

# Cheminformatics of Drug-like Small Molecules

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## Cheminformatics Basics

- Structure Formats
- Similarity Searching
- Physicochemical Properties

## Hands-on Section

- Compound Import/Export
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- Compound Structure Depictions
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# Computations on Small Molecule Structures

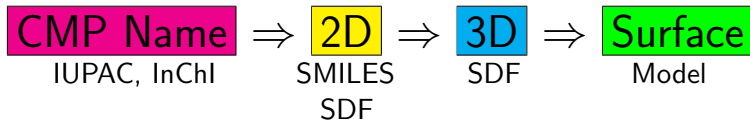
## Requirements

- Computer readable representations of chemical structures

## Challenges

- Compounds
  - Several connection types, many branch points and/or ring closures
- DNA/protein sequences
  - Linear strings, one connection type, usually no branch points or ring closures

# Utility of Structure Formats

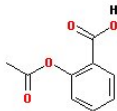


- Nomenclature to uniquely represent chemicals
- Computer representation and manipulation
- Format interconversions
- Representation of stereochemistry and 3D formats

# Most Commonly Used Structure Formats

- Chemical nomenclature
  - Trivial names: aspirin, acetylsalicylic acid
  - IUPAC: 2-acetoxybenzoic acid
  - InChI: 1.12Beta/C9H8O4/c1-6(10)13-8-5-3-2-4-7(8)9(11)12/h1H3,2-5H,(H,11,12)
- Line notations
  - SMILES: CC(=O)Oc1ccccc1C(=O)O
  - Other: WLN, ROSDAL, SLN, etc.
- Connection tables hold 3D & annotation information
  - SDF (structure definition file)
  - MDL Molfile
  - Other: PDB, CML, etc.

Aspirin



# Connection Table Formats: SDF and Mol

Molfile: header block and connection table (a, b)

SDfile: extension of Molfile (a, b, c)

## (a) Header block

(a1) CMP name or blank line

(a2) software, date, 2/3D, ...

(a3) blank line

## (b) Connection table (CT)

(b1) counts line: n atoms, n bonds, chiral, ...

(b2) atom block: x,y,z coordinates, atoms, mass diff., charge, ...  
2D representation when z coordinates all zero

(b3) bond block: atom 1, atom 2, bond type, stereo specs, ...

(b4) CT delimiter

## (c) Annotation data

(c1) <data header>

(c2) data

(c3) blank line

(c4) continues like c1-3

(c5) SDF delimiter (\$\$\$\$)



# Example: SDF Format

```
a1      NSC85228 ethanol 1
a2      APtclserve02230600142D 0 0.00000 0.00000NCI NS
a3
b1      9 8 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0999 V2000
b2      2.8660 -0.250 0.0000 O 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
b2      3.7321 0.2500 0.0000 C 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
b2      4.5981 -0.250 0.0000 C 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
b2      2.3291 0.0600 0.0000 H 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
b2      4.1306 0.7249 0.0000 H 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
b2      3.3335 0.7249 0.0000 H 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
b2      4.2881 -0.786 0.0000 H 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
b2      5.1350 -0.560 0.0000 H 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
b2      4.9081 0.2869 0.0000 H 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
b3      1 2 1 0 0 0 0
b3      2 3 1 0 0 0 0
b3      1 4 1 0 0 0 0
b3      2 5 1 0 0 0 0
b3      2 6 1 0 0 0 0
b3      3 7 1 0 0 0 0
b3      3 8 1 0 0 0 0
b3      3 9 1 0 0 0 0
b4      M END
c1      >< NSC >
c2      85228
c4      >< CAS >
c4      64-17-5
c4      >< SMILES >
c4      CCD
c5      $$$$
```

# SMILES

## SMILES: Simplified Molecular Input Line Entry System

- Tutorial: <http://www.daylight.com/smiles/smiles-intro.html>
- Online rendering: <http://www.daylight.com/daycgi/depict>
- Non-canonical SMILES for manual entry
- Canonical SMILES needs to be computer generated
- Canonicalization: single ('correct') representation of several possibilities
  - OCC - ethanol
  - CCO - ethanol
- Canonical format important for databases

# SMILES Rules 1

C

Methane: CH<sub>4</sub>. Hydrogens are added according to **valence rules**.

N-C=O

Formamide. **Single '-', double '=', triple '#' and aromatic bond ':'**.

NC=O

Formamide. **Bonds do not need to be specified in unambiguous cases.**

NC(CO)=O

2-hydroxyacetamide. Side-chains of **branch points** in parentheses. The leftmost atom inside parentheses is attached to the atom to the left of the parentheses.

C1CCNCC1

Piperidine. If there is a **ring**, a matching pair of digits means that the two atoms to the left of the digits are bonded.

## SMILES Rules 2

c1ccccc1O

Phenol. **Aromatic atoms** are represented as lowercase letters. Note also that the bonds default to aromatic and single, as appropriate.

[Pb]

Lead. The typical organic atoms, B, C, N, O, P, S, F, Cl, Br, are drawn without brackets. All **other elements** must have square brackets, and all their bonds including hydrogens must be specified.

[OH-]

**Unusual valence and charge** are represented in square brackets '[]'.

c1ccccc1[N+](=O)[O-]

Nitrobenzene. Another example using square brackets to be specific about **charge location**.

## SMILES Rules 3

[Na+].[O-]c1ccccc1

Sodium phenoxide. The '.' (period or "dot") is used to represent **disconnections**.

