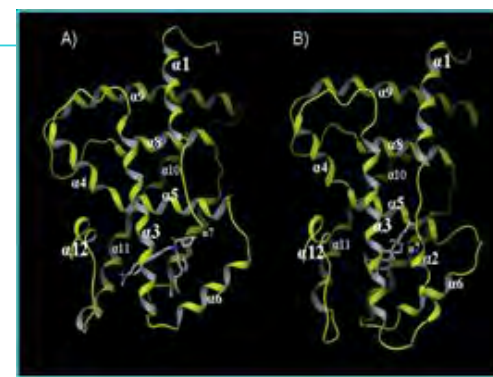
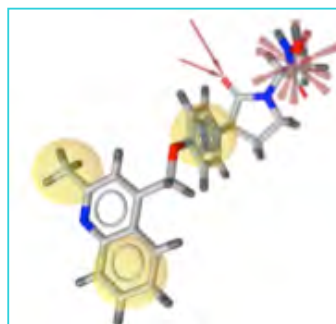
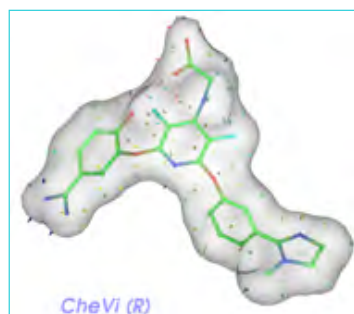
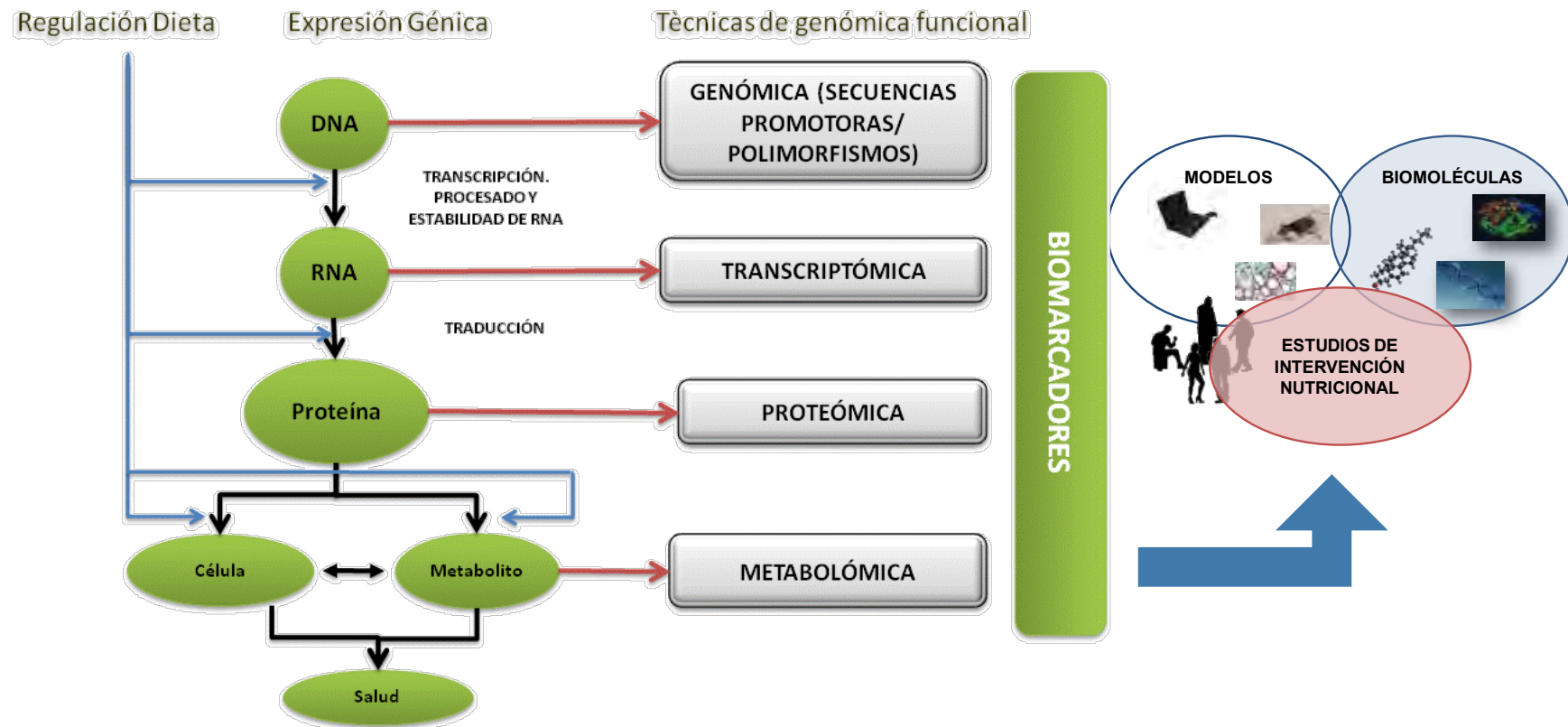




“Interés de la bioinformática en la sustanciación de declaraciones de propiedades saludables. Predicción de compuestos bioactivos frente a dianas predefinidas. Comprensión del mecanismo por el que los compuestos bioactivos mejoran las condiciones de salud y previenen enfermedades”.



# Action Mechanism+ Physiological Effect



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# **EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES FOR EFFICACY DEMONSTRATION**



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SUMMARY REPORT OF A WORKSHOP HELD IN FEBRUARY 2009

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Demonstration Task Force

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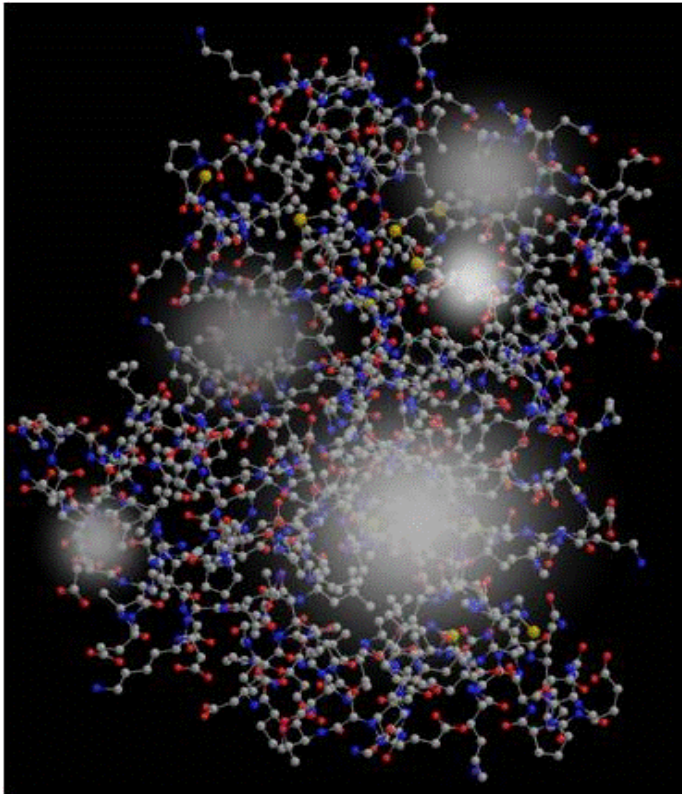
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## EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES TASK FORCE

Bioactive food ingredients are claimed to either reduce disease risks or to improve life quality by optimising and maintaining body functions. These claims have to be based on scientific substantiation. The project “Process for the Assessment of Scientific Support for Claims on Foods” (PASSCLAIM) developed a generic tool to assess the scientific support for health claims for foods. It also established criteria for markers and measurement techniques to be used to substantiate a claim. **However, today new technologies have been developed, such as the -omics technologies, which can serve as good tools to further strengthen the evidence of efficacy of specific bioactive food ingredients, detect new markers of efficacy which were not known up to date and/or generate reliable evidence in cases (i.e. calorie restriction) where this may be difficult for the classical biomarkers. Likewise, it is conceivable that imaging techniques derived from clinical diagnosis can provide evidence in humans, i.e. brain functions, which is very difficult to get with established biomarkers/tests.**

## Objective



### Bioinformatics Unit

Predicting which bioactive compounds **would be** the most effective one against a pre-defined protein target

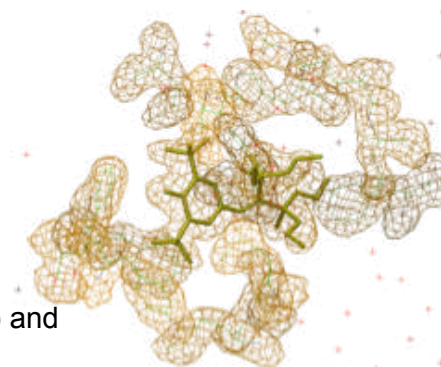
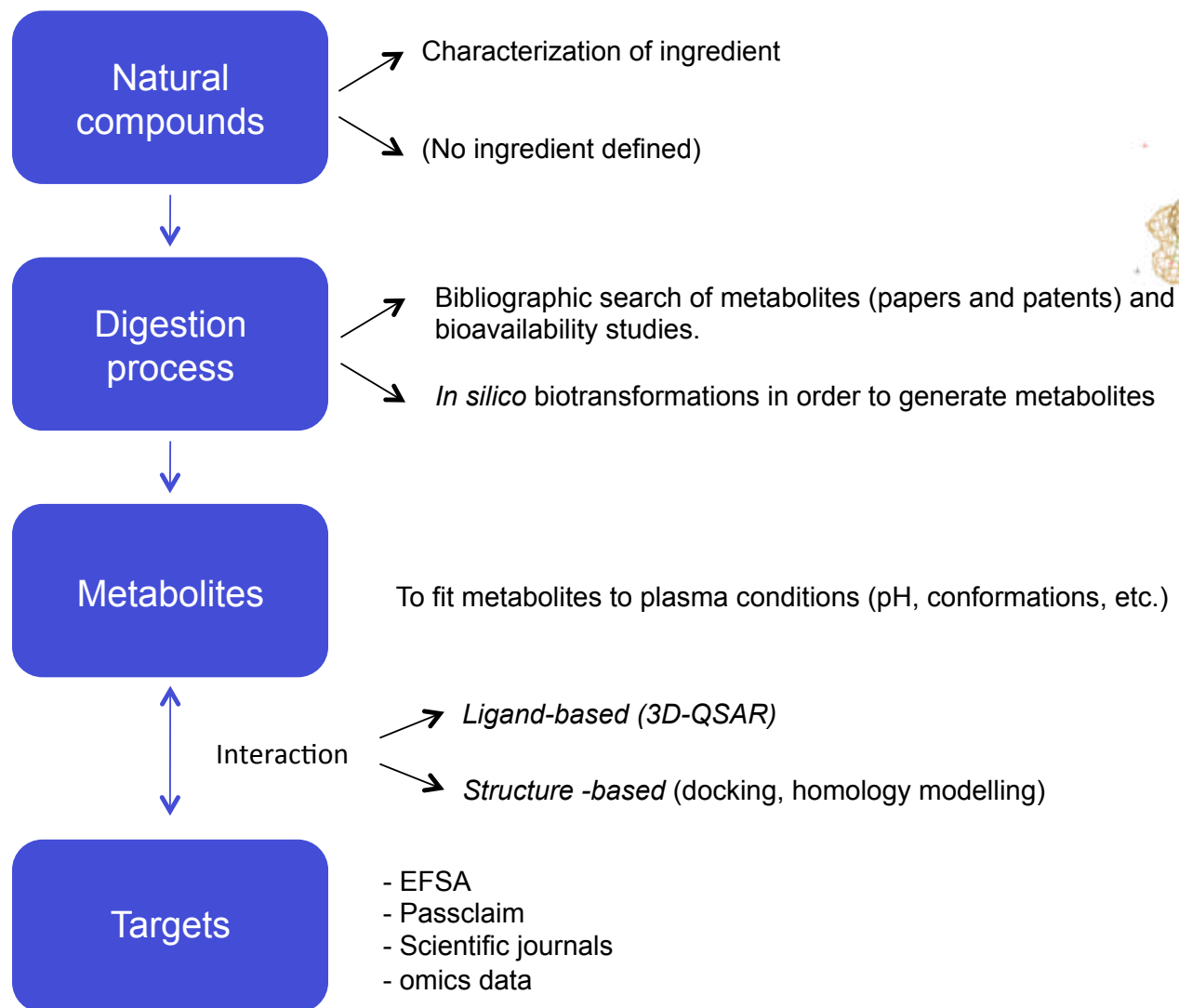
Understanding how bioactive molecules in food can improve health conditions and prevent diseases like diabetes, obesity, cardiovascular pathologies ...

