



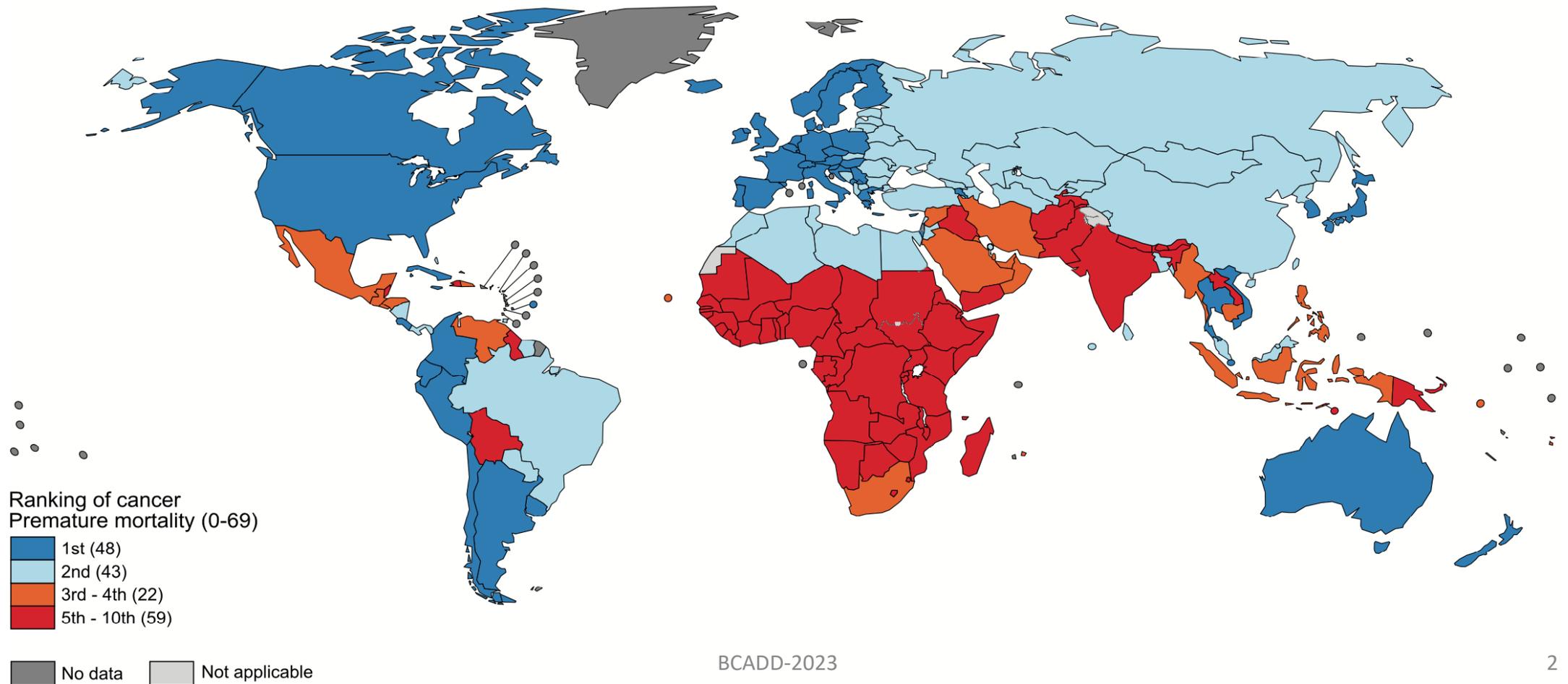
# In silico prediction of cell-lines cytotoxicity of drug-like compounds based on their structural formula

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# Oncological diseases

Bray, F., et al. Global Cancer Statistics 2018: GLOBOCAN Estimates of Incidence and Mortality Worldwide for 36 Cancers in 185 Countries. CA Cancer J Clin, 2018, 68, 394–424



# Cell-line cytotoxicity studies

- More 1000 cell-lines are used in the studies;
- It accelerates the process of drug discovery;
- It estimates the efficacy of drug-candidates against tumor cell-lines;
- It estimates toxicity in normal cell-lines;
- It allows selecting the most effective and safe compounds;
- In spite of introduction the first panel of cell-lines - NCI60 (several dozens years ago) only several hundreds thousand of compounds have been tested.

# Three web-applications for cell-line cytotoxicity prediction

- **CLC-Pred (CLC-Pred 2.0)** - Cell-Line Cytotoxicity Predictor for *in silico* prediction of human cell line cytotoxicity for drug-like compounds;
- **BC CLC-Pred** – Quantitative and qualitative prediction of cytotoxicity for drug-like compounds in 9 Breast Cancer cell-lines;
- **CLC-Pred Synergy** - Prediction of synergistic cytotoxicity of drug pairs in 34 NCI60 cell lines.

# CLC-Pred (Cell-Line Cytotoxicity Predictor) was introduced in 2018

- It used PASS (MNA descriptors and Bayesian-like algorithm) for SAR modeling;
- It predicts 278 tumor and 27 non tumor cell lines with mean accuracy of prediction (AUC LOO CV) more than 0.93;
- **59,882** unique structures;
- More 100 citations.