[13CH4]

**Isotopes** are specified in brackets by prefixing the desired integral atomic mass. Connected hydrogens must be specified in brackets.

F/C=C/F

Trans-difluoroethene. **Cis/trans configurations** around double bonds are specified by slashes: 'C/C=C\C' (cis) and 'C/C=C/C' (trans).

N[C@@H](C)C(=O)O

L-alanine (from N, H-methyl-carboxy appear clockwise). **Chirality** is specified with '@' and '@@'. '@' means anti-clockwise and '@@' means clockwise.

N[C@H](C)C(=O)O

D-alanine (from N, H-methyl-carboxy appear anti-clockwise).

# SMARTS Is a Query Expression System for SMILES

## SMARTS: SMiles ARbitrary Target Specification

- Motivation: superset of SMILES to express molecular patterns
- Regular expression system for molecules represented in SMILES format

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# Small Molecule Similarity Concepts

## How to define similarities between compounds?

- Identical structure search
- Substructure and superstructure searches
- 2D fragment similarity searching
- 3D similarity searches (e.g. pharmacophore searching)
- Graph-based approaches (e.g. maximum common substructure: MCS)
- Many additional methods



# 2D Fragment Similarity Search Methods

## Involve two major steps

- Encode structural descriptors from compounds
  - e.g. structural keys, fingerprints, atom pairs
- Similarity measure for encoded descriptors
  - e.g. Tanimoto coefficient, Euclidean

# Structural Keys

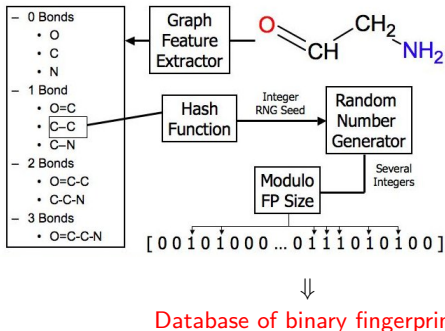
- Structural descriptors are based on lookup library of known "functional" substructures.
- Pre-compute presence of relevant substructures up front and encode them in bit-vector.
- Example of structural keys:
  - Presence of atoms (C, N, O, S, Cl, Br, etc.)
  - Ring systems
  - Aromatic, Phenol, Alcohol, Amine, Acid, Ester, ...
- Disadvantages:
  - Lookup library tends to be incomplete.
  - Sparsely populated vectors.

# Fingerprints

- Fingerprints are generated directly from the molecule itself and not from a reference set of substructures.
- The algorithm examines each molecule and generates the following patterns:
  - One for each atom.
  - One representing each atom and its nearest neighbors (plus the bonds that join them).
  - One representing each group of atoms and bonds connected by paths up to 2, 3, 4, ... bonds long.
  - For example, the molecule OC=CN would generate the following patterns:
    - 0-bond paths: C, O, N
    - 1-bond paths: OC, C=C, CN
    - 2-bond paths: OC=C, C=CN
    - 3-bond paths: OC=CN,

# Fingerprints

- No pre-defined patterns.
- Record/counts presence or absence of structural fragments.
- Patterns are often encoded into fixed length (binary) vectors for fast similarity searching.
- Abstract, hard to traceback meaning of individual bits.

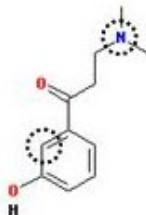


# Atom Pair and Atom Sequence Similarity Searching

- Like fingerprints atom pairs are generated directly from the molecule itself and not from a reference set of substructures (Chen and Reynolds, 2002).
- Atom pairs are defined by:
  - the length of the shortest bond path between two atoms,
  - while the terminal atoms in this path are described by:
    - their element type
    - their number of pi electrons
    - their number of non-hydrogen neighbors
  - Example: C12N03\_06

- Atom sequences:
  - similar to atom pairs, but all atoms in bond path are described.
  - Example: C12C13C13C02C02N03
- Conversion of atom pairs/sequences to binary vectors of constant length is usually not performed, but would be possible.

Example



# Similarity Coefficients

- 1 Euclidean

$$\sqrt{\frac{c + d}{a + b + c + d}} \quad (1)$$

- 2 Tanimoto coefficient

$$\frac{c}{a + b + c} \quad (2)$$

- 3 Simpson coefficient

$$\frac{c}{\min((a + c), (b + c))} \quad (3)$$

- 4 Tversky index

$$\frac{c}{\alpha * a + \beta * b + c} \quad (4)$$

- 5 Many more similarity coefficients (Holliday et al., 2003)

## Legend for variables:

*a*: count of features in CMP A but not in CMP B

*b*: count of features in CMP B but not in CMP A

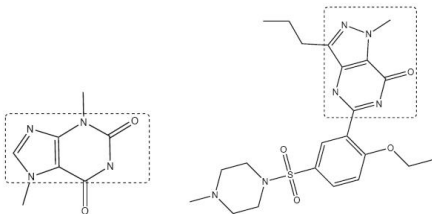
*c*: count of features in both CMP A and CMP B

*d*: count of features absent in CMP A and CMP B

$\alpha$  and  $\beta$ : weighting variables

# MCS-based Similarity Concepts

- Graph-based algorithms that find maximum common substructure (MCS) shared among two molecules
- Flexible MCS matching algorithm implemented in *fmcsR* [Link](#) allows bond and atom mismatches.
- Major advantage: identification of local similarities



# Alternatives: 3D Searches & Docking

## Conformer Predictions

Prediction of the most stable conformers in 3D space.