### Validation and Design of functional foods

#### Hypothesis:

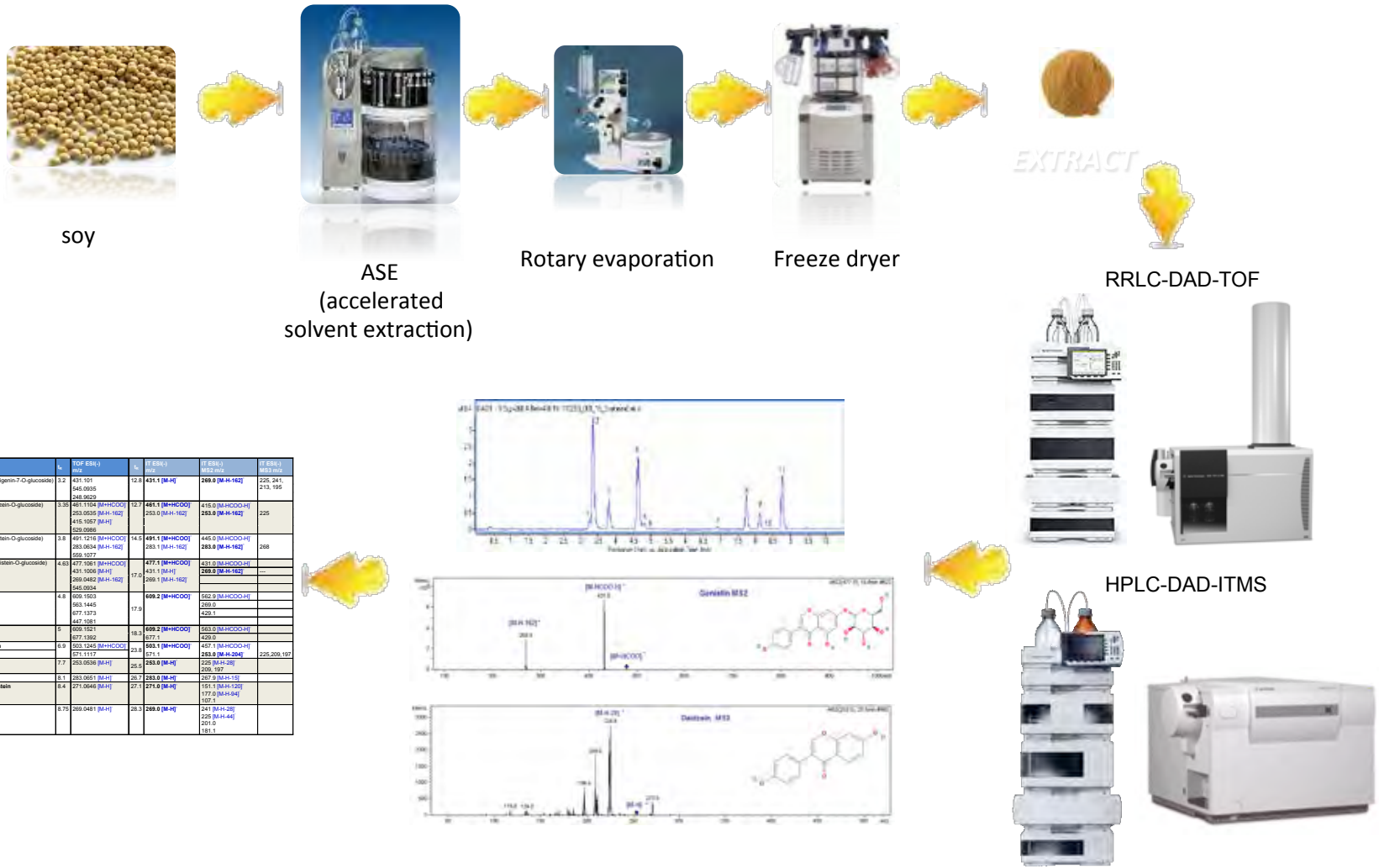
Compounds are activators or inhibitors of one target depending on their binding mode

## Summary



# Natural compounds

Characterization of ingredient → To show plausible mechanism of action



## Natural compounds

No ingredient defined → to develop a new ingredient

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☐ Global  ☐ Name  ☐ Weight  ☐ SDF

☐ Type  ☐ Subtype  ☒ S. Compound  ☐ S. Metabolite

☐ ID  ☐ BD source  ☐ Biocsp?  ☐ Metabolite?

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Registers:

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	Name	Type	Subtype	Source Metabolite	Data base	Biocsp	SDF
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300.000 compound which we know source  
(grapes, berries, etc)

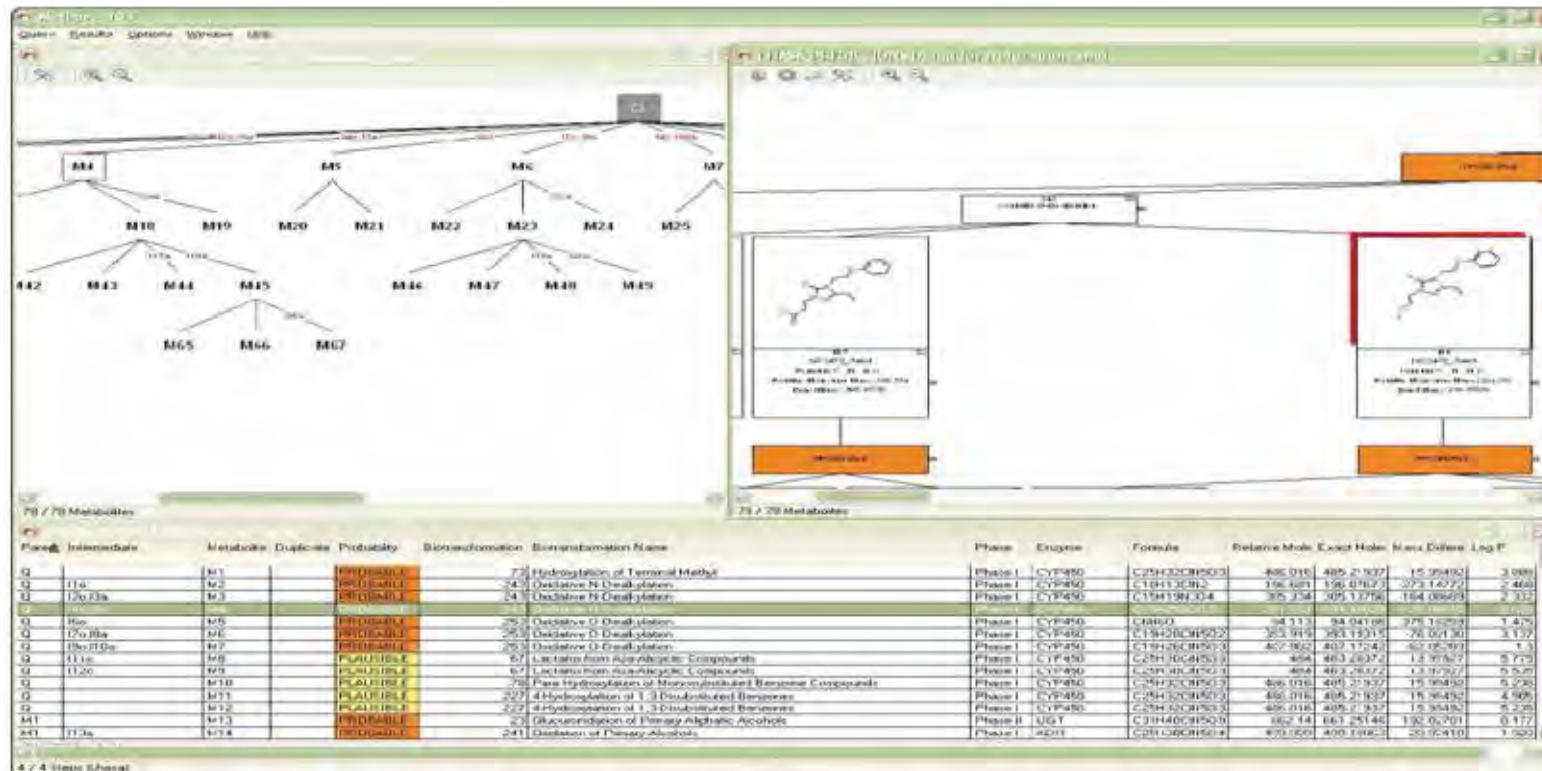
## Digestion process

### ➤ Bibliographic search

*Urinary Excretion of Black Raspberry (Rubus occidentalis) Anthocyanins and Their Metabolites*

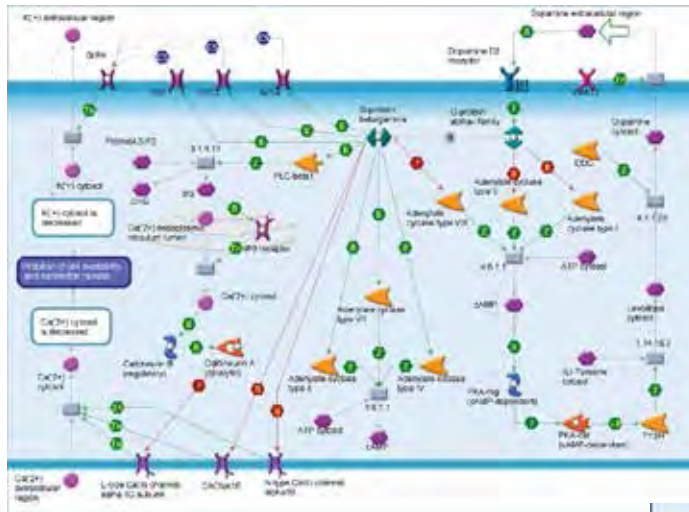
*Determination of procyanidins and their metabolites in plasma samples by improved liquid chromatography–tandem mass spectrometry*