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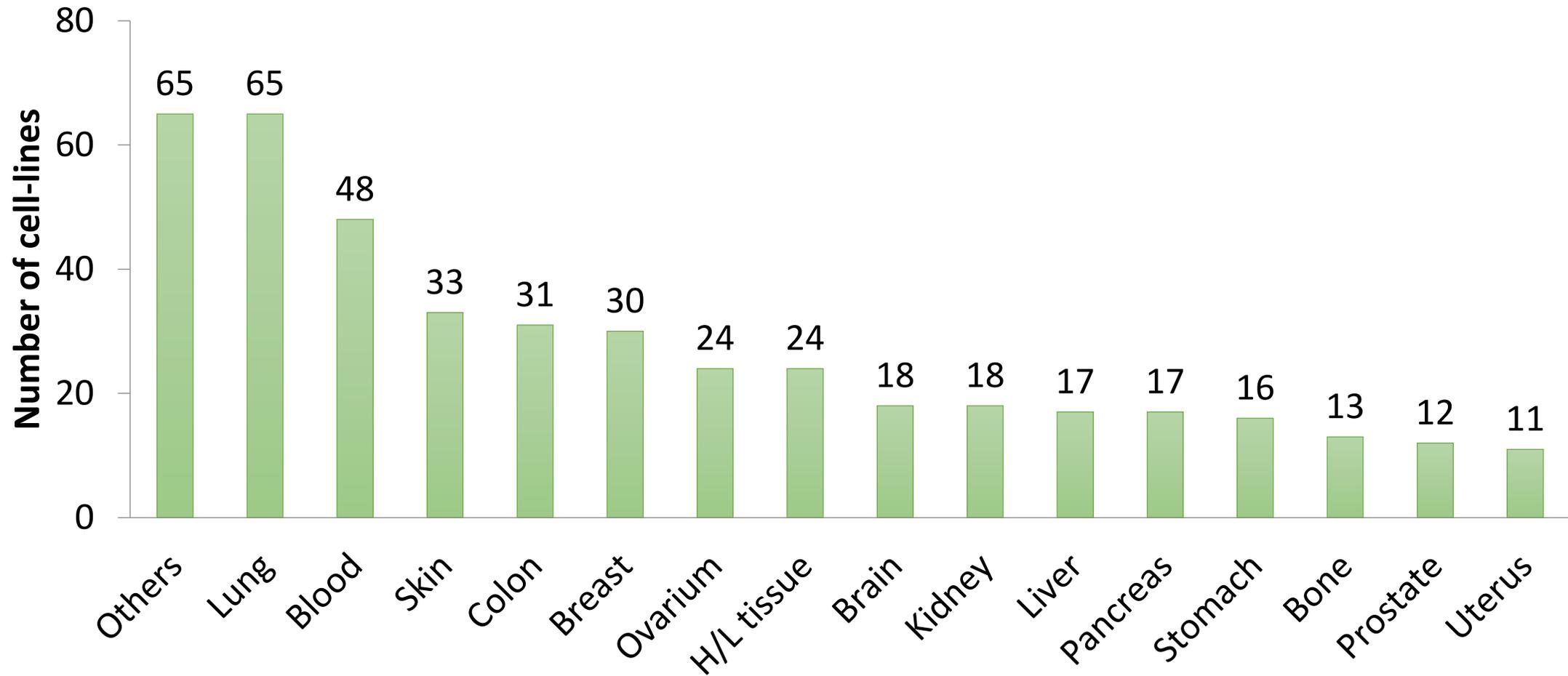
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# ChEMBL (v. 31) and PubChem (February 2022) data cell-line cytotoxicity

- **128,545** unique structures of compounds tested against 1162 cell-lines;
- **379,767** experimental values (IG50, IC50, and % inhibition);
- **438** human cell-lines (391 tumor and 47 non tumor cell-lines) with the accuracy of prediction (AUC LOO CV) higher than 0.8 were selected after the PASS training;
- 10,000 nM (or 50%) is a threshold between active and inactive compounds.

# ChEMBL data.

## Distribution of 438 cell lines by organs and tissue



# Developmental Therapeutics Program (DTP) NCI60 data

- 22,726 unique structures tested against NCI60 cell lines.
- 1,262,878 experimental GI50 values measured by the same protocol.