## 3D Searches

Uses shape and topological indices to query a 3D conformer database.

## 3D Substructure searches

Related to pharmacophore searches

## Docking

Computational modeling of the possible binding modes of a ligand to a target site.



# Important Compound Databases

- PubChem
- DrugBank
- ChemBank
- ChEMBL
- Many more

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# Compound Descriptors

## Structural descriptors

- Atom pairs, fingerprints
- many others

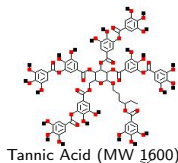
## Property descriptors

- Formula
- Molecular weight
- Octanol/Water partition coefficient (logP)
- Hydrogen Bond Acceptors
- Hydrogen Bond Donors
- Acidic groups
- Rotatable bonds
- over 300-3000 additional ones

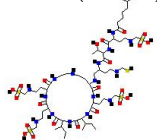
# Clustering Methods

- Principal component analysis (PCA)
  - Reduction technique of multivariate data to principal components to identify hidden variances
- Multidimensional scaling
  - Displays distance matrix of objects in spacial plot
- Hierarchical Clustering
  - Iterative joining of items by decreasing similarity
- Jarvis-Patrick Clustering
  - Joins items based on intersects among nearest neighbor vectors
- Binning Clustering
  - Uses similarity cutoff for grouping of items
- Many additional clustering algorithms are being used in this field.

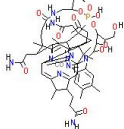
# Example: PCA of Small Molecule Properties



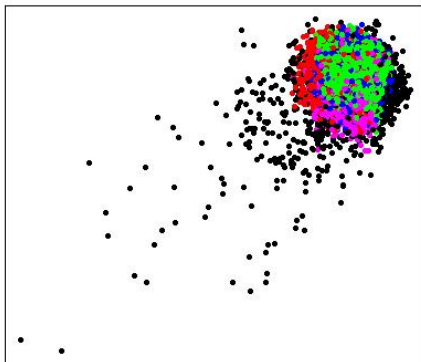
Tannic Acid (MW 1600)



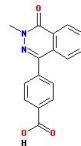
Colistimethate (MW 1400)



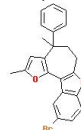
Cobalamine (MW 1100)



Comb1 Comb2 Comb3 Comb4 Bioact



56421 (MW 270)



19737 (MW 390)

# Cheminformatics in R

## Why cheminformatics in R?

- Open source
- Efficient data structures and graphics utilities
- Access to many clustering and machine learning algorithms
- Integration with bioscience packages

## R packages for cheminformatics

- Bioconductor
  - *ChemmineR* [Link](#) (Cao et al., 2008)
  - *eiR* [Link](#)
  - *fmcsR* [Link](#) (Wang et al., 2013)
  - *ChemmineOB* [Link](#): R interface to subcomponents of *OpenBabel*
  - *bioassayR* [Link](#): screening data analysis
  - *ChemMine Tools* [Link](#): web interface to Chemmine utilities (Backman et al., 2011)
- CRAN
  - *rcdk* [Link](#)
  - *rpubchem* [Link](#)

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# Import of SD Files

Download R code [Link](#) for exercises and open in RStudio session

```
> download.file(url="http://faculty.ucr.edu/~tgirke/HTML_Presentations/Manuals/Workshop_Dec_12_16_2013/Rcheminf/
```

Loading the *ChemmineR* package and its documentation

```
> library("ChemmineR") # Loads the package
```

Accessing *ChemmineR* PDF manual and help documents

```
> library(help="ChemmineR") # Lists all functions and classes
```

```
> vignette("ChemmineR") # Opens PDF manual from R
```

```
> ?MW # Opens help for MW function
```

Import SD file into *SDFset* object

```
> sdfset <- read.SDFset("http://faculty.ucr.edu/~tgirke/Documents/R_BioCond/Samples/
```

```
> sdfset # Returns summary of SDFset
```

```
> valid <- validSDF(sdfset) # Identifies invalid SDFs in SDFset objects
```

```
> sdfset <- sdfset[valid] # Removes invalid SDFs, if there are any
```

Load sample SD file provided by package

```
> data(sdfsampl)
```

```
> sdfset <- sdfsampl
```

```
> sdfset # Returns summary of SDFset
```

An instance of "SDFset" with 100 molecules

# Export Molecule Structures to SD Files

## Write first 4 molecules to SD file

```
> write.SDF(sdfset[1:4], file="sub.sdf", sig=TRUE)
> list.files(pattern="sub.sdf")
[1] "sub.sdf"
```

## Write all molecules to several files each containing 50 entries

```
> write.SDFsplit(x=sdfset, filetag="myfile", nmol=50)

  from  to      filename
1     1  50 myfile001_050.sdf
2    51 100 myfile051_100.sdf
```

## Reimports newly created SD file

```
> sdfsetsub <- read.SDFset("sub.sdf")
> sdfsetsub
```

An instance of "SDFset" with 4 molecules

# Import/Export of SMILES Strings

## Load SMILES set provided by package

```
> data(smisample); smiset <- smisample  
> smiset
```

An instance of "SMIset" with 100 molecules

```
> smiset[[1]]
```

An instance of "SMI"

```
[1] "O=C(NC1CCCC1)CN(c1cc2OCCOc2cc1)C(=O)CCC(=O)Nc1noc(c1)C"
```

```
> view(smiset[1:2])
```

```
$`650001`
```