### ➤ In silico prediction



# Targets

## Pathway



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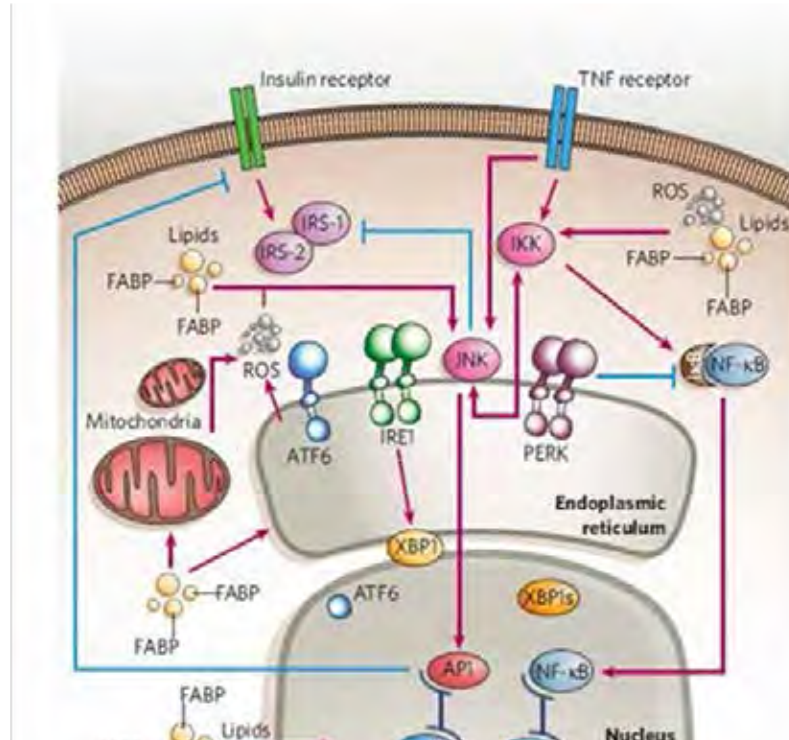
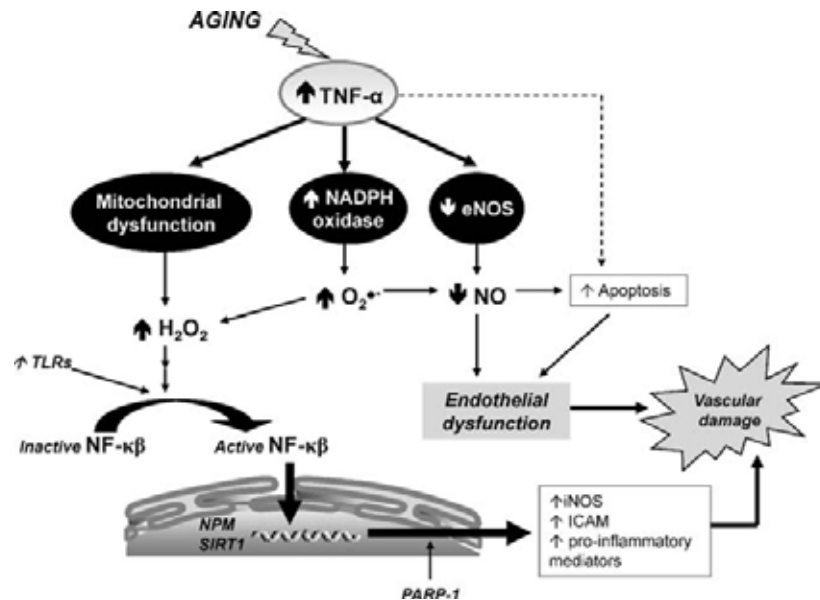
- EFSA
- Passclaim (biomarkers)
- Scientific Journals
- omics data

## List of targets

SRIODTA					
Filtered Targets Table: SRIODTA, 2020-2021					
Target Name	Target ID	Target Description	Target Type	Target Status	Target Action
1. G-protein coupled receptor (GPCR)	100001	GPCR is a transmembrane protein that is activated by a variety of ligands, including hormones, neurotransmitters, and sensory stimuli. It is involved in a wide range of cellular processes, including signal transduction, cell growth, and differentiation.	Receptor	Completed	✓
2. Protein kinase A (PKA)	100002	PKA is a serine/threonine kinase that is activated by cAMP. It is involved in a wide range of cellular processes, including signal transduction, cell growth, and differentiation.	Enzyme	Completed	✓
3. Phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase (PI3K)	100003	PI3K is a lipid kinase that is activated by a variety of ligands, including growth factors and cytokines. It is involved in a wide range of cellular processes, including signal transduction, cell growth, and differentiation.	Enzyme	Completed	✓
4. Mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK)	100004	MAPK is a serine/threonine kinase that is activated by a variety of ligands, including growth factors and cytokines. It is involved in a wide range of cellular processes, including signal transduction, cell growth, and differentiation.	Enzyme	Completed	✓
5. G-protein coupled receptor (GPCR)	100005	GPCR is a transmembrane protein that is activated by a variety of ligands, including hormones, neurotransmitters, and sensory stimuli. It is involved in a wide range of cellular processes, including signal transduction, cell growth, and differentiation.	Receptor	Completed	✓
6. Protein kinase A (PKA)	100006	PKA is a serine/threonine kinase that is activated by cAMP. It is involved in a wide range of cellular processes, including signal transduction, cell growth, and differentiation.	Enzyme	Completed	✓
7. Phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase (PI3K)	100007	PI3K is a lipid kinase that is activated by a variety of ligands, including growth factors and cytokines. It is involved in a wide range of cellular processes, including signal transduction, cell growth, and differentiation.	Enzyme	Completed	✓
8. Mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK)	100008	MAPK is a serine/threonine kinase that is activated by a variety of ligands, including growth factors and cytokines. It is involved in a wide range of cellular processes, including signal transduction, cell growth, and differentiation.	Enzyme	Completed	✓

[...] In addition to these known kinds of markers, also markers for an early prediction of improvement (as early as possible) and special markers for demonstration of a claimed effect (validated markers to demonstrate a claimed effect of a substance) were suggested. Also a ranking of the markers into “light” and “hard” markers was proposed. The “light” markers (e.g., new markers which lack full validation) could be used for exploratory studies while the “hard” markers (e.g., markers with a long history of use) could be used for confirmatory studies. Further, **it might be a good suggestion to not only use markers describing a definite status (e.g. oxidised low- density lipoprotein (LDL) or LDL-cholesterol plasma levels as a recognised marker for cardiovascular disease risk) but to use a marker describing a dynamic effect (e.g. Flow Mediated Dilation as a descriptor for coronary artery (cardiovascular) health).**

## Inflammatory protection

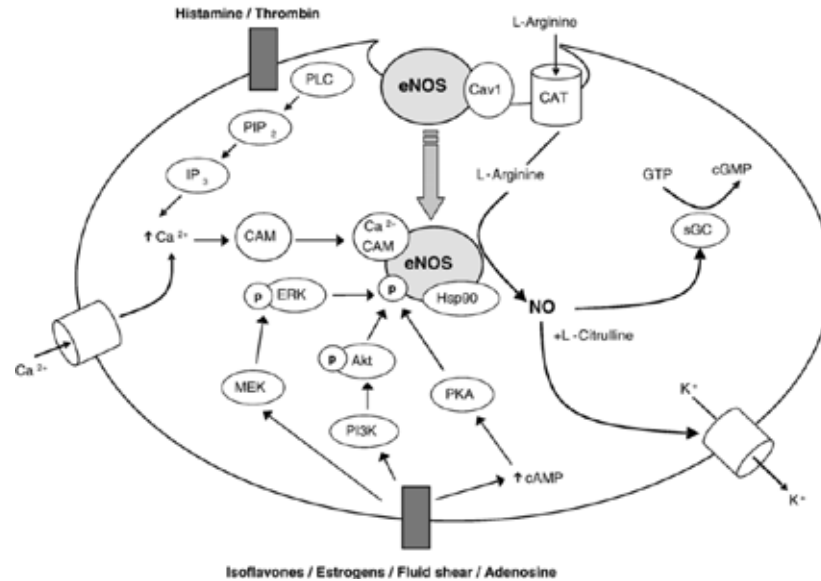


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TNF-α upregulates endothelial arginase in I/R, which causes a reduction of L-arginine availability to NOS, and leads to O<sub>2</sub><sup>•-</sup> production, thus impairing NO-mediated vasodilation (Xue Gao et al., 2007).

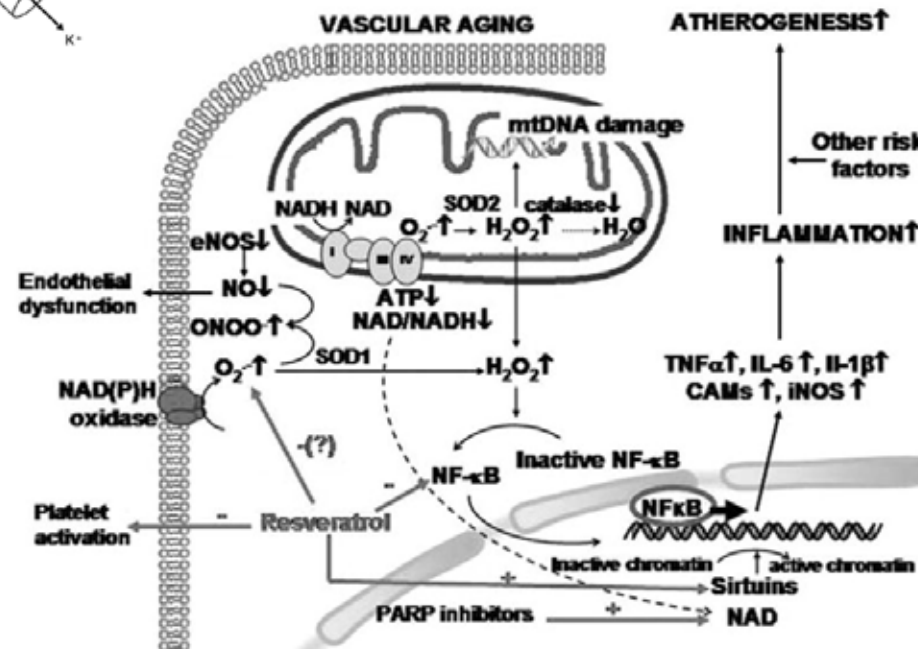
Typically, the canonical NF-κB signaling cascade is initiated by such stimuli as tumor necrosis factor α (TNFα), bacterial lipopolysaccharide (LPS), and genotoxic agents (Mia Rushe et al., 2008).

## Endothelial Dysfunction (NO synthesis)

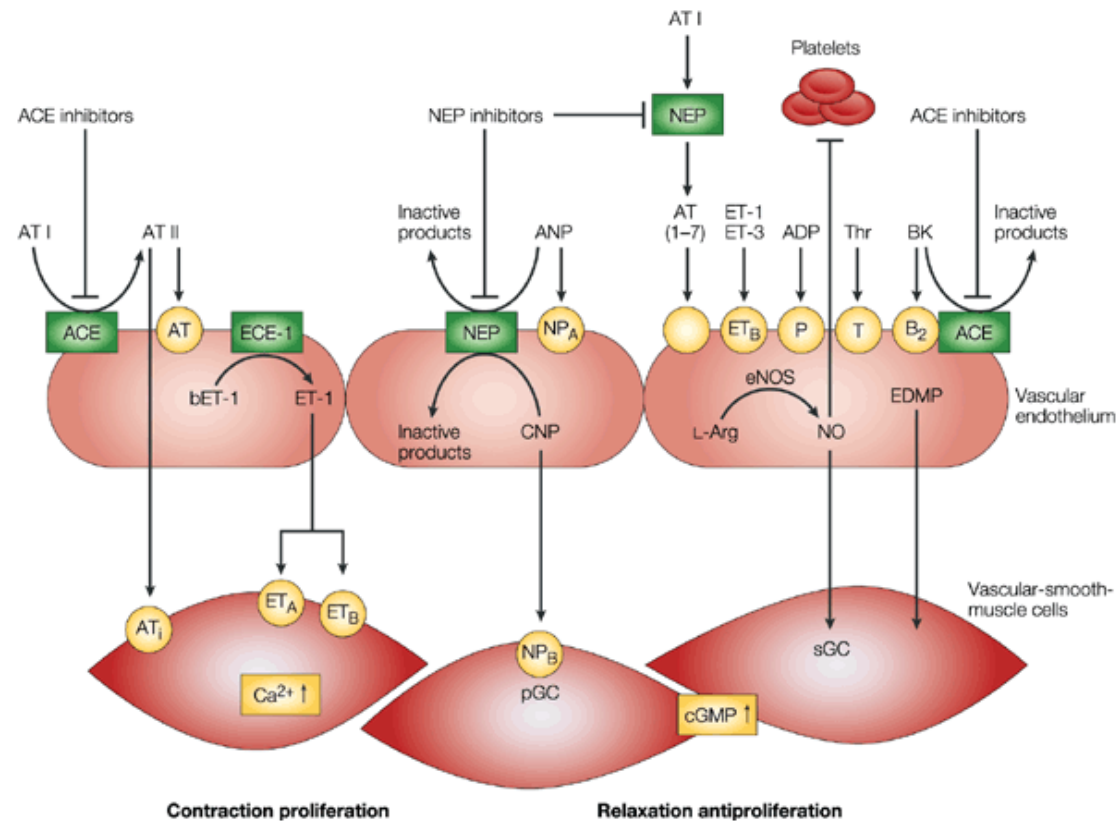


It is clear that eNOS has a key role in regulating the homeostasis between the endothelial cell surface, circulating cells and vasomotor function, and that it is also involved in pathological conditions where it can be activated posttranslationally (Giuseppe Cirino et al., 2003).

iNOS-produced NO appears to be involved in a broad range of inflammatory pathologies, such as septic shock, rheumatoid arthritis, and multiple sclerosis (Haitao Ji et al. 2007).