*<https://dtp.cancer.gov/>*



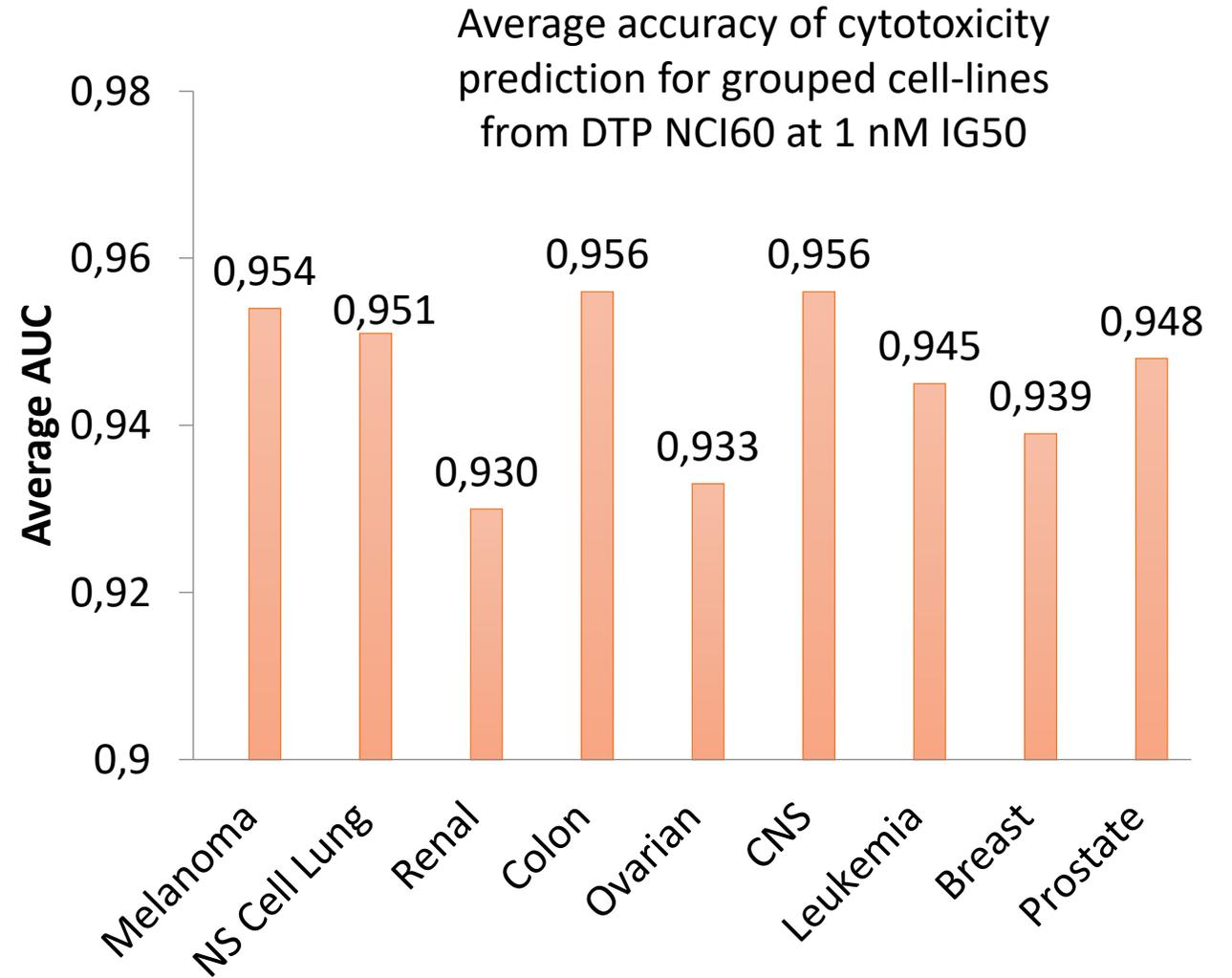
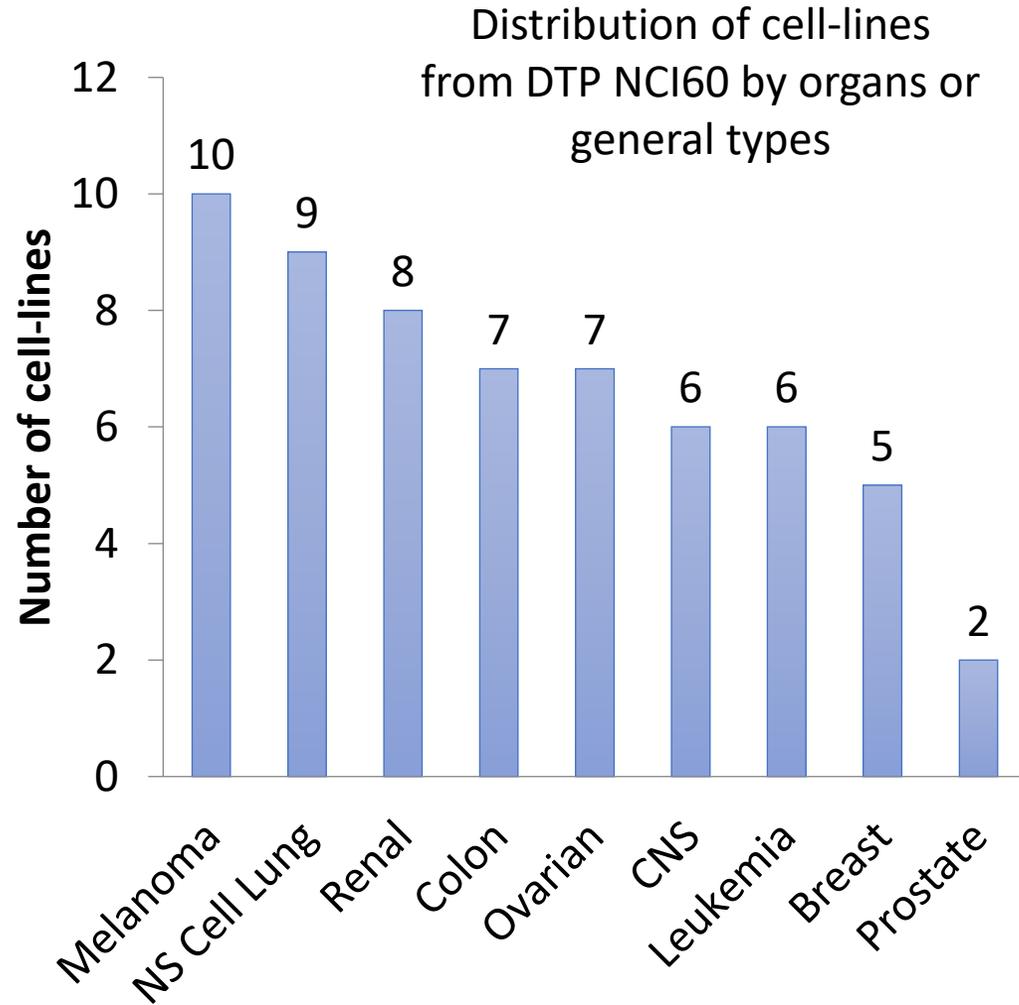
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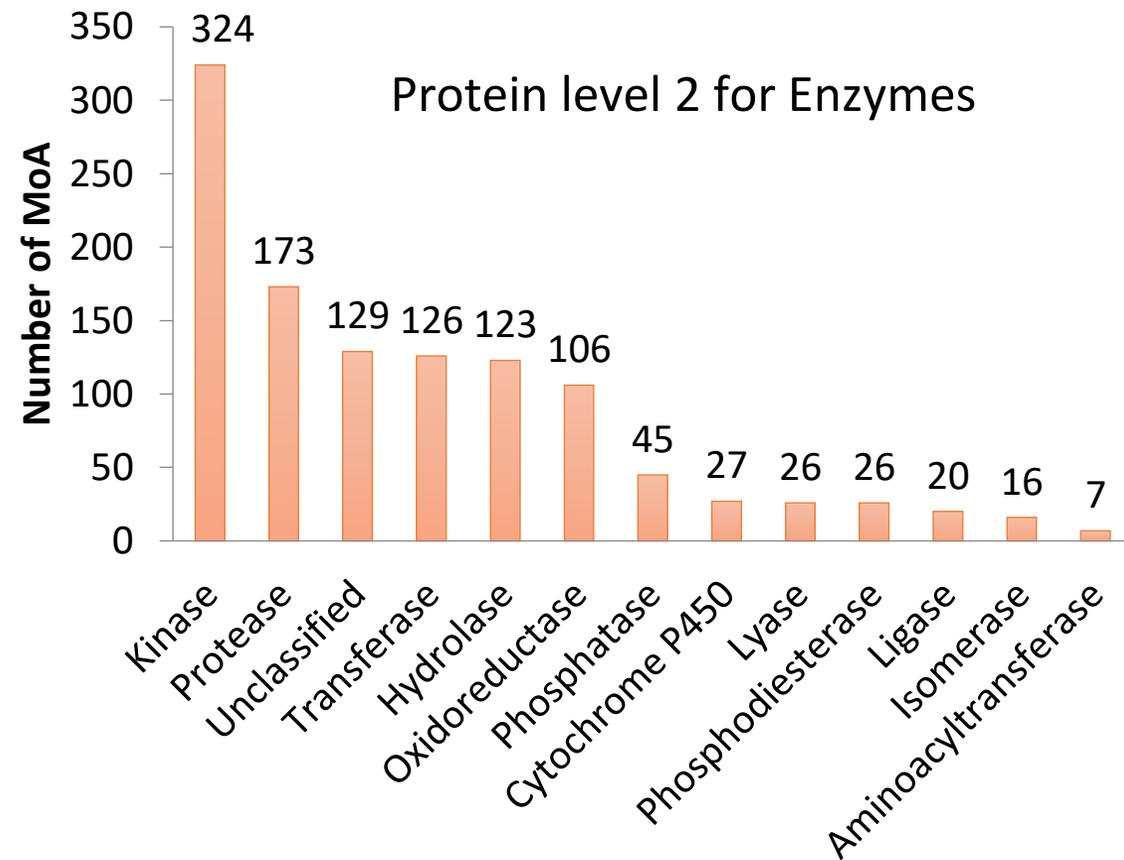
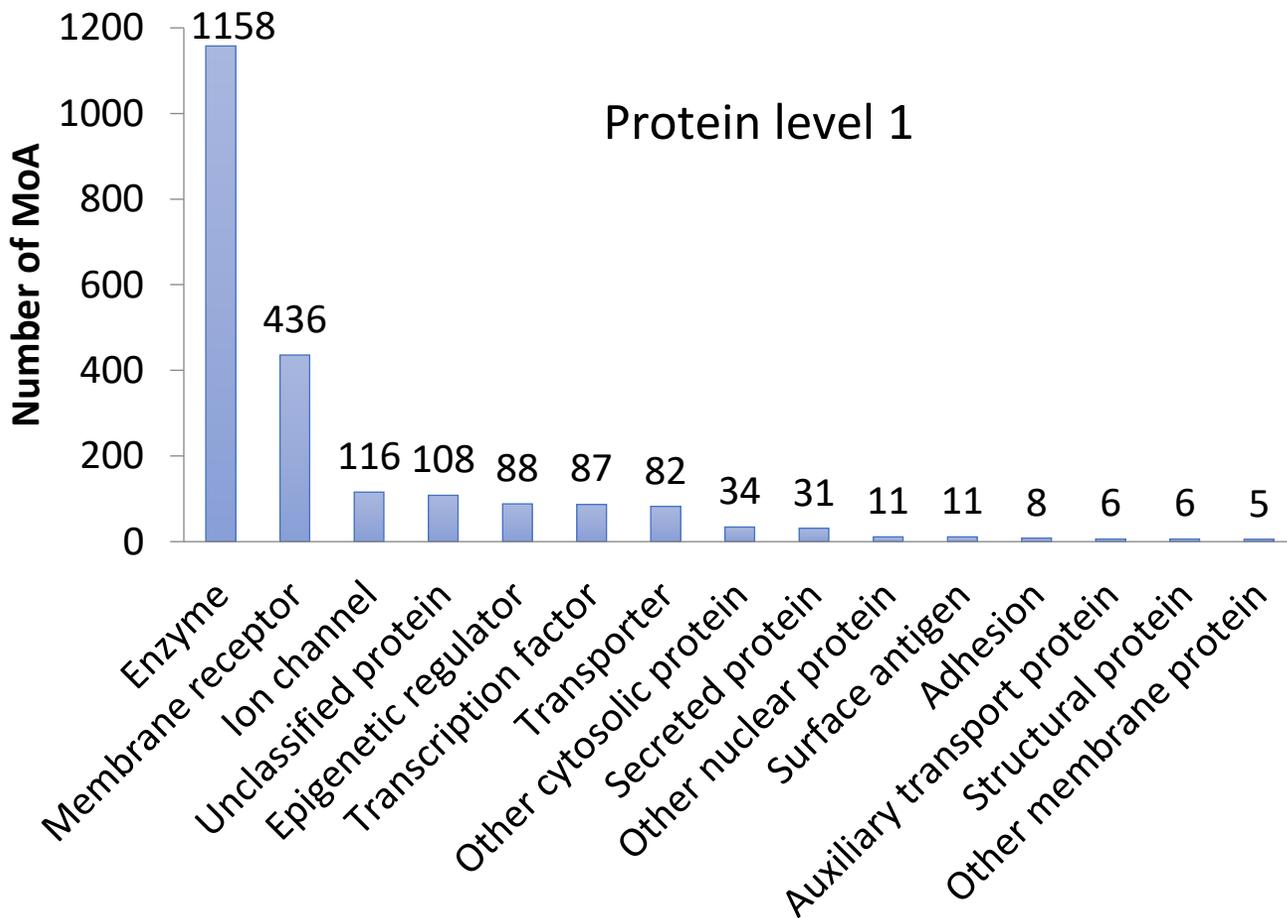
# DTP NCI60 data