An instance of "SMI"

```
[1] "O=C(NC1CCCC1)CN(c1cc2OCCOc2cc1)C(=O)CCC(=O)Nc1noc(c1)C"
```

```
$`650002`
```

An instance of "SMI"

```
[1] "O=c1[nH]c(=O)n(c2nc(n(CCCc3ccccc3)c12)NCCCO)C"
```

## Write SMIset to file, with and without compound identifiers

```
> write.SMI(smiset[1:4], file="sub.smi", cid=TRUE)  
> write.SMI(smiset[1:4], file="sub.smi", cid=FALSE)
```

## Format interconversions

```
> library(ChemmineOB) # Requires OpenBabel  
> mysdf <- smiles2sdf(smiset)  
> mysmi <- sdf2smiles(mysdf)
```

# Exercise I: Import/Export

- Task 1** Open the PubChem site [Link](#) and search for 'p450 inhibitor'. Download the resulting 15 query hits to an SD file named 'p450.sdf' using the 'Structure Download' option on the right.
- Task 2** Import the 'p450.sdf' into your R session. Here is a backup [Link](#) of this file in case there are difficulties with the PubChem site.
- Task 3** Check in R the number of compounds stored in 'p450.sdf'.
- Task 4** Write the structures in inversed order back to an SD file.
- Task 5** Write the structures to several SD files each containing 5 molecules.

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# Most Important S4 Objects in *ChemmineR*

## Molecular structure containers

*SDF*: container for single molecule imported from an SD file

*SDFset*: container for many SDF objects; **most important container for end user**

*SMI*: container for a single SMILES string

*SMIset*: container for many SMILES strings

## Structure descriptor containers

*AP*: container for atom pair (AP) descriptors of a single molecule

*APset*: container for many AP objects

*FP*: container for fingerprint of a single molecule

*FPset*: container for fingerprints of many molecules

## Important methods operating on *SDFset*-type containers

- Object slots: `cid`, `header`, `atomblock`, `bondblock`, `datablock`
- Structure depiction: `plot`

## Coerce one class to another

- Standard syntax as `(..., "...")` works in most cases. For details see R help with `?"SDFset-class"`.

# Working with SDF/SDFset Classes

Several methods are available to return the different data components of *SDF/SDFset* containers in batches. The following examples list the most important ones.

```
> view(sdfset[1:4]) # Summary view of several molecules
> length(sdfset) # Returns number of molecules
> sdfset[[1]] # Returns single molecule from SDFset as SDF object
> sdfset[[1]][[2]] # Returns atom block from first compound as matrix
> sdfset[[1]][[2]][1:4,]
> c(sdfset[1:4], sdfset[5:8]) # Concatenation of several SDFsets
```

The `grepSDFset` function allows string matching/searching on the different data components of an *SDFset*. By default the function returns a SDF summary of the matching entries. Alternatively, an index of the matches can be returned with the setting `mode="index"`.

```
> grepSDFset("650001", sdfset, field="datablock", mode="subset")
> # To return index, set mode="index")
```

# Accessing *SDF/SDFset* Components

Methods for retrieving header, atom, bond and data blocks

```
> sdf <- sdfset[[1]]
> atomblock(sdf); sdf[[2]]; sdf[["atomblock"]]
> # All three methods return the same component
> header(sdfset[1:4])
> atomblock(sdfset[1:4])
> bondblock(sdfset[1:4])
> datablock(sdfset[1:4])
```

Utilities to manage compound IDs and to keep them unique

```
> sdfid(sdfset[1:4])

[1] "650001" "650002" "650003" "650004"

> # Retrieves CMP IDs from Molecule Name field in header block.
> cid(sdfset[1:4])

[1] "CMP1" "CMP2" "CMP3" "CMP4"

> # Retrieves CMP IDs from ID slot in SDFset.
> unique_ids <- makeUnique(sdfid(sdfset))

[1] "No duplicates detected!"

> # Creates unique IDs by appending a counter to duplicates.
> cid(sdfset) <- unique_ids # Assigns uniquified IDs to ID slot
```



## Exercise II: SDFset Containers

- Task 1** Assign custom names to ID slot in *SDFset* and export object to SD file so that the custom IDs are used as IDs in the header block.
- Task 2** Extract the `bondblock` of all structures in an *SDFset*, `rbind` them with `do.call` and write the resulting `matrix` to a tabular file.
- Task 3** Replace `atomblock` of first molecule in *SDFset* with `atomblock` of second molecule. Check the result with `"=="`.