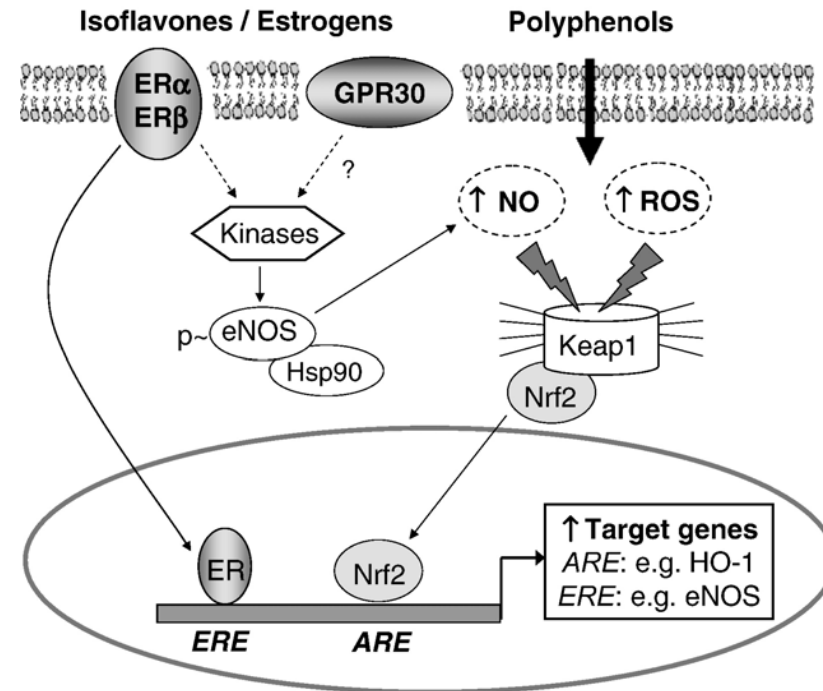
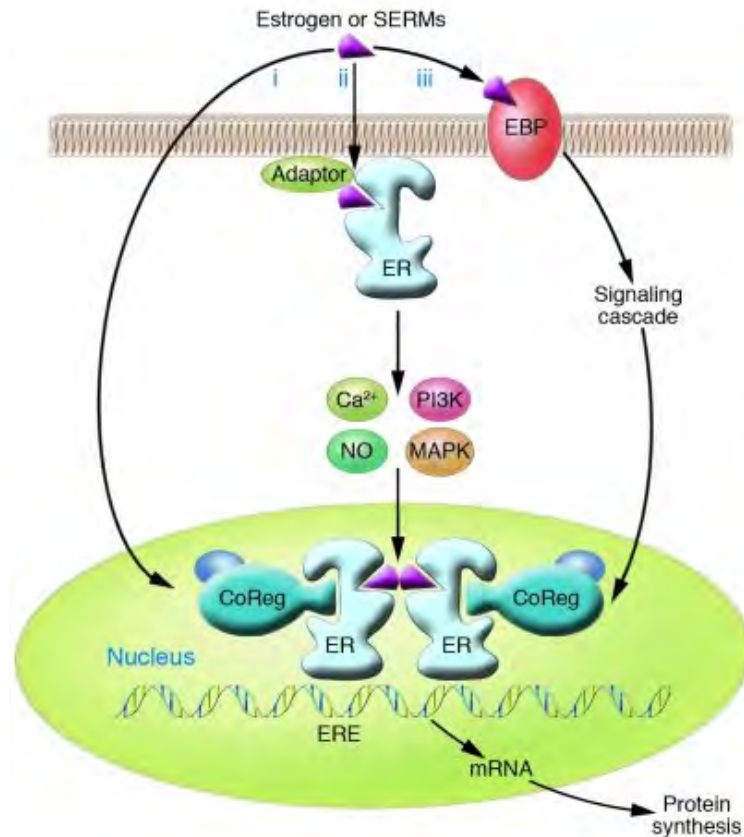


## Vasodilatory Effects



Antihypertensive treatments—such as ACE inhibitors, calcium channel blockers, and third generation  $\beta$ -blockers—reverse endothelial dysfunction in experimental animals and in hypertensive patients. Several effects of ACE inhibitors enhance NO release and bioactivity, including preventing the breakdown of endogenous bradykinin (a potent NO releaser). ACE inhibitors also protect NO bioavailability (Tang EHC & Vanhoutt PM, 2010).

## Estrogenic Effects



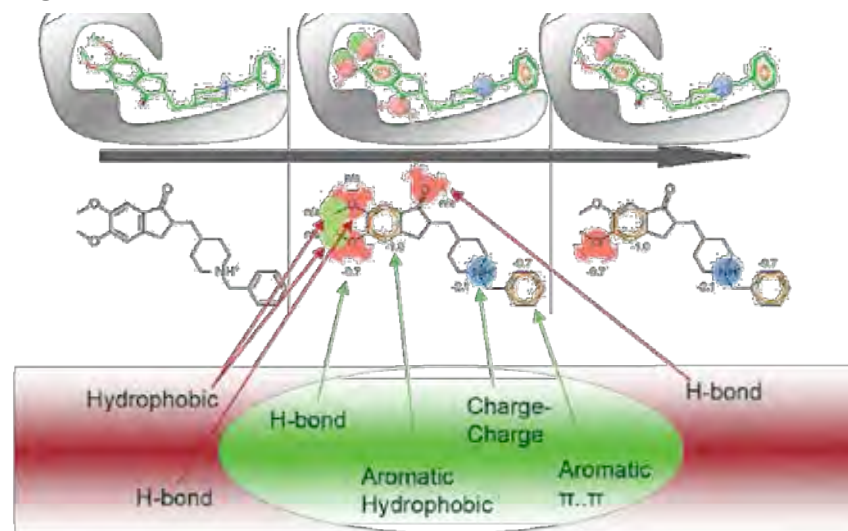
In this study, we have shown that the soy-derived isoflavones genistein and daidzein significantly protect vascular Endothelial cells against high-glucose- and H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-induced oxidative stress injury. This protective action is mediated by the regulation of Bcl-2/Bax expression, PI3K and Rho/ROCK signaling pathways, and ERβ expression, which suggests that soy isoflavones have multiple mechanisms of action against oxidative stress in vascular endothelial cells. (Shang-Zhong Xu et al., 2009).

## Methodology (structure-based)

1.- Preparation/selection of targets

2.- Definition of all the possible interaction models per target (training set)

- Docking



3.- Preparation of samples (sample set)

- Generation of metabolites
- Extraction of the interaction model (docking)

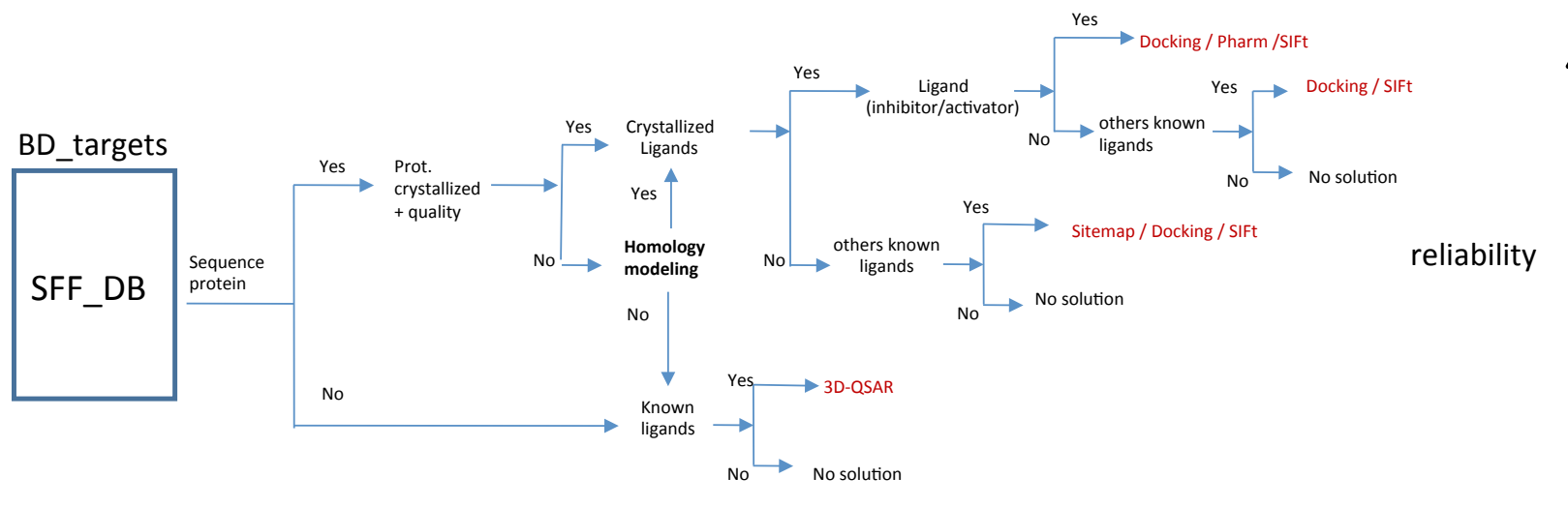
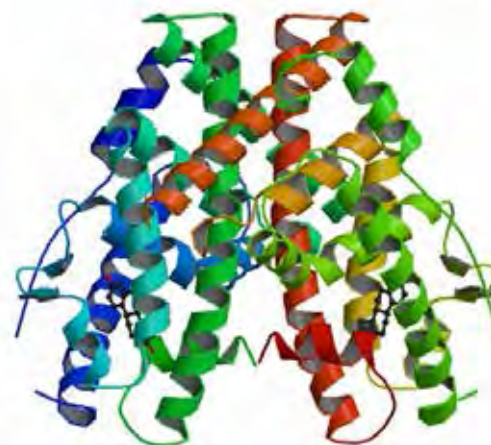
4.- Prediction of binding modes of samples