# ChEMBL and PubChem data on mechanisms of action

- **656,011** unique structures;
- **957,545** records with experimental values;
- **2,170** molecular mechanisms of action with the accuracy of prediction (AUC LOO CV) higher than 0.8 were selected after the PASS training.

# Number of predicted MoA classifying by ChEMBL protein classification



# CLC-Pred prediction results of general cell line cytotoxicity for erlotinib

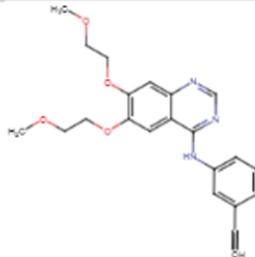
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Cell-Line [TDP NCI-60 \(1nM\)](#) [TDP NCI-60 \(10nM\)](#) [TDP NCI-60 \(100nM\)](#) [Target](#)

Pa	Pi	Cell-line	Description	Tissue/Organ	Type	IAP*
0.825	0.004	A-431	Epidermoid carcinoma	Skin	Carcinoma	0.937
0.714	0.004	NCI-H358	Bronchioalveolar Carcinoma	Lung; Bronchiole	Carcinoma	0.805
0.685	0.005	SK-LU-1	Adenocarcinoma	Lung	Carcinoma	0.810
0.502	0.024	EKVX	Non-small cell lung carcinoma	Lung	Carcinoma	0.841
0.499	0.013	CL97	Lung adenocarcinoma	Lung	Adenocarcinoma	0.872
0.470	0.004	SK-HEP1	Hepatocellular carcinoma	Liver	Carcinoma	0.912
0.461	0.032	ATH-8	HTLV-I-infected human T-cell line	Peripheral blood	Normal	0.964
0.451	0.029	OS-RC-2	Clear cell renal cell carcinoma	Kidney	Carcinoma	0.812

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\* - IAP: Invariant Accuracy of Prediction (equal to AUC value) was calculated by leave-one-out cross-validation procedure

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# CLC-Pred 2.0 results of cytotoxicity prediction based on TDP NCI60 data for erlotinib at (a) at 1 nM, (b) at 10 nM.

(a)

Cell-Line TDP NCI-60 (1nM) TDP NCI-60 (10nM) TDP NCI-60 (100nM) Target

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Pa	Pi	DTP NCI60 cell-line	Tissue of origin	Sex	Epithelial	Histology	Ploidy	p53	IAP*
0.191	0.145	RE:TK-10	Renal	M	yes	Renal Spindle cell carcinoma	4n, Tetraploid (92)	MT	0.912

(b)

Cell-Line TDP NCI-60 (1nM) TDP NCI-60 (10nM) TDP NCI-60 (100nM) Target

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Pa	Pi	DTP NCI60 cell-line	Tissue of origin	Sex	Epithelial	Histology	Ploidy	p53	IAP*
0.361	0.060	RE:TK-10	Renal	M	yes	Renal Spindle cell carcinoma	4n, Tetraploid (92)	MT	0.912
0.264	0.150	RE:UO-31	Renal	F	yes	Renal cell carcinoma-vpd	2n+/-, Near-diploid 46+/- (35-57)	WT	0.854
0.235	0.143	OV:SK-OV-3	Ovarian	F	yes	Adenocarcinoma-vpd BCADD-2023	4n+/-, Near-tetraploid 92+/- (81-103)	NA	0.909