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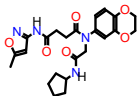
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# Rendering Chemical Structure Images

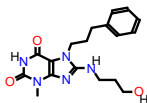
Plot compound Structures with R's graphics device

```
> data(sdfsampl); sdfset <- sdfsampl  
> plot(sdfset[1:4], print=FALSE) # print=TRUE returns SDF summaries
```

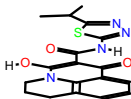
CMP1



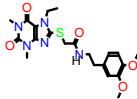
CMP2



CMP3



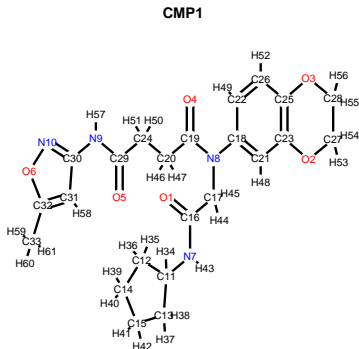
CMP4



# Customize Structure Rendering

Show atom block position numbers next to the atom symbols. For more details, consult help documentation with `?plotStruc` or `?plot`.

```
> plot(sdfset["CMP1"], atomnum = TRUE, noHbonds=F, no_print_atoms = "",  
+      atomcex=0.8, sub=paste("MW:", MW(sdfsampl["CMP1"])), print=FALSE)
```



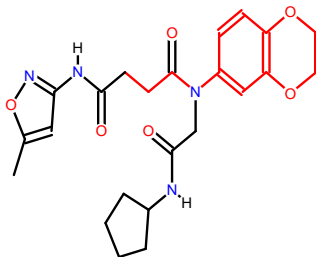
MW: 456.49162

# Substructure Coloring

## Substructure highlighting by atom numbers

```
> plot(sdfset[1], print=FALSE, colbonds=c(22,26,25,3,28,27,2,23,21,18,8,19,20,24))
```

CMP1



# Online Structure Viewing with ChemMine Tools

Plot structures using web service ChemMine Tools:

```
> sdf.visualize(sdfset[1:4])
```

The screenshot displays the ChemMine Tools interface for visualizing a set of chemical structures. It consists of three vertically stacked panels, each showing a reference compound and a list of similar compounds.

**Panel 1: Reference Compound (ba-01834)**  
Reference structure: C1=CC=C2C(=C1)C(=O)C=C2  
Similarities With All:  
Job Number	Similarity
1 | 0.258215174 |  
2 | 0.248422577 |  
3 | 0.248422577 |  
4 | 0.248422577 |  
5 | 0.248422577 |  
6 | 0.248422577 |  
7 | 0.248422577 |  
8 | 0.248422577 |  
9 | 0.248422577 |  
10 | 0.248422577 |

**Panel 2: (Chemmine\_Unnamed\_Compound\_2)**  
Reference structure: C1=CC=C2C(=C1)C(=O)C=C2  
Similarities With All:  
Job Number	Similarity
1 | 0.248422577 |  
2 | 0.248422577 |  
3 | 0.248422577 |  
4 | 0.248422577 |  
5 | 0.248422577 |  
6 | 0.248422577 |  
7 | 0.248422577 |  
8 | 0.248422577 |  
9 | 0.248422577 |  
10 | 0.248422577 |

**Panel 3: (Chemmine\_Unnamed\_Compound\_43)**  
Reference structure: C1=CC=C2C(=C1)C(=O)C=C2  
Similarities With All:  
Job Number	Similarity
1 | 0.248422577 |  
2 | 0.248422577 |  
3 | 0.248422577 |  
4 | 0.248422577 |  
5 | 0.248422577 |  
6 | 0.248422577 |  
7 | 0.248422577 |  
8 | 0.248422577 |  
9 | 0.248422577 |  
10 | 0.248422577 |

Figure: Visualization page created by calling `sdf.visualize`.

# Exercise III: Rendering Compound Structures

**Task 1** Plot the structures of compound IDs "42631481", "42631375", "42631371" and "42631260" of the p450 SDFset that you created in Exercise I.

**Task 2** Render the same structures online with Chemmine Tools.

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# Atom Count Table

Several methods and functions are available to compute basic compound descriptors, such as molecular formula (MF), molecular weight (MW), and frequencies of atoms and functional groups. In many of these functions, it is important to set `addH=TRUE` in order to include/add hydrogens that are often not specified in an SD file.

```
> propma <- atomcountMA(sdfset, addH=FALSE)
> propma[1:4,]

      C  H  N  O  S  F  Cl
CMP1 23 28  4  6  0  0   0
CMP2 18 23  5  3  0  0   0
CMP3 18 18  4  3  1  0   0
CMP4 21 27  5  5  1  0   0
```

Data frame provided by library containing atom names, atom symbols, standard atomic weights, group and period numbers.

```
> data(atomprop)
> atomprop[1:4,]

  Number      Name Symbol Atomic_weight Group Period
1       1  hydrogen     H      1.007940     1       1
2       2   helium    He      4.002602    18       1
3       3  lithium    Li      6.941000     1       2
4       4 beryllium    Be      9.012182     2       2
```

# Molecular Weight, Formula and Functional Groups

## Compute MW and formula

```
> MW(sdfset[1:4], addH=FALSE)
```

CMP1	CMP2	CMP3	CMP4
456.4916	357.4069	370.4255	461.5346

```
> MF(sdfset[1:4], addH=FALSE)
```

CMP1	CMP2	CMP3	CMP4
"C23H28N4O6"	"C18H23N5O3"	"C18H18N4O3S"	"C21H27N5O5S"

## Enumerate functional groups

```
> groups(sdfset[1:4], groups="fctgroup", type="countMA")
```

	RNH2	R2NH	R3N	ROPO3	ROH	RCHO	RCOR	RCOOH	RCOOR	ROR	RCCH	RCN
CMP1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
CMP2	0	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CMP3	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
CMP4	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0