- Clustering

## Methodology (structure-based)

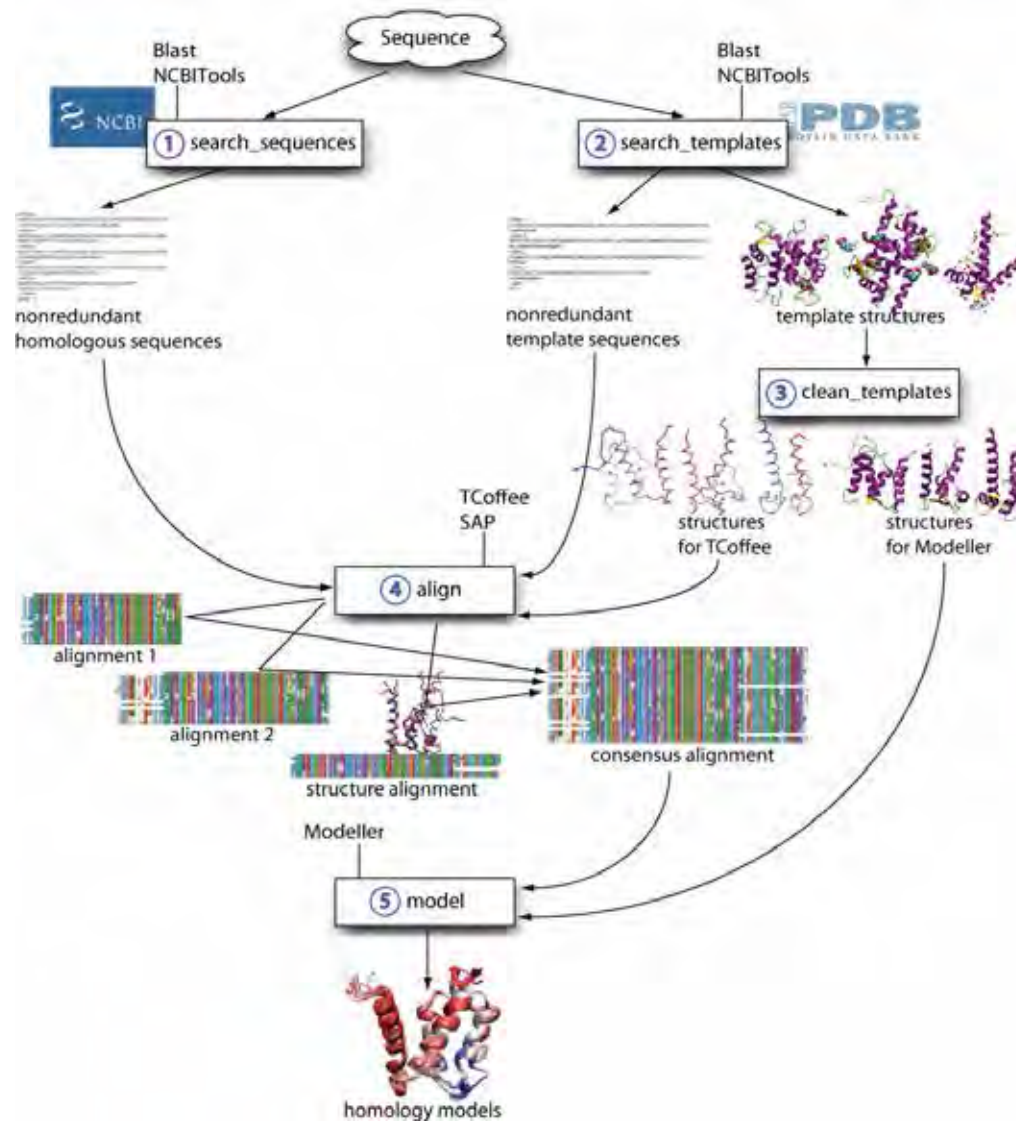
### 1.- Preparation/selection of proteins

- i) Is the target crystallized? Protein Data Base structure, modelling ...
- ii) Is the crystallized ligand an activator or an inhibitor?
- iii) Is the binding site well defined? Electron density



## Methodology (structure-based)

### Homology modeling



## Methodology (structure-based)

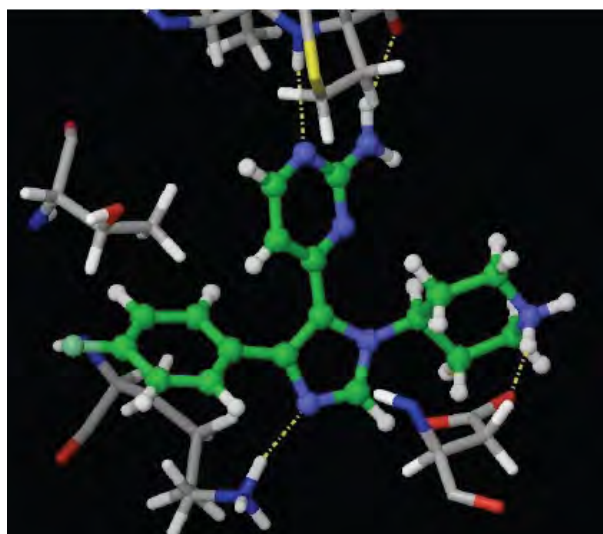
### 2.- Definition of all the possible interaction models

- i) By known bioactive compounds
  - ii) By crystallized complex
- } Training set

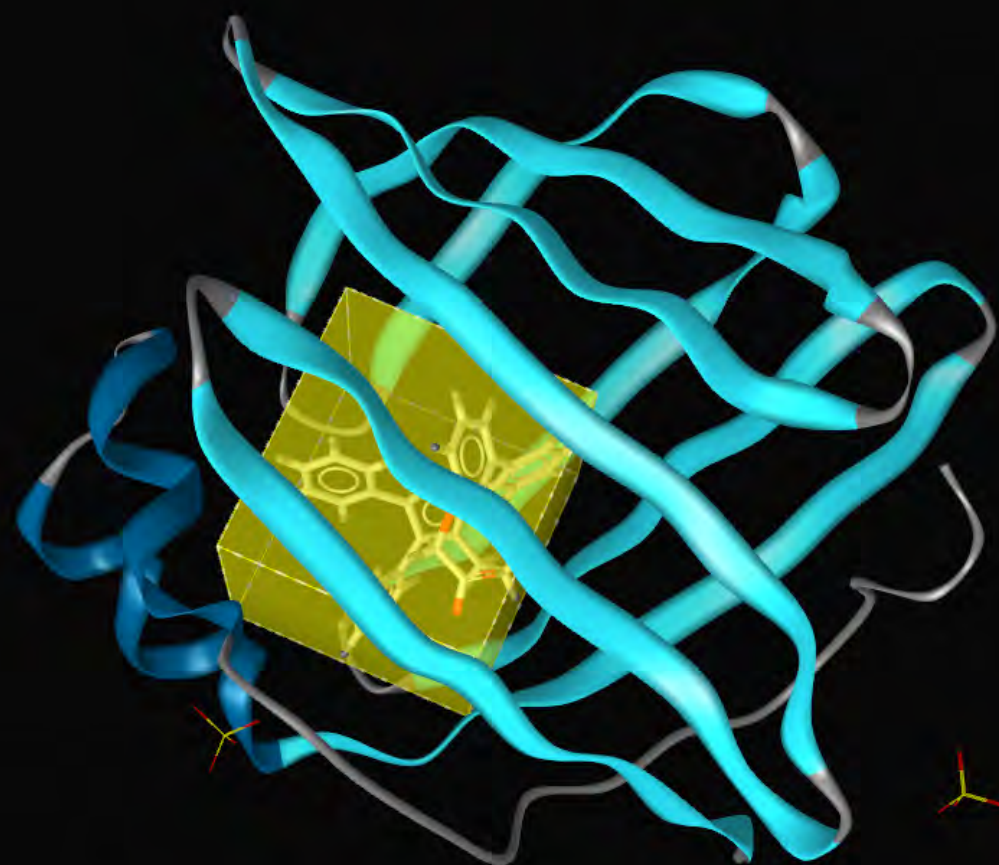
DOCKING reports the binding mode:

	Residue 1																Residue 2																Residue N															
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compound 2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	...	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0																				
compound 3	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	...	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0																				
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compound n	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	...	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0																				