# CLC-Pred 2.0 results of cytotoxicity prediction based on TDP NCI60 data for erlotinib at 100 nM.

Cell-Line    TDP NCI-60 (1nM)    TDP NCI-60 (10nM)    TDP NCI-60 (100nM)    Target

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Pa	Pi	DTP NCI60 cell-line	Tissue of origin	Sex	Epithelial	Histology	Ploidy	p53	IAP*
0.344	0.098	OV:IGROV1	Ovarian	F	yes	Cystadenocarcinoma-pd	4n+/-, Near-tetraploid 92+/- (81-103)	MT	0.871
0.322	0.087	BR:T-47D	Breast	F	yes	infiltrating ductal carcinoma	2n+, Hyperdiploid (47-57)	MT	0.874
0.293	0.189	LC:HOP-92	Non-Small Cell Lung	M	yes	Large cell-ud	4n+/-, Near-tetraploid 92+/- (81-103)	MT	0.829
0.267	0.177	RE:UO-31	Renal	F	yes	Renal cell carcinoma-vpd	2n+/-, Near-diploid 46+/- (35-57)	WT	0.853

# CLC-Pred 2.0 with prediction results of molecular mechanisms of action for erlotinib

Cell-Line TDP NCI-60 (1nM) TDP NCI-60 (10nM) TDP NCI-60 (100nM) Target

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Pa	Pi	Mechanism of action	UniProt	ChEMBL Protein family		IAP*
				Level 1	Level 2	
0.882	0.003	Epidermal growth factor receptor antagonist	P00533	Enzyme	Kinase	0.975
0.710	0.001	Cyclin-G-associated kinase inhibitor	O14976	Enzyme	Kinase	0.968
0.704	0.003	Receptor tyrosine-protein kinase erbB-2 antagonist	P04626	Enzyme	Kinase	0.986
0.623	0.005	Vascular endothelial growth factor receptor 2 antagonist	P35968	Enzyme	Kinase	0.974
0.438	0.044	Bile salt export pump inhibitor	O95342	Transporter	Primary active transporter	0.838
		Platelet-derived growth factor receptor				

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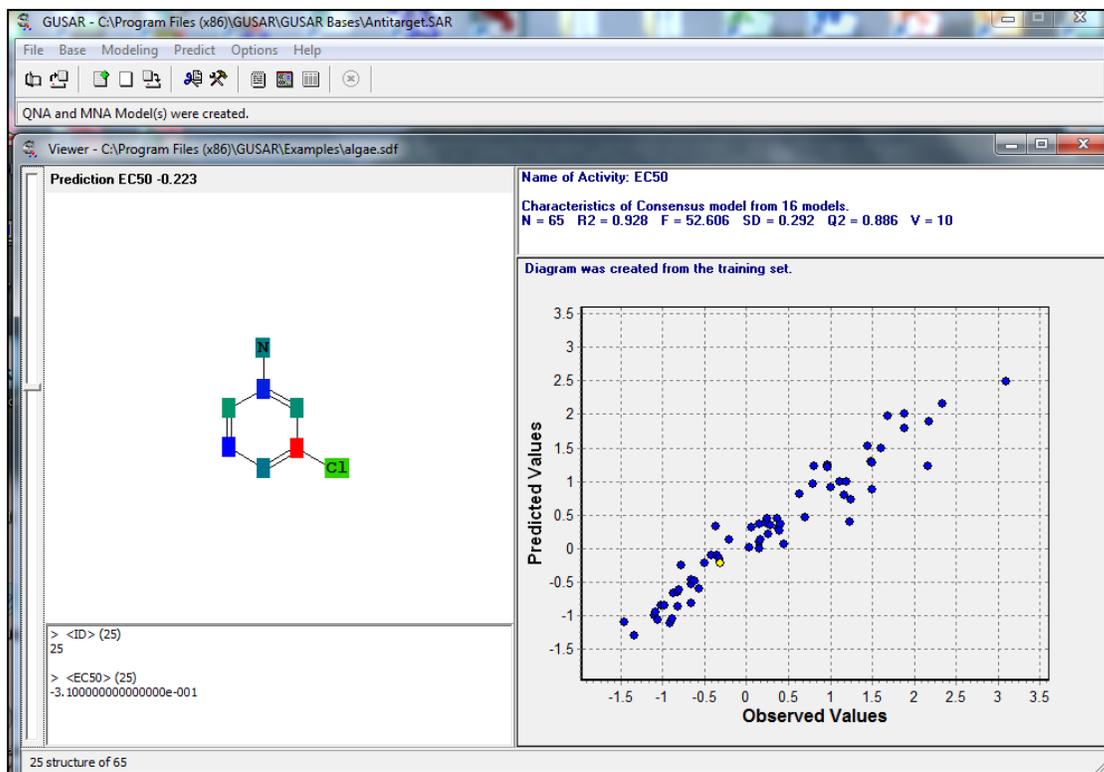
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# ChEMBL data for Breast Cancer cell-lines

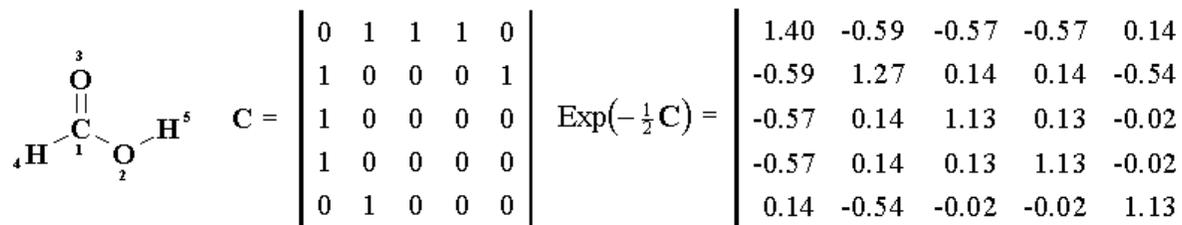
	GI50			IC50		
	pGI50	Active	Not active	pIC50	Active	Not active
<b>T47D</b>	[3.894:10.7]	369	1140	[1.567:10.096]	440	1263
<b>ZR-75-1</b>	[3.99:8.698]	100	83	[4.125:9.619]	73	40
<b>MX1</b>	–	–	–	[3.57:8.72]	118	151
<b>Hs-578T</b>	[3.88:9.95]	105	364	[1.367:8.866]	41	142
<b>MCF7-DOX</b>	–	–	–	[4.0:8.638]	11	27
<b>MCF7</b>	[3.585:11.30]	1635	3348	[0.022:13.69]	5213	19998
<b>Bcap37</b>	–	–	–	[3.05:6.568]	5	267
<b>MCF7R</b>	–	–	–	[4.17:8.79]	67	11
<b>BT-20</b>	[4.167:8.097]	7	21	[1.816:8.523]	32	145