# Aggregate Many Molecular Properties

Combine MW, MF, charges, atom counts, functional group counts and ring counts in one data frame

```
> propma <- data.frame(MF=MF(sdfset, addH=FALSE), MW=MW(sdfset, addH=FALSE),  
+                       Ncharges=sapply(bonds(sdfset, type="charge"), length),  
+                       atomcountMA(sdfset, addH=FALSE), groups(sdfset,  
+                       type="countMA"), rings(sdfset, upper=6, type="count",  
+                       arom=TRUE))  
> propma[1:4,]
```

	MF	MW	Ncharges	C	H	N	O	S	F	Cl	RNH2	R2NH	R3N	ROPO3	ROH	RCHO	RO
CMP1	C23H28N4O6	456.4916	0	23	28	4	6	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0
CMP2	C18H23N5O3	357.4069	0	18	23	5	3	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	0	0
CMP3	C18H18N4O3S	370.4255	0	18	18	4	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
CMP4	C21H27N5O5S	461.5346	0	21	27	5	5	1	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0

# Properties from OpenBabel with *ChemmineOB*

Computes logP, HBA, HBD and other useful properties

```
> library(ChemmineOB)
> propOB(sdfset)[1:4,]
```

# Assign Molecular Properties to SDF Data Block

The following shows an example for assigning the values stored in a matrix (e.g. property descriptors) to the data block components in an *SDFset*. Each matrix row will be assigned to the corresponding slot position in the *SDFset*.

```
> datablock(sdfset) <- propma # Works with all SDF components
> datablock(sdfset)[1]
```

```
$CMP1
      MF           MW      Ncharges      C           H           N
"C23H28N4O6"  "456.4916"      "0"      "23"      "28"      "4"
      RCOR      RCOOH      RCOOR      ROR      RCCH      RCN
      "0"      "0"      "0"      "2"      "0"      "0"
```

Convert data block of *SDFset* to matrix.

```
> blockmatrix <- datablock2ma(datablocklist=datablock(sdfset))
> blockmatrix[1:2,1:12]
```

```
      MF           MW      Ncharges  C    H    N    O    S    F    Cl  RNH2  R2NH
CMP1 "C23H28N4O6"  "456.4916"  "0"   "23" "28" "4"  "6"  "0"  "0"  "0"  "0"  "2"
CMP2 "C18H23N5O3"  "357.4069"  "0"   "18" "23" "5"  "3"  "0"  "0"  "0"  "0"  "2"
```

# Charges and Missing Hydrogens

The function `bonds` returns information about the number of bonds, charges and missing hydrogens in *SDF* and *SDFset* objects. It is used by many other functions (e.g. `MW`, `MF`, `atomcount`, `atomcuntMA` and `plot`) to correct for missing hydrogens that are often not specified in SD files.

```
> bonds(sdfset[[1]], type="bonds")[1:4,]
```

	atom	Nbondcount	Nbondrule	charge
1	0	2	2	0
2	0	2	2	0
3	0	2	2	0
4	0	2	2	0

```
> bonds(sdfset[1:2], type="charge")
```

```
$CMP1
```

```
NULL
```

```
$CMP2
```

```
NULL
```

```
> bonds(sdfset[1:2], type="addNH")
```

```
CMP1 CMP2
```

```
0 0
```

# Ring Perception and Aromaticity Assignment

The function `rings` identifies all possible rings in one or many molecules using the exhaustive ring perception algorithm from Hanser et al. (1996). In addition, the function can return all smallest possible rings as well as aromaticity information.

```
> (ringatoms <- rings(sdfset[1], upper=Inf, type="all", arom=TRUE, inner=FALSE))
```

```
$RINGS
```

```
$RINGS$ring1
```

```
[1] "N_10" "O_6" "C_32" "C_31" "C_30"
```

```
$RINGS$ring2
```

```
[1] "C_12" "C_14" "C_15" "C_13" "C_11"
```

```
$RINGS$ring3
```

```
[1] "C_23" "O_2" "C_27" "C_28" "O_3" "C_25"
```

```
$RINGS$ring4
```

```
[1] "C_23" "C_21" "C_18" "C_22" "C_26" "C_25"
```

```
$RINGS$ring5
```

```
[1] "O_3" "C_28" "C_27" "O_2" "C_23" "C_21" "C_18" "C_22" "C_26" "C_25"
```

```
$AROMATIC
```

```
ring1 ring2 ring3 ring4 ring5
```

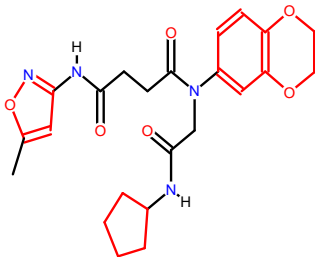
```
TRUE FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE
```

# Highlight Rings in Structure Image

For visual inspection, the corresponding compound structure can be plotted with the ring bonds highlighted in color.

```
> atomindex <- as.numeric(gsub(".*_", "", unique(unlist(ringatoms$RINGS))))  
> plot(sdfset[1], print=FALSE, colbonds=atomindex)
```

CMP1





# Streaming Through Large SD Files

The `sdfStream` function allows to stream through SD Files with millions of molecules without consuming much memory. During this process any set of descriptors, supported by *ChemmineR*, can be computed. In addition to descriptor values, the function returns a line index that gives the start and end positions of each molecule in the source SD File. This line index can be used by the downstream `read.SDFindex` function to retrieve specific molecules of interest from the source SD File without reading the entire file into R.

```
> write.SDF(sdfset, "test.sdf")
> desc <- function(sdfset) {
+   cbind(SDFID=sdfid(sdfset),
+         MW=MW(sdfset),
+         groups(sdfset),
+         rings(sdfset, type="count", upper=6, arom=TRUE)
+   )
+ }
> sdfStream(input="test.sdf", output="matrix.xls", fct=desc, Nlines=1000, silent=TRUE)
> read.delim("matrix.xls", row.names=1)[1:3,1:10]
```

