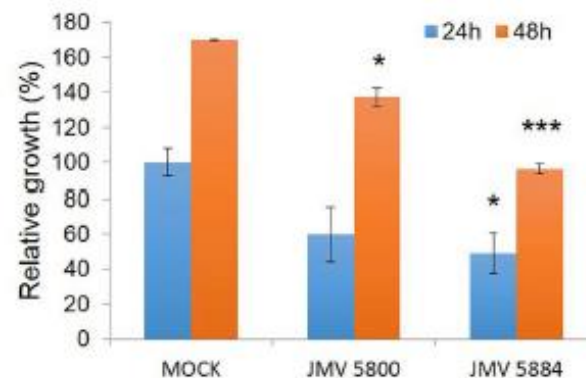
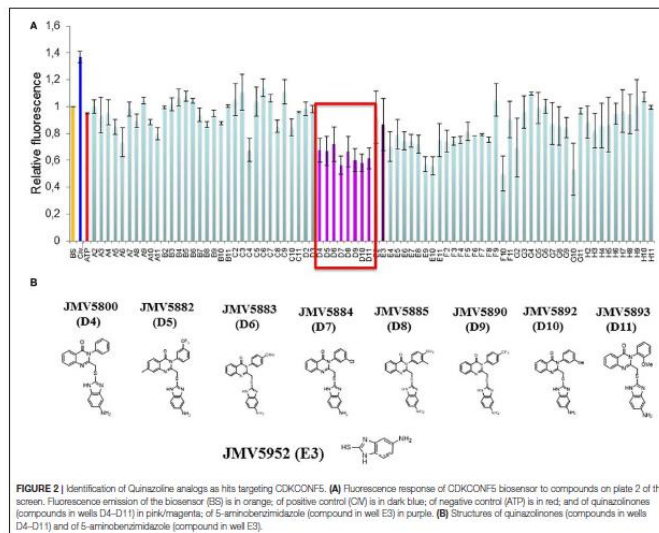
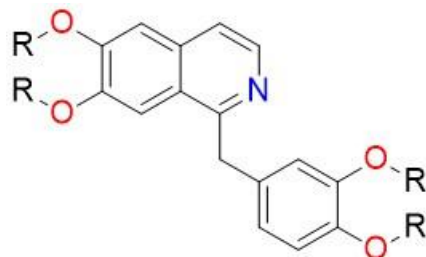


FIGURE 4 | Quinazolinone derivatives inhibit CDK5 activity. **(A)** Quinazolinone derivatives synthesized. **(B)** Concentration-dependent inhibition of CDK5 activity measured with the CDKACT5 biosensor and U87 cell extracts (JMV5735, JMV5798, JMV5886, JMV5887, JMV5888, JMV5889, JMV5891, and JMV5894).

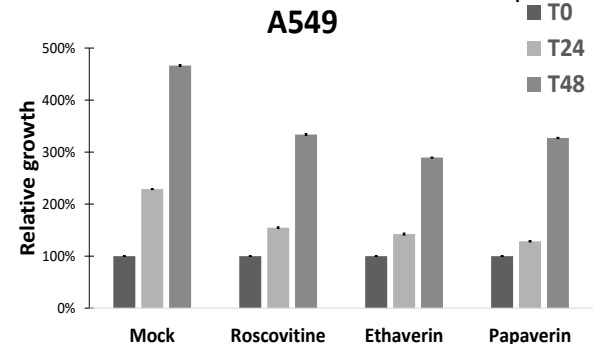
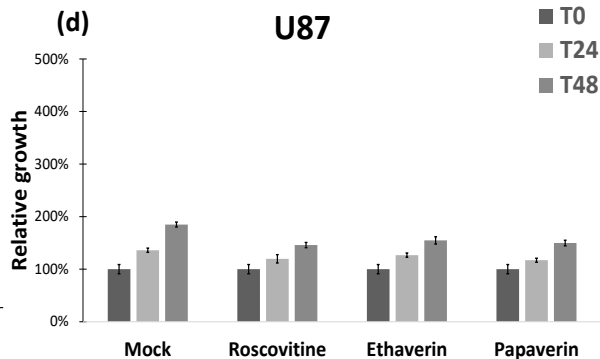
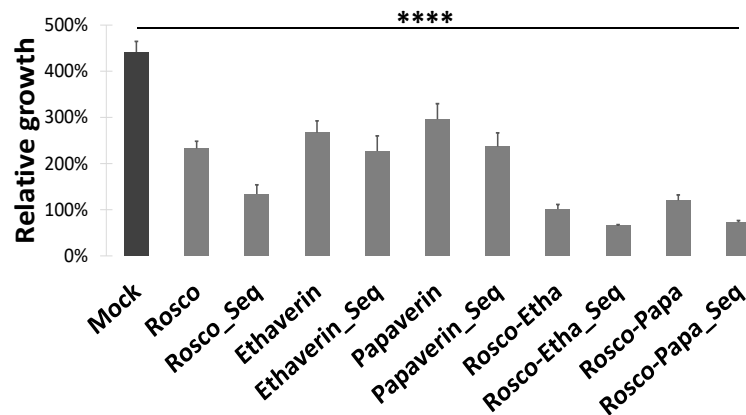