# GUSAR - General Unrestricted Structure-Activity Relationships



Filimonov D.A., et al. (2009). *SAR and QSAR Environ. Res.*, 20 (7-8), 679-709

QNA: Quantitative Neighborhoods of Atoms descriptors



a)

b)

c)

	EA	IP	A	B	P	Q
C	1.263	11.26	6.262	0.316	-0.00218	-0.1820
O	1.461	13.62	7.541	0.287	0.02944	0.3019
O	1.461	13.62	7.541	0.287	0.06199	0.5297
H	0.754	13.60	7.177	0.279	0.05812	0.4706
H	0.754	13.60	7.177	0.279	0.05304	0.3533

(a) structural formula; d)

(b) connectivity matrix;

(c) exponent of the connectivity matrix;

(d) electron affinities (EA), ionization potentials (IP), parameters A and B, P and Q values for each of the atoms of *formic acid* molecule.

# Characteristics of (Q)SAR models created by GUSAR

Name		QSAR				SAR			
		N	R <sup>2</sup>	Q <sup>2</sup>	SD	N	Sens	Spec	Bal.Acc.
T47D	GI50	1497	0.711	0.613	0.570	1497	0.853	0.865	0.859
	IC50	1683	0.767	0.673	0.562	1684	0.835	0.819	0.827
ZR-75-1	GI50	183	0.804	0.723	0.462	183	0.890	0.892	0.891
	IC50	113	0.784	0.719	0.673	113	0.904	0.875	0.890
MX-1	IC50	268	0.856	0.786	0.457	268	0.863	0.841	0.852
Hs-578T	GI50	–	–	–	–	466	0.825	0.826	0.826
	IC50	–	–	–	–	177	0.744	0.891	0.817
MCF7-DOX	IC50	38	0.904	0.825	0.617	38	1.000	0.963	0.981
MCF7	GI50	4953	0.640	0.581	0.749	4953	0.866	0.809	0.837
	IC50	25077	0.521	0.496	0.812	25077	0.771	0.821	0.796
Bcap37	IC50	–	–	–	–	272	1.000	0.974	0.987
MCF7R	IC50	78	0.797	0.732	0.567	78	1.000	0.909	0.955
BT-20	GI50	28	0.912	0.821	0.464	28	1.000	1.000	1.000
	IC50	–	–	–	–	176	0.844	0.854	0.849

# Accuracy of prediction during 5-fold cross-validation

Name		N	QSAR		SAR
			R <sup>2</sup>	RMSE	Bal.Accuracy
T47D	GI50	1497	0.498	0.638	0.82
	IC50	1683	0.518	0.674	0.77
ZR-75-1	GI50	183	0.56	0.576	0.86
	IC50	113	0.655	0.733	0.82
MX-1	IC50	268	0.627	0.587	0.80
Hs-578T	GI50	466	0.357	0.702	0.76
	IC50	177	0.046	1.336	0.76
MCF7-DOX	IC50	38	0.557	0.954	0.92
MCF7	GI50	4953	0.588	0.738	0.84
	IC50	25077	0.671	0.649	0.88
Bcap37	IC50	272	0.387	0.336	0.97
MCF7R	IC50	78	0.672	0.625	0.98
BT-20	GI50	28	0.641	0.612	0.85
	IC50	176	0.287	1.122	0.77

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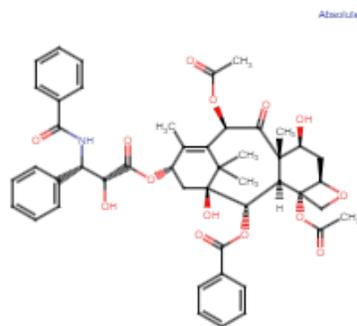
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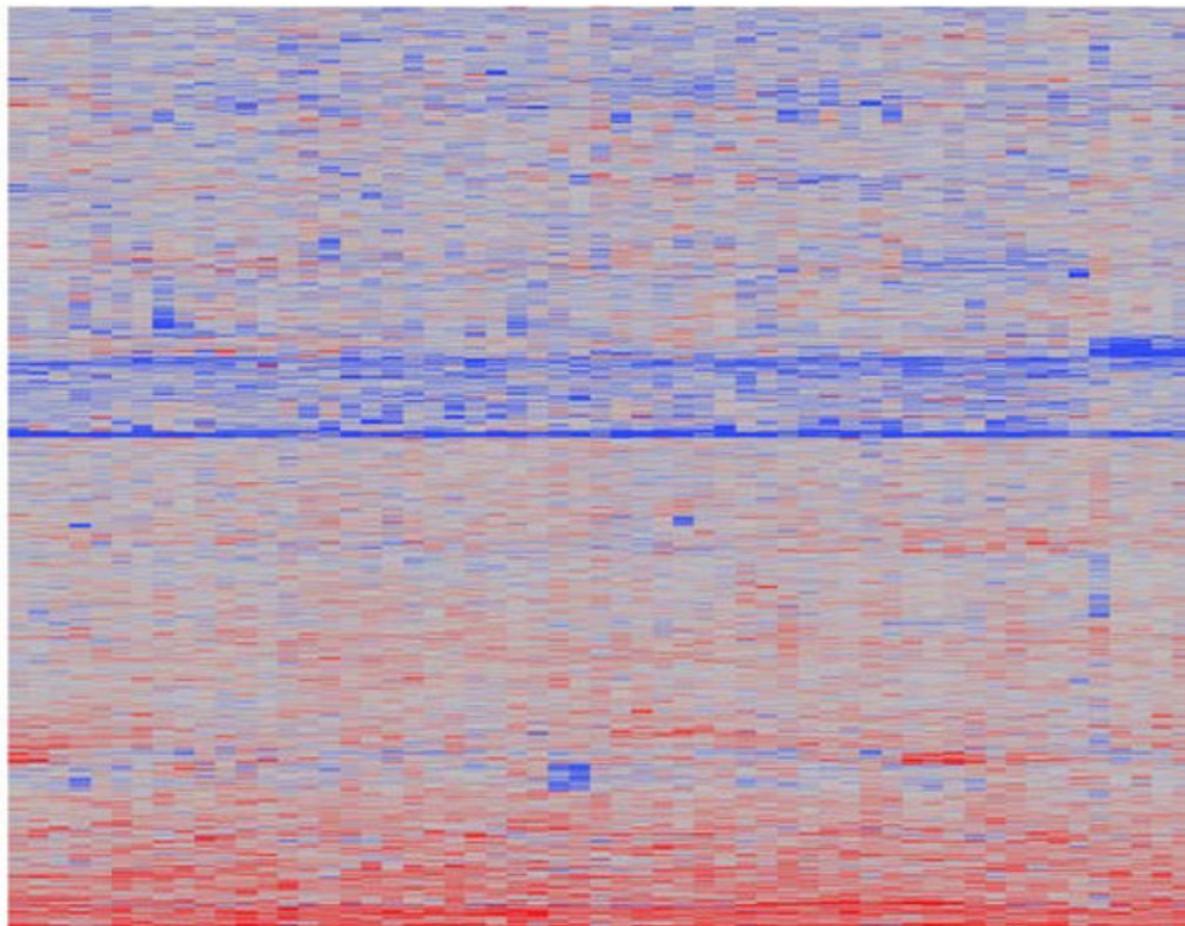
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Bcap37 (IC50) Class	active	in AD
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BT-20 (IC50) Class	active	in AD
BT-20 (pGI50)	5.3027	in AD
Hs-578T (GI50) Class	active	in AD
Hs-578T (IC50) Class	active	in AD
MCF7 (GI50) Class	active	in AD
MCF7 (IC50) Class	active	in AD
MCF7 (pGI50)	7.7512	in AD