	SDFlineStart	SDFlineEnd	SDFID	MW	RNH2	R2NH	R3N	ROPO3	ROH	RCHO
CMP1	1	203	650001	456.4916	0	2	1	0	0	0
CMP2	204	381	650002	357.4069	0	2	2	0	1	0
CMP3	382	550	650003	370.4255	0	1	1	0	1	0

# Exercise IV: Compound Properties

- Task 1** Compute for p450 SDFset from Exercise I all possible compound properties.
- Task 2** Assign the property matrix to the data bock in the corresponding SDFset.
- Task 3** Export the modified SDFset object to an SD file and inspect the result.

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# Structure Descriptor Containers: APset/FPset

The function `sdf2ap` computes atom pair descriptors for one or many compounds (Chen and Reynolds, 2002; Cao et al., 2008). It returns a searchable atom pair database stored in a container of class *APset*, which can be used for structural similarity searching and clustering.

```
> apset <- sdf2ap(sdfset)
> apset
```

An instance of "APset" with 100 molecules

Most methods working on *SDFset* objects work the same way on descriptor objects.

```
> showClass("APset")
> cid(apset)
> view(apset)
> as(apset, "list")
```

The *FPset* class stores fingerprints of small molecules in a matrix-like representation where every molecule is encoded as a fingerprint of the same type and length.

```
> (fpset <- desc2fp(apset))
```

An instance of a 1024 bit "FPset" of type "apfp" with 100 molecules

```
> view(fpset[1])
```

\$CMP1

An instance of "FP" of type "unknown-1683"

<<fingerprint>>

0 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 ... length: 1024

# Atom Pair and Atom Pair Fingerprint Searches

The `cmp.search` function searches an atom pair database for compounds that are similar to a query compound.

```
> cmp.search(apset, apset["CMP1"], type=3, cutoff = 0.3, quiet=TRUE)
```

	index	cid	scores
1	1	CMP1	1.0000000
2	96	CMP96	0.3516643
3	67	CMP67	0.3117569
4	88	CMP88	0.3094629
5	15	CMP15	0.3010753

Compound similarity searching with *FPset*

```
> fpset1024 <- names(rev(sort(table(unlist(as(apset, "list"))))))[1:1024])
> fpset <- desc2fp(apset, descnames=fpset1024, type="FPset")
> fpSim(fpset["CMP1"], fpset, method="Tanimoto", cutoff=0.2, top=6)
```

CMP1	CMP96	CMP67	CMP31	CMP88	CMP15
1.0000000	0.4300000	0.3859060	0.3855856	0.3804714	0.3738602

# Similarity Searching with PubChem Fingerprints

The `fpSim` function can be used for any type of binary fingerprint, here PubChem fingerprints extracted from the data block of the `SDFset` object.

```
> fpset <- fp2bit(sdfsamples, type=3)
> fpSim(fpset[1], fpset, method="Tanimoto", cutoff=0.2, top=6)
```

```
      CMP1      CMP33      CMP98      CMP86      CMP4      CMP70
1.0000000 0.6950000 0.6763485 0.6666667 0.6448980 0.6422018
```

Pairwise comparisons are supported as well

```
> fpSim(fpset[1], fpset[2])

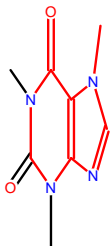
      CMP2
0.5364807
```

# Maximum Common Substructure (MCS) Searching

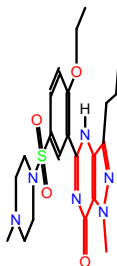
The *fmcsR* package provides support for identifying strict MCSs and mismatch tolerant flexible FMCSs among compounds (Wang et al., 2013).

```
> library(fmcsR); data(fmcstest) # Loads library and test sdfset object  
> test <- fmcs(fmcstest[1], fmcstest[2], au=2, bu=1) # Searches for MCS with mismatch  
> plotMCS(test) # Plots both query compounds with MCS in color
```

Caffeine



Viagra



## FMCS-based structure similarity searching

```
> fmcsBatch(sdfset[[1]], sdfset)[1:2,]
```

	Query_Size	Target_Size	MCS_Size	Tanimoto_Coefficient	Overlap_Coefficient
CMP1	33	33	33	1.0000000	1.0000000
CMP2	33	26	11	0.2291667	0.4230769

# Searching PubChem from ChemmineR

*ChemmineR* supports searching of the PubChem database by compound IDs or via a structure similarity search using PubChem fingerprints. The following searches PubChem by structure similarity and stores the results in an *SDFset* object.

```
> compounds <- searchSim(sdfset[1])  
> compounds
```

An instance of "SDFset" with 10 molecules



# Exercise V: Compound Similarity Searching

- Task 1** Convert the p450 SDFset from Exercise I into 3 searchable descriptor databases containing: (1) atom pairs, (2) atom pair fingerprints and (3) PubChem fingerprints.
- Task 2** Perform a structure similarity search against all three databases with the first compound in p450 SDFset as query. Compare the ranking of the three different search results.