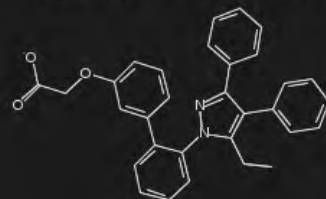
} Data matrix

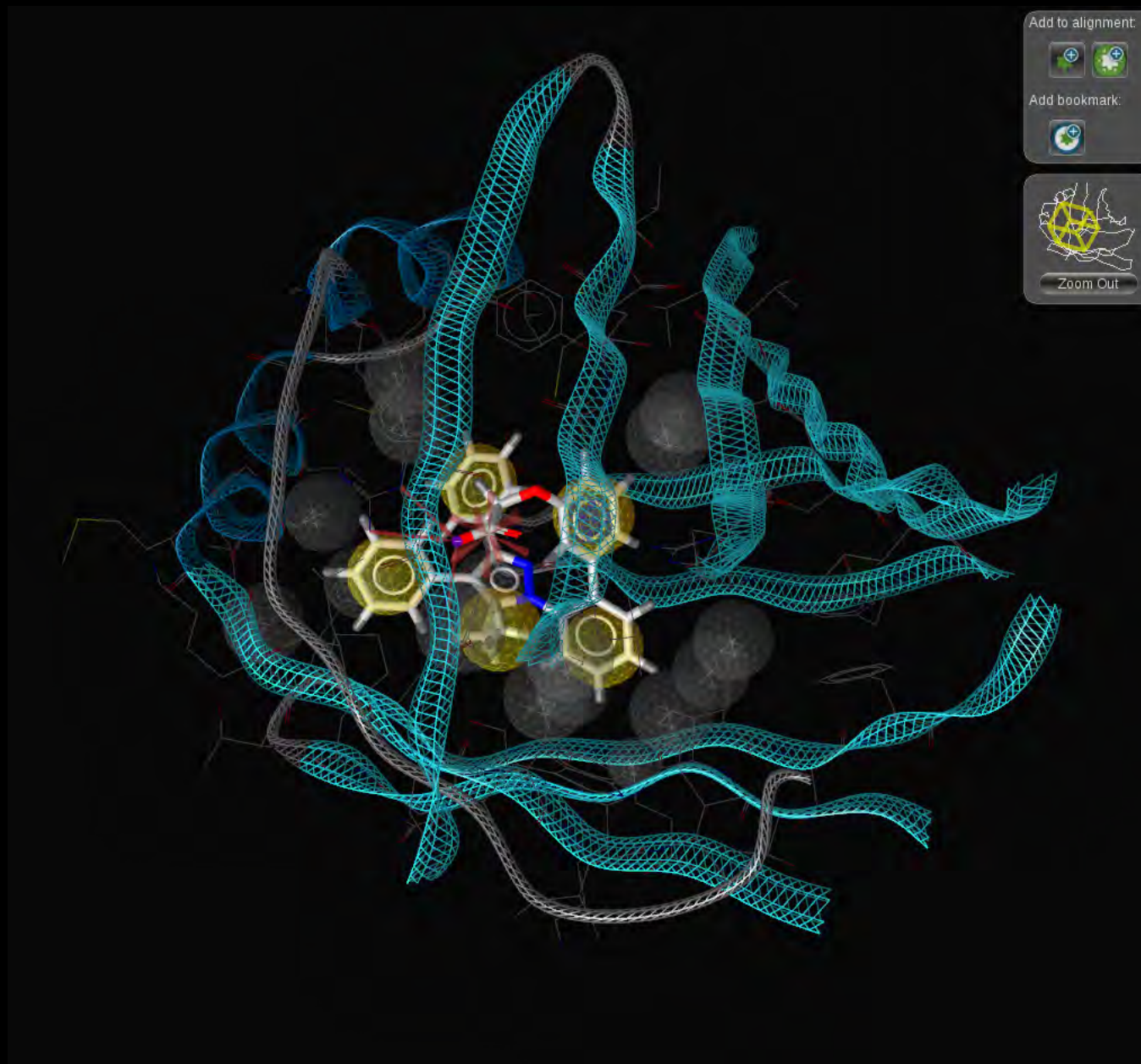


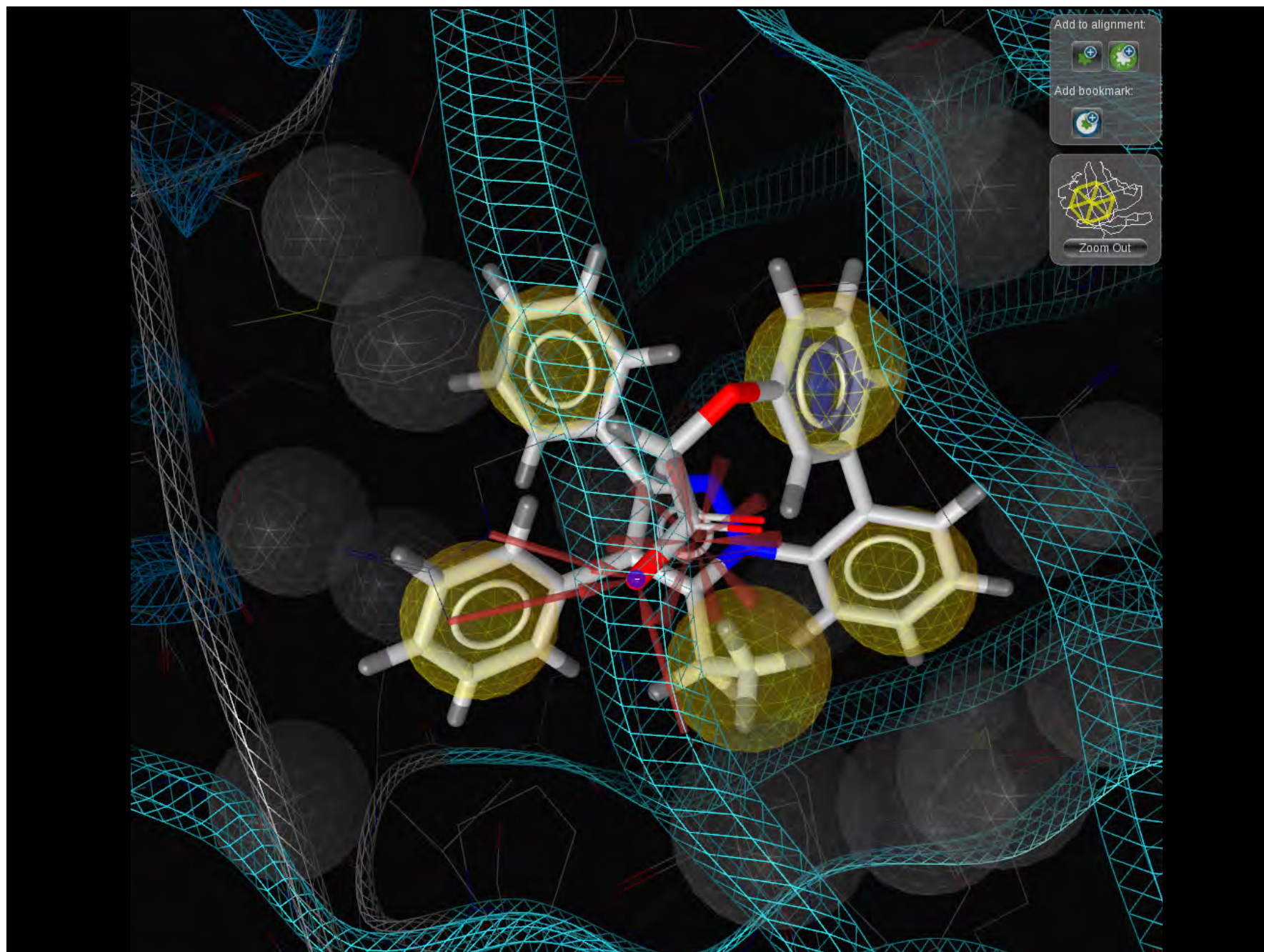
- Bit 1 = whether it is in contact with the ligand.
- Bit 2 = whether any main chain atom is involved in the contact.
- Bit 3 = whether any side chain atom is involved in the binding.
- Bit 4 = whether a polar interaction is involved.
- Bit 5 = whether a non-polar interaction is involved.
- Bit 6 = whether the residue provides hydrogen bond acceptor(s).
- Bit 7 = whether it provides hydrogen bond donor(s).
- Bit 8 = whether a aromatic interaction is involved.
- Bit 9 = whether a charge interaction is involved.

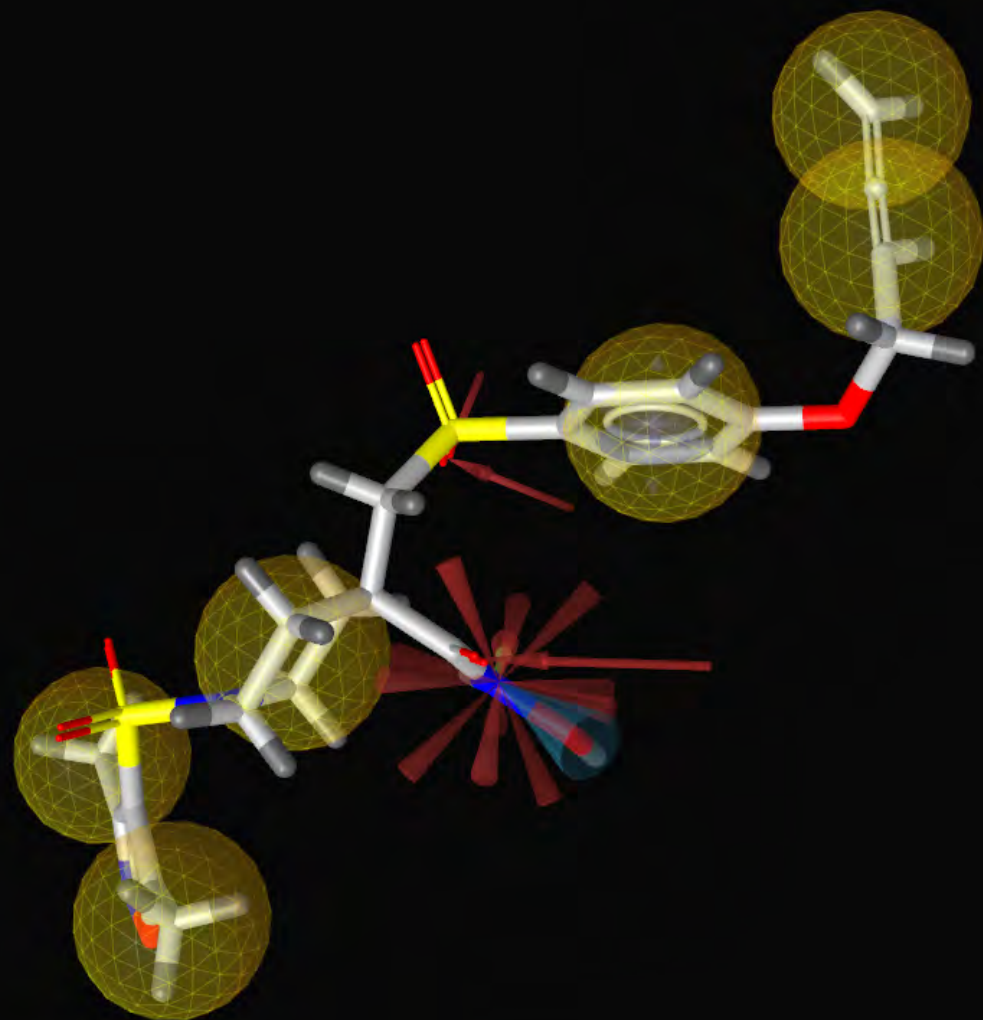


Ligand: [A] T4B293 (click to focus)







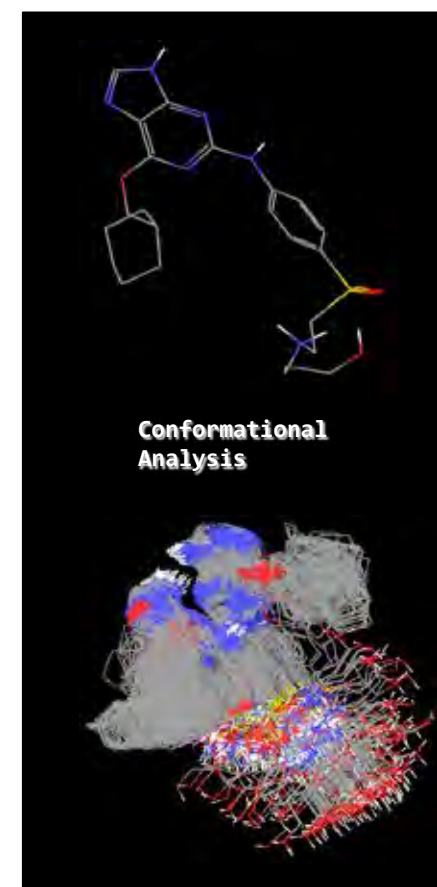
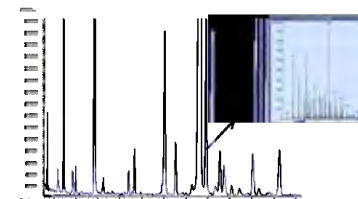


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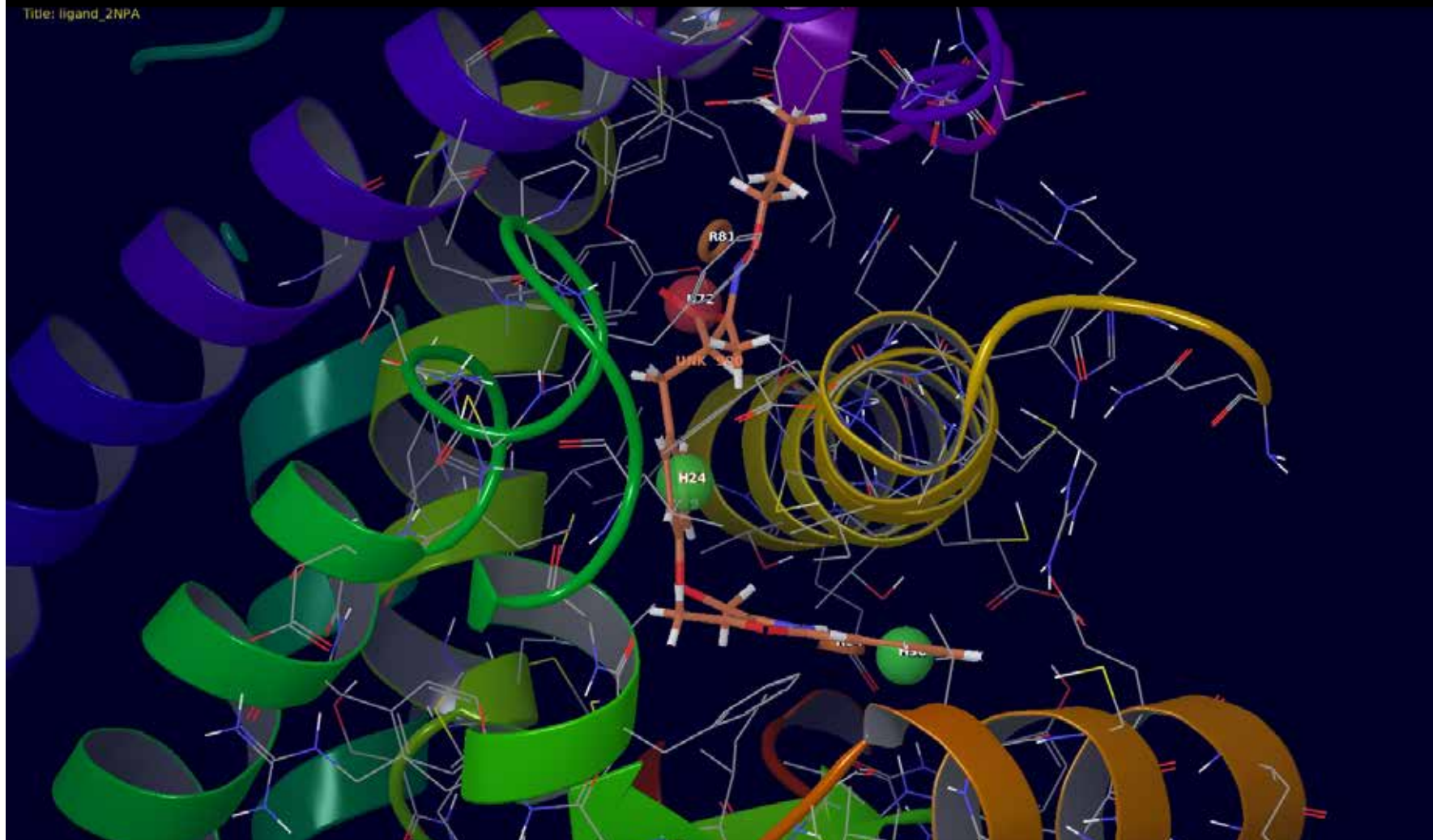
### 3.- Preparation of samples (list of compounds to study)