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# NCI ALMANAC database

Drug Combinations



- CCRF-CEM
- MOLT-4
- SR
- HL-60(TB)
- HOP-62
- SF-268
- SF-295
- SK-MEL-5
- UACC-62
- K-562
- TK-10
- HS-578T
- MDA-MB-468
- EKVX
- OVCAR-4
- NCI-H322M
- NCI-H226
- SK-MEL-28
- HCT-15
- UACC-257
- NCI-H522
- BT-549
- OVCAR-5
- OVCAR-8
- M14
- MDA-MB-435
- HCC-2998
- SW-620
- NCI/ADR-RES
- HOP-92
- NCI-H23
- ACHN
- CAKI-1
- SK-OV-3
- 786-0
- RPMI 8226
- HT29
- MCF7
- SNB-19
- SN12C
- DU-145
- RXF 393
- MDA-MB-231
- A549/ATCC
- NCI-H460
- HCT-116
- COLO 205
- MALME-3M
- T-47D
- IGROV1
- PC-3
- UO-31
- KM12
- SF-539
- A498
- U251
- OVCAR-3

**In vitro testing begins June 2011**  
 NCI ALMANAC  
 In vitro combination drug screen  
 FDA-approved oncology drugs  
 5,232 drug pairs  
 each tested in 60 cell lines  
 over 300,000 assays  
 each assay 15 data points  
 nearly 3 million total data points

**Data analysis**  
 Develop combo score  
 Interrogate prospective biomarkers  
 Molecular characterization of NCI-60  
 DNA alterations  
 RNA expression  
 Protein expression/modification  
 microRNA expression

**Additional testing**  
 Select active combinations for xenograft testing  
 Develop pharmacodynamic markers  
 Assay in tumors from combo-treated mice  
 Potential to assay patient samples

**Clinical testing: 1st combo patient enrolls October 2014**  
 Bortezomib + Clofarabine NCT02211755  
 Paclitaxel + Nilotinib NCT02379416

Holbeck, S.L., et al. The National Cancer Institute ALMANAC: A Comprehensive Screening Resource for the Detection of Anticancer Drug Pairs with Enhanced Therapeutic Activity. *Cancer Res.* 2017, 77(13), 3564-3576

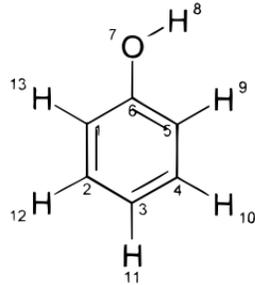
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# MNA Descriptors

## In PASS

**MNA** (Multilevel Neighborhoods of Atoms)

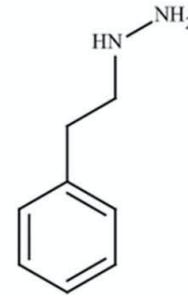


Phenol as a set of MNA descriptors of zero, first and second levels (MNA/0, MNA/1, MNA/2)

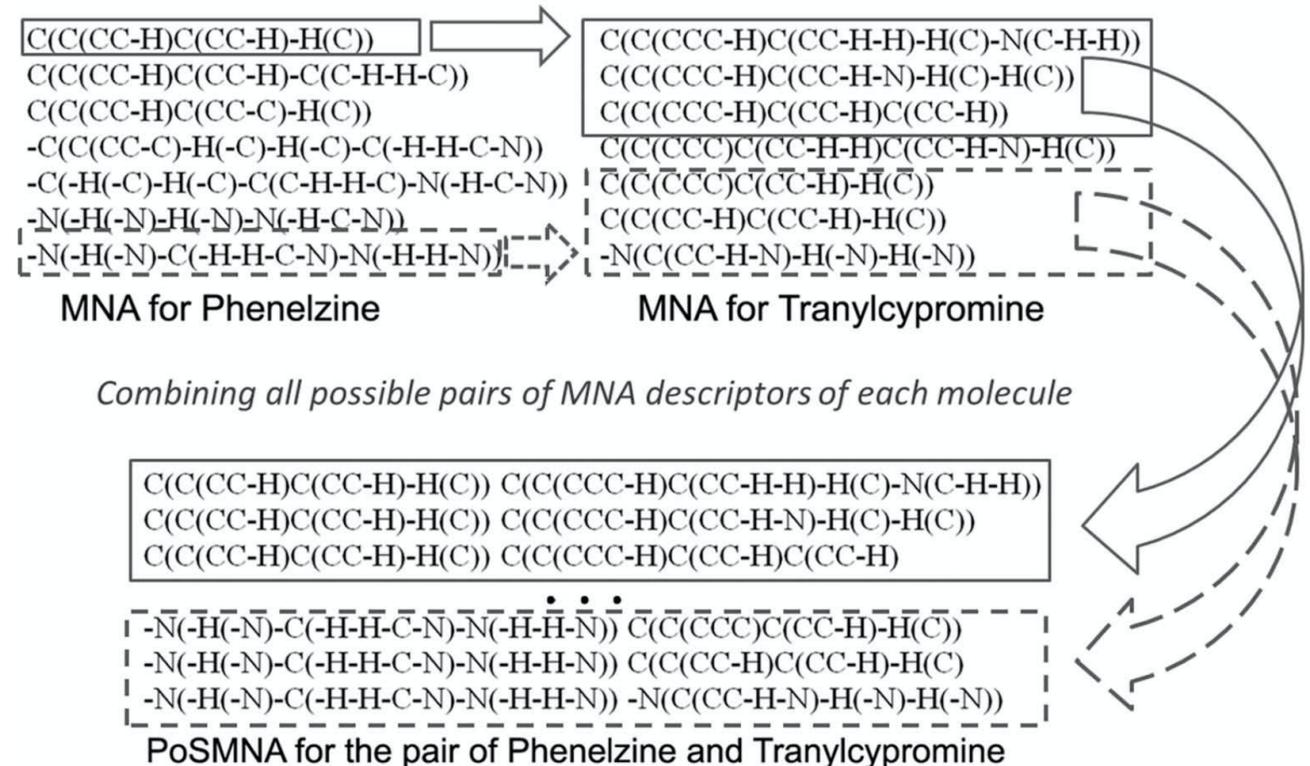
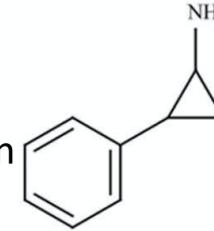
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1	C	C(CC-H)	C(C(CC-H)C(CC-O)-H(C))
2	C	C(CC-H)	C(C(CC-H)C(CC-H)-H(C))
3	C	C(CC-H)	C(C(CC-H)C(CC-H)-H(C))
4	C	C(CC-H)	C(C(CC-H)C(CC-H)-H(C))
5	C	C(CC-H)	C(C(CC-H)C(CC-O)-H(C))
6	C	C(CC-O)	C(C(CC-H)C(CC-H)-O(C-H))
7	-O	-O(C-H)	-O(C(CC-O)-H(-O))
8	-H	-H(-O)	-H(-O(C-H))
9	-H	-H(C)	-H(C(CC-H))
10	-H	-H(C)	-H(C(CC-H))
11	-H	-H(C)	-H(C(CC-H))
12	-H	-H(C)	-H(C(CC-H))
13	-H	-H(C)	-H(C(CC-H))