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# Binning Clustering

Compound libraries can be clustered into discrete similarity groups with the binning clustering function `cmp.cluster`.

```
> c1 <- cmp.cluster(fpset, cutoff=c(0.3, 0.6, 0.9), method="Tanimoto",  
+ quiet=TRUE)
```

sorting result...

```
> c1[1:8,]
```

	ids	CLSZ_0.3	CLID_0.3	CLSZ_0.6	CLID_0.6	CLSZ_0.9	CLID_0.9
1	CMP1	100	1	91	1	1	1
2	CMP2	100	1	91	1	1	2
3	CMP3	100	1	91	1	1	3
4	CMP4	100	1	91	1	1	4
6	CMP6	100	1	91	1	1	6
7	CMP7	100	1	91	1	1	7
8	CMP8	100	1	91	1	1	8
9	CMP9	100	1	91	1	1	9

```
> cluster.sizestat(c1, cluster.result=2)
```

cluster	size	count
1	1	9
2	91	1

# Jarvis-Patrick Clustering

The Jarvis-Patrick clustering algorithm is widely used in cheminformatics (Jarvis and Patrick, 1973) because it scales to very large numbers of compounds. The following performs standard Jarvis-Patrick clustering and computes the nearest neighbor table on the fly.

```
> jarvisPatrick(nearestNeighbors(fpset, numNbrs=6), k=5, mode="a1a2b")[1:20]
```

CMP1	CMP2	CMP3	CMP4	CMP5	CMP6	CMP7	CMP8	CMP9	CMP10	CMP11	CMP12	CMP13	CMP14
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14

Output nearest neighbor table (*matrix*)

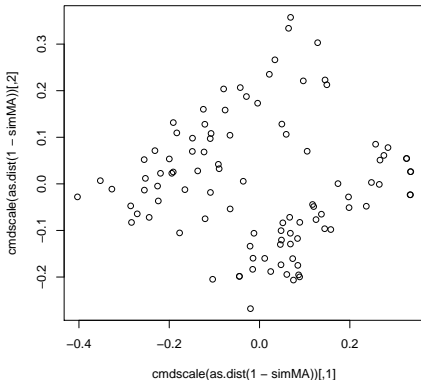
```
> nnm <- nearestNeighbors(fpset, numNbrs=6)
> nnm$similarities[1:4,]
```

	CMP1	CMP33	CMP98	CMP86	CMP4	CMP70
sim	1	0.6950000	0.6763485	0.6666667	0.6448980	0.6422018
sim	1	0.7823834	0.7475248	0.7348837	0.7281553	0.6666667
sim	1	0.6871795	0.6446701	0.6283186	0.6276596	0.6263158
sim	1	0.8177570	0.7348837	0.7287449	0.7136564	0.7105263

# Multi-Dimensional Scaling (MDS)

Multidimensional scaling (MDS) algorithms start with a matrix of item-item distances and then assign coordinates for each item in a low-dimensional space to represent the distances graphically.

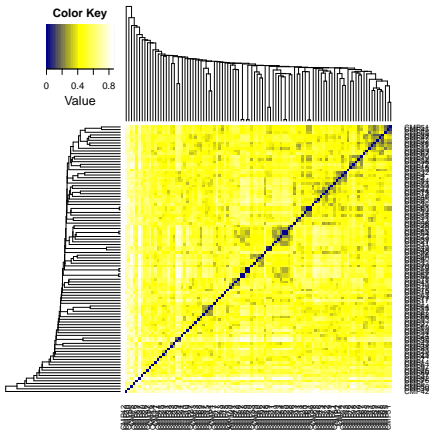
```
> simMA <- sapply(cid(fpset), function(x) fpSim(fpset[x], fpset, sorted=FALSE))  
> plot(cmdscale(as.dist(1-simMA)))
```



# Hierarchical Clustering

The following performs hierarchical clustering of compound structure similarities (distances). The resulting dendrogram is then plotted next to a heatmap of the corresponding similarity matrix.

```
> library(gplots)
> hc <- hclust(as.dist(1-simMA), method="single")
> heatmap.2(1-simMA, Rowv=as.dendrogram(hc), Colv=as.dendrogram(hc),
+   col=colorpanel(40, "darkblue", "yellow", "white"),
+   density.info="none", trace="none")
```



# Exercise VI: Compound Clustering

- Task 1 Cluster the structures in p450 SDFset with the binning clustering algorithm.
- Task 2 Cluster the structures in p450 SDFset with the Jarvis-Patrick clustering algorithm.
- Task 3 Cluster the structures in p450 SDFset with the MDS algorithm.
- Task 4 Cluster the structures in p450 SDFset with the hierarchical clustering algorithm.

# Session Information

```
> sessionInfo()
```

```
R version 3.1.2 (2014-10-31)
```

```
Platform: x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu (64-bit)
```

```
locale:
```

```
[1] C
```

```
attached base packages:
```

```
[1] stats      graphics  utils      datasets  grDevices  methods    base
```

```
other attached packages:
```

```
[1] gplots_2.14.2  fmcsR_1.8.0    ChemmineR_2.18.0
```

```
loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
```

```
[1] DBI_0.3.1      KernSmooth_2.23-13  RCurl_1.95-4.3      Rcpp_0.11.3         bitops_1.0-6        caTool
```

```
[12] tools_3.1.2
```



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