- |   |              |
|---|--------------|
| 1.- Characterization of the sample (Analytical Unit)                  | 24 comp.     |
| 2.- Generation of all the possible metabolites <i>in silico</i>       | 1.000 comp.  |
| 3.- Preparation of compounds  | 3.000 comp.  |
| - Converting 2D structures in 3D                                      |              |
| - Compounds at pH=7 ± 2   |              |
| - Generation of tautomers   |              |
| - Generation of stereoisomers   |              |
| 4.- Generation of all the possible conformers                         | 14.000 comp. |
| 5.- Additional research of bibliographic metabolites is done as well. |              |

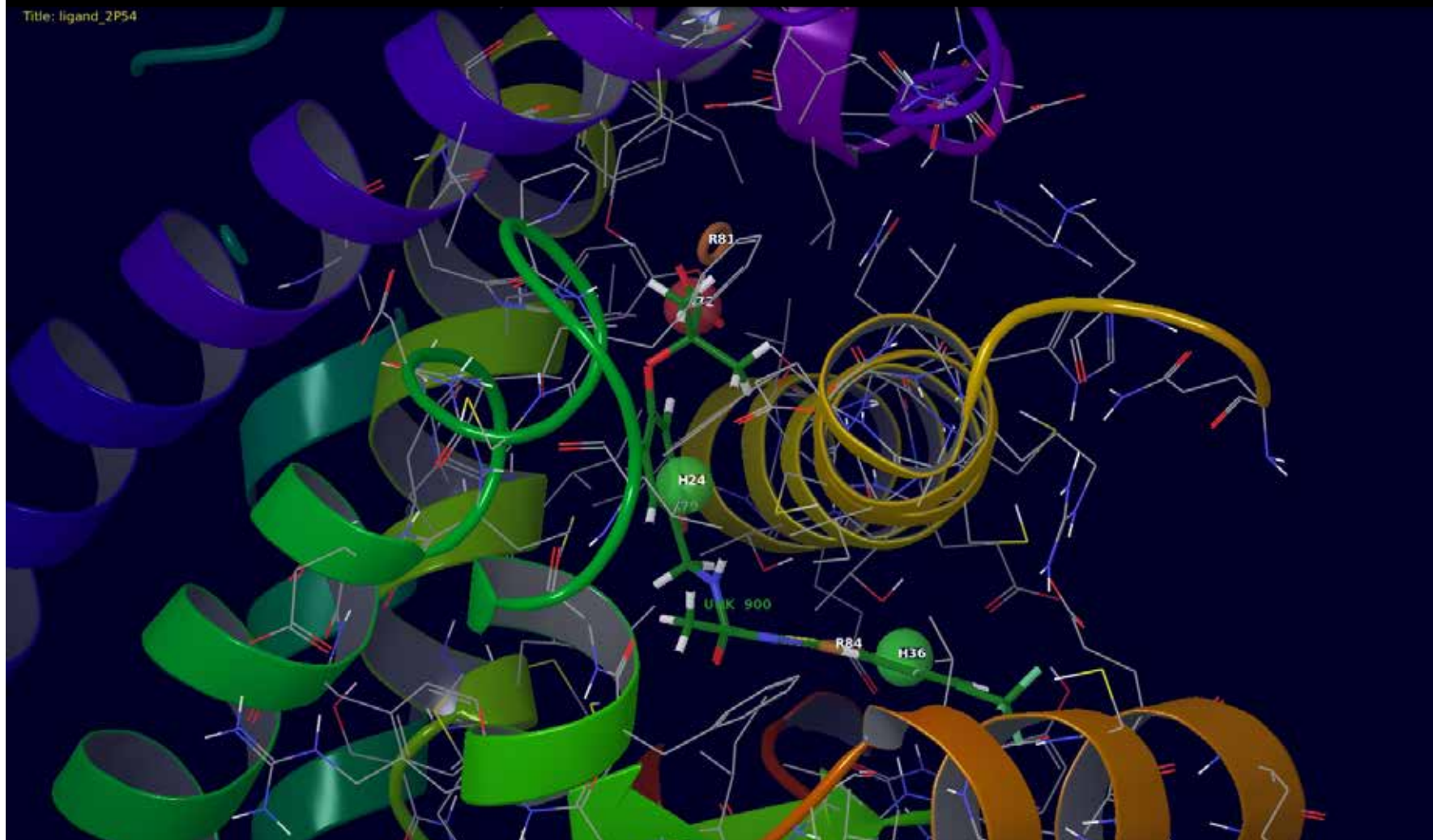
Finally, all the interaction models are generated by **docking** (sample).



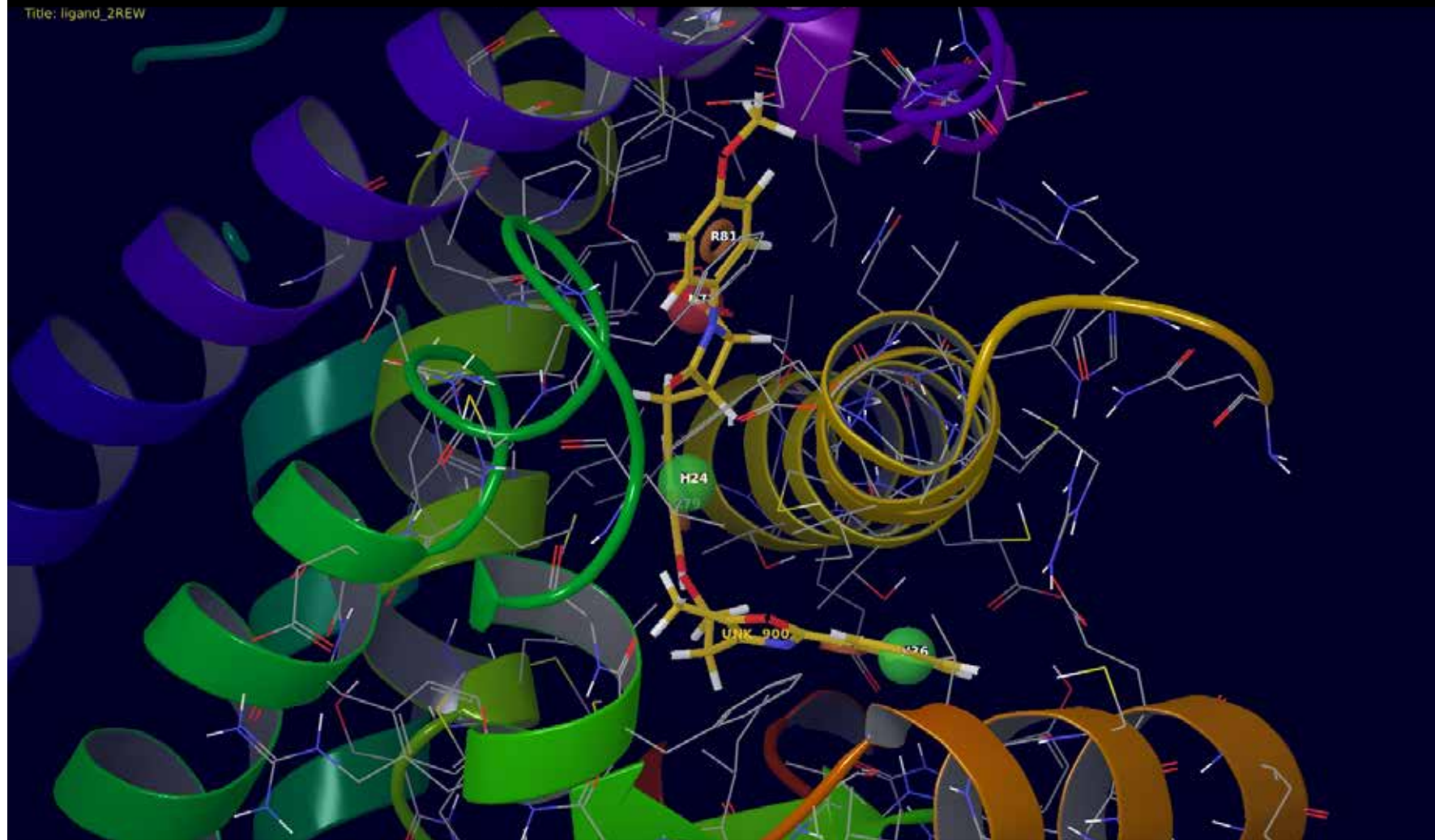
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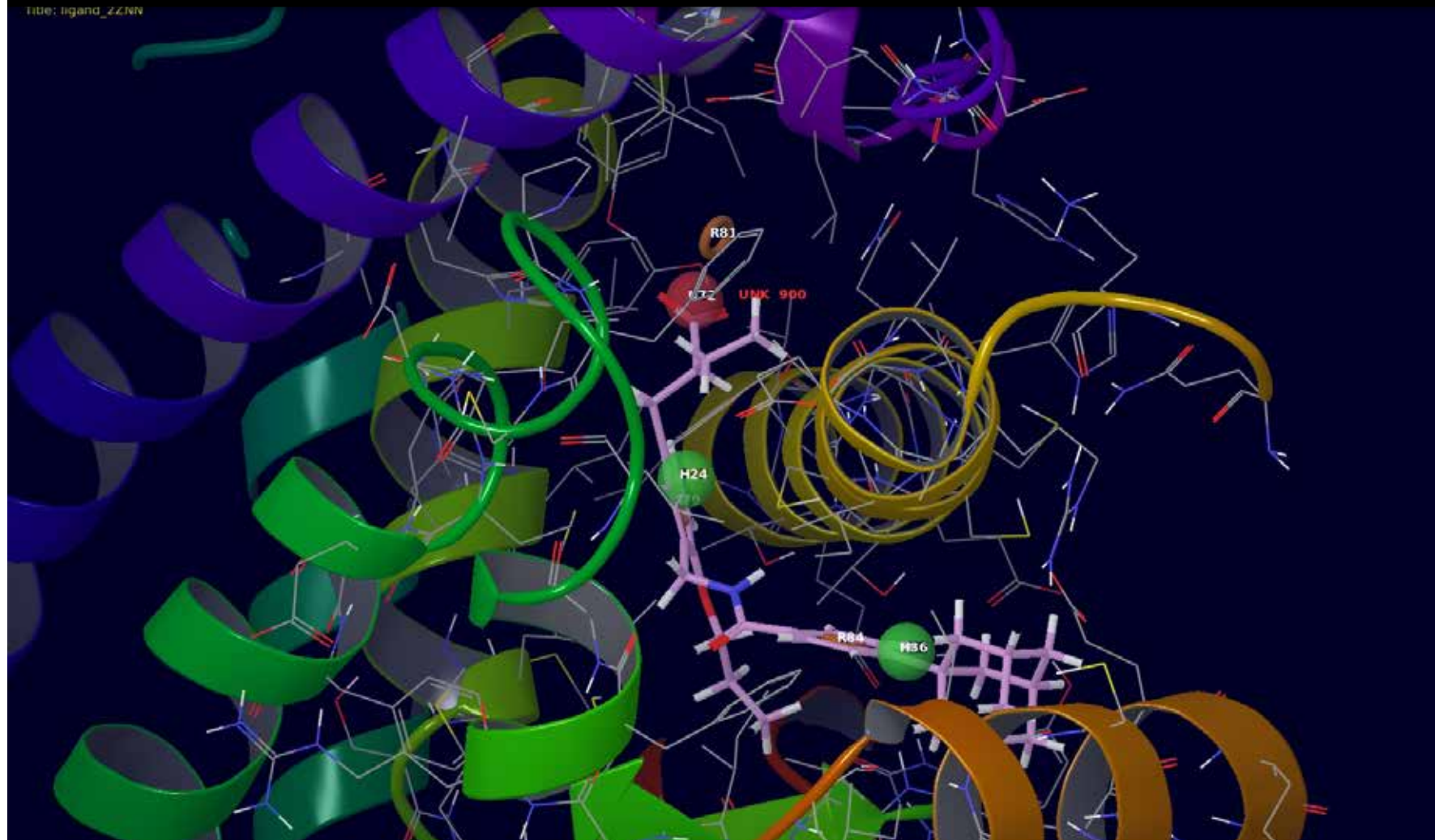
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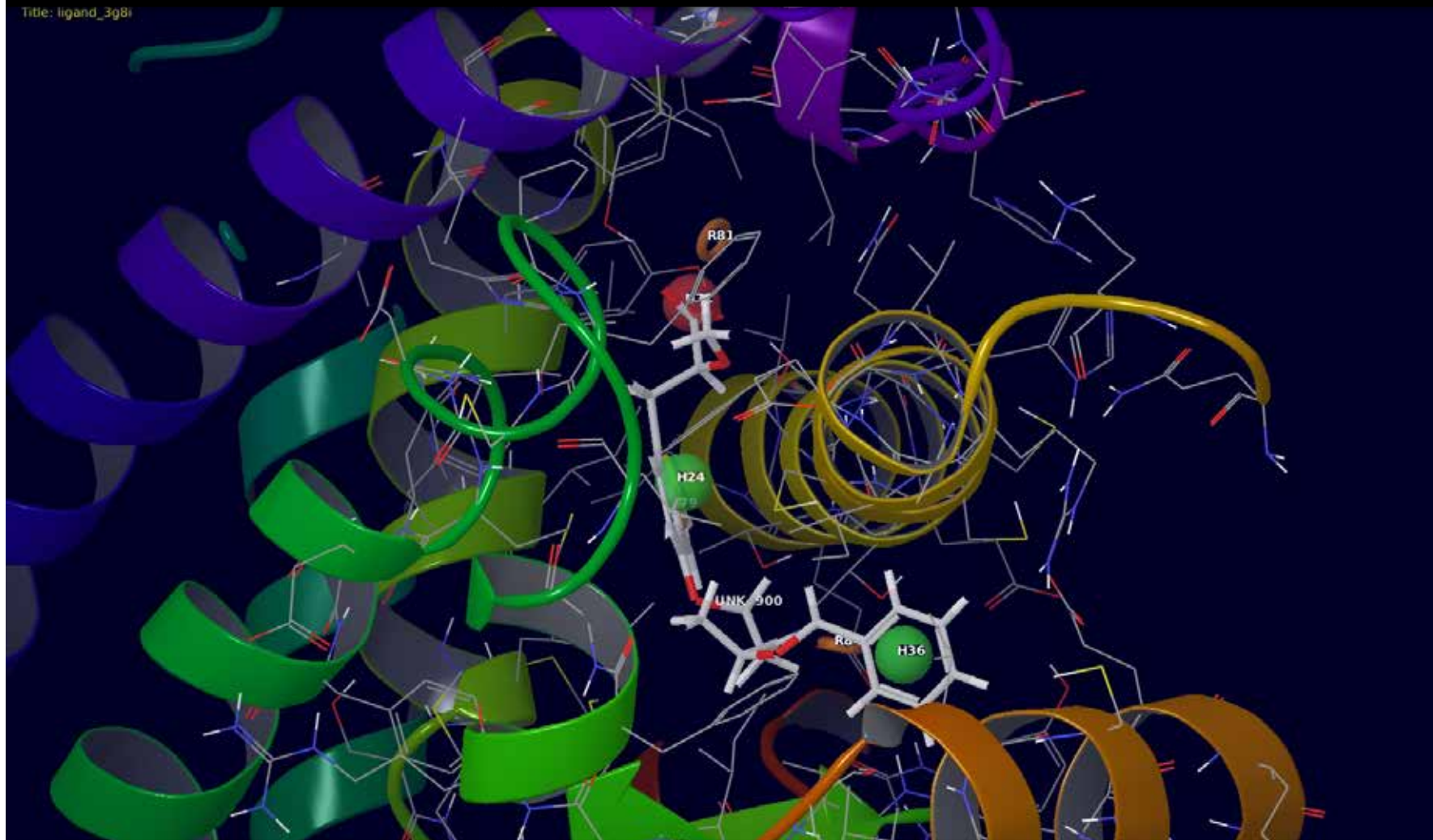
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RDE: ligand\_zz1vN

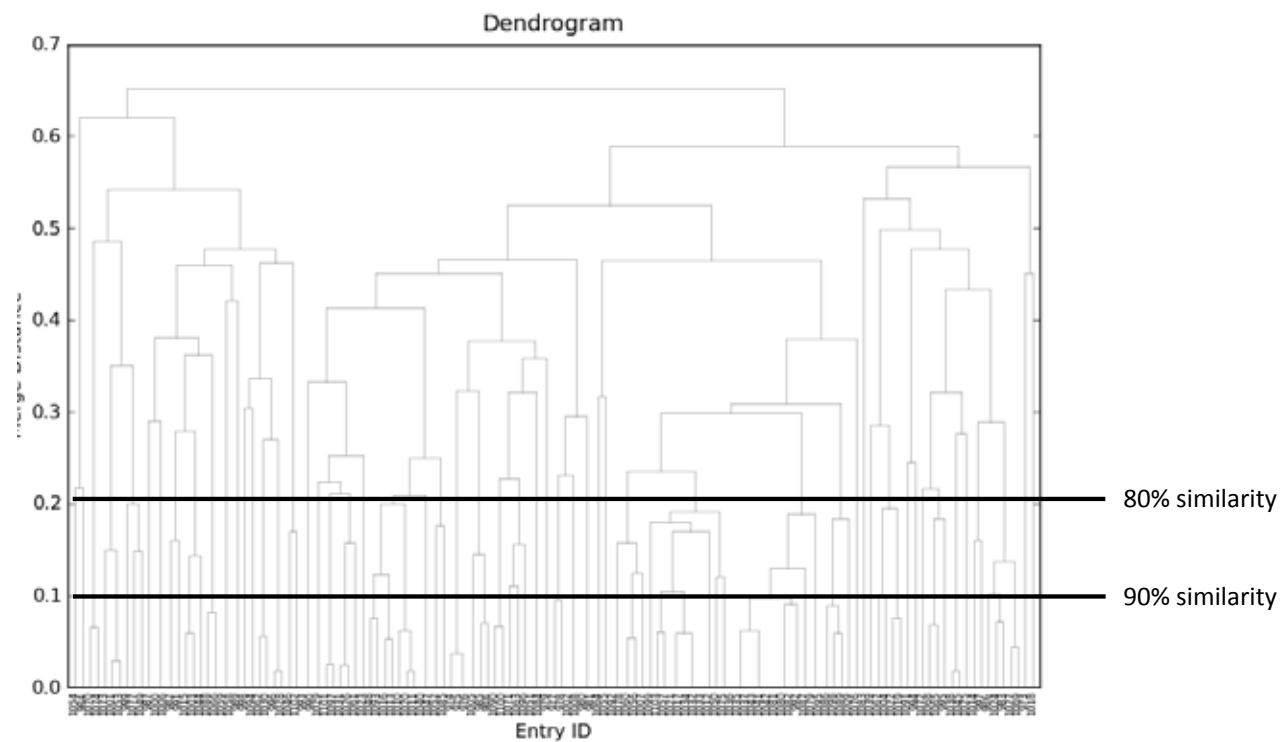


Title: ligand\_3g8i



### 4.- Prediction of our sample

- 14.000 compound vs targets.
- Compare binding mode of sample versus active compounds by **clustering**



## Methodology (structure-based)

Row	Stars	In	Title
[12]			Cluster 1
242			Beta-caroteno224
243			Beta-caroteno225
[11]			Cluster 2
244			vanillic
[1]			Cluster 3
245			catechin_15
[4]			Cluster 4
246			homovanillic acid
247			metab_pcnogenol1
248			homovanillic
249			3,4 dihydroxyphenylacetic
[3]			Cluster 5
250			a_hydroxyphenylpropionic
251			phenylacetic
252			metab_pcnogenol2
[1]			Cluster 6
253			Beta-caroteno243
[1]			Cluster 7
254			syringic
[1]			Cluster 8
255			phenylpropionic
[1]			Cluster 9
256			a_hydroxyphenylpropionic
[1]			Cluster 10
257			a_hydroxyphenylacetic
[1]			Cluster 11
258			taxifolin_15
[1]			Cluster 12
259			a_hydroxybenzoic
[6]			Cluster 13
260			Procyanidin_C1_66
261			procyanidin_B1_53
262			procyanidin_B3_53
263			Procyanidin_C1_67
264			procyanidin_B1_54
265			procyanidin_B3_54

All these compounds will have a similar binding mode (90%)

Row	Stars	In	Title
[11]			Cluster 19
273			Taxifolin_6_C-glucoside_37
[1]			Cluster 20
274			Procyanidin_C1_57
[1]			Cluster 21
275			Taxifolin_6_C-glucoside_21
[3]			Cluster 22
276			procyanidin_B3_41
277			procyanidin_B1_48
278			procyanidin_B3_48
[1]			Cluster 23
279			Procyanidin_C1_58
[4]			Cluster 24
280			taxifolin_10
281			catechin_9
282			taxifolin_7
283			(-)-epigallocatechin
[1]			Cluster 25
284			taxifolin_21
[1]			Cluster 26
285			taxifolin
[3]			Cluster 27
286			taxifolin_14
287			Beta-caroteno218
288			lycopene59
[2]			Cluster 28
289			taxifolin_19
290			hippuric
[1]			Cluster 29
291			p_coumaric
[1]			Cluster 30
292			(-)-catechin
[2]			Cluster 31
293			arginina14
294			arginina19
[11]			Cluster 32
295			40methylgallic
296			gallic
297			Procyanidin_C1_65
298			homovanillic acid_1
299			homovanillic acid_5
300			homovanillic acid_17
301			p_hydroxyphenylacetic
302			procyanidin_B1_52
303			procyanidin_B3_52
304			acid_gallic
305			protocatechuic
[1]			Cluster 33
306			catechin_1

(-) epigallocatechin is a known inhibitor of FABP4 and taxifolin\_10, taxifolin\_7 and catechin\_9 have similar binding mode (90%)

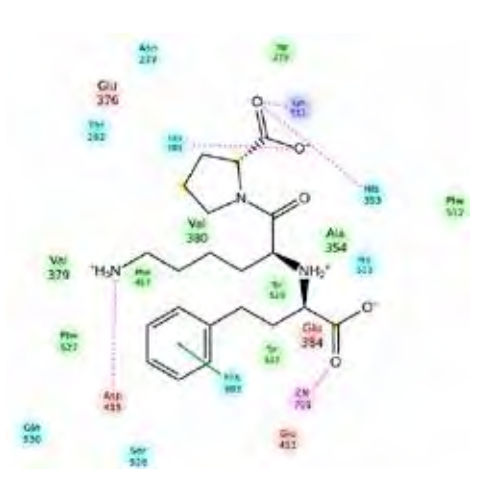


Taxifolin\_10, taxifolin\_7 and catechin\_9 would have the same effect as (-) epigallocatechin