Filimonov, D., et al. *Chemical Similarity Assessment through Multilevel Neighborhoods of Atoms: Definition and Comparison with the Other Descriptors*. *J. Chem. Inf. Comput. Sci.*, 1999, 39, 666-670.

## PoSMNA (Pair of Substances MNA) in PASS DDI



MNA/2 descriptors for the combination of phenelzine and



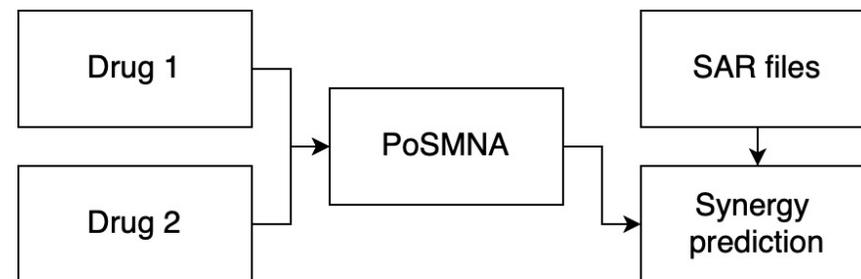
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# Accuracy of prediction calculated by LOO CV compounds out strategy

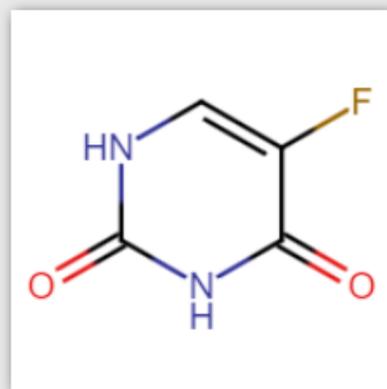
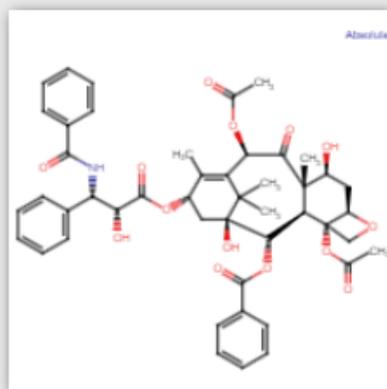
Number of synergistic drug pairs			Number of synergistic drug pairs		
AUC	Activity Type		AUC	Activity Type	
0.713	Breast Cancer_BT-549	110	0.803	Melanoma_MDA-MB-435	126
0.774	Breast Cancer_HS 578T	113	0.726	Melanoma_SK-MEL-5	191
0.739	CNS Cancer_SF-268	77	0.767	Melanoma_UACC-257	92
0.723	CNS Cancer_SF-539	164	0.701	Melanoma_UACC-62	117
0.750	CNS Cancer_SNB-75	99	0.741	Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer_EKVX	81
0.754	CNS Cancer_U251	98	0.741	Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer_NCI-H226	78
0.856	Colon Cancer_COLO 205	130	0.703	Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer_NCI-H23	119
0.817	Colon Cancer_HCC-2998	101	0.717	Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer_NCI-H322M	74
0.727	Colon Cancer_HCT-116	107	0.763	Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer_NCI-H522	131
0.826	Colon Cancer_HCT-15	84	0.711	Ovarian Cancer_IGROV1	58
0.781	Colon Cancer_HT29	108	0.800	Ovarian Cancer_OVCAR-3	126
0.768	Colon Cancer_KM12	73	0.708	Ovarian Cancer_OVCAR-5	70
0.747	Colon Cancer_SW-620	91	0.737	Ovarian Cancer_OVCAR-8	118
0.799	Leukemia_K-562	165	0.731	Prostate Cancer_DU-145	142
0.735	Leukemia_RPMI-8226	288	0.814	Prostate Cancer_PC-3	65
0.760	Melanoma_LOX IMVI	107	0.737	Renal Cancer_RXF 393	129
0.757	Melanoma_M14	105	0.713	Renal Cancer_UO-31	75

# CLC-Pred synergy:

<http://www.way2drug.com/clc-pred-syn/>



CLC-Pred Synergy – Prediction of synergistic cytotoxicity of drug pairs on 34 NCI60 cell lines. The user guide can be found in the section "About".



Drugs name Paclitaxel

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Drugs name Fluorouracil

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PREDICT SYNERGY

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Pa	Pi	Cell-line synergy	Tissue of origin	Histology	AUC LOO CV*
0.744	0.026	HS_578T	Breast	Carcinosarcoma	0.774
0.406	0.303	H322M	Lung	Carcinoma	0.717
0.355	0.126	MDA-MB-435	Breast	Melanoma	0.803

Pa	Pi	Cell-line synergy	Tissue of origin	Histology	AUC LOO CV*
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AUC LOO CV\* - the accuracy of prediction (AUC) calculated by leave-one-out compound out (excluded all drug pairs with any drug from the pair) cross validation.

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