Proliferation assays in U87 cells

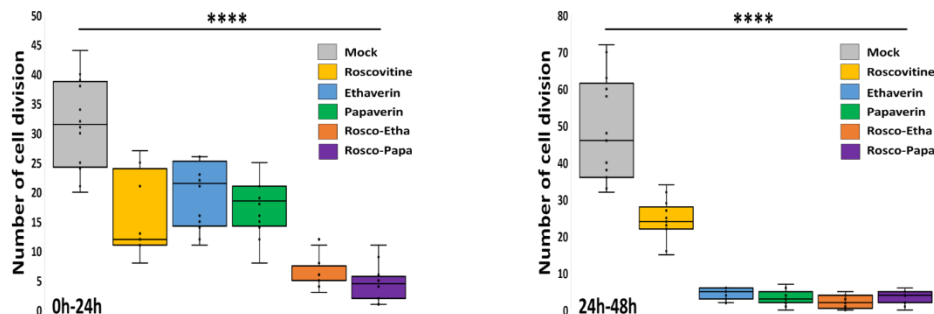
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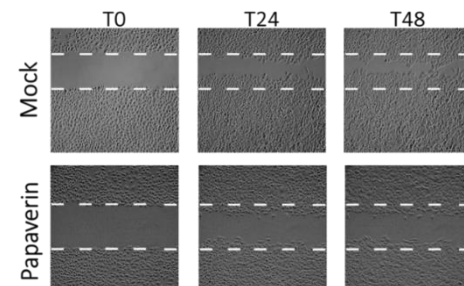
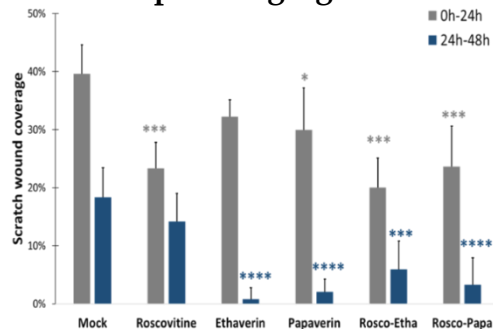
Papaverine, R = Me
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Time-lapse imaging of A549 cells^{T48} reveals differences in cell division



A Time-lapse imaging of A549 cells reveals differences in cell migration



Ethaverine and Papaverine target CDK5 and inhibit lung cancer cell proliferation and migration

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CONCLUDING REMARKS

Fluorescent Biosensors for Drug Discovery

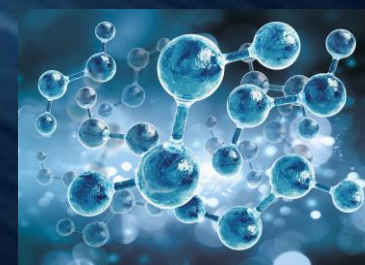
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Spotlight on Fluorescent Biosensors—Tools for Diagnostics and Drug Discovery

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- Sensitive & Selective Tools for HTS
- Hit identification
- Optimization of druggable leads
- Conformational Biosensors: selective identification of allosterics
- Discrimination against ATP comp. drugs
- Original Mechanisms of Action



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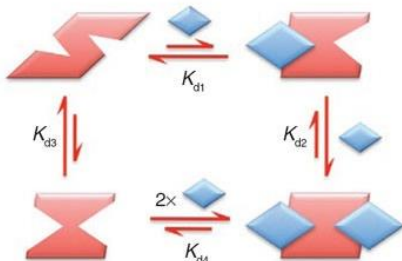


New inhibitors are required to overcome limitations of ATP-pocket inhibitors targeting essential protein / protein interactions or conformational transitions



New and Smart Strategies are required to identify allosteric inhibitors : structure-based rational design or screening with conformational biosensors

New and unexpected Pathways and Functions can be uncovered thanks to allosteric modulators



Allosteric inhibitors can be combined with Orthosteric Inhibitors to achieve cooperative inhibition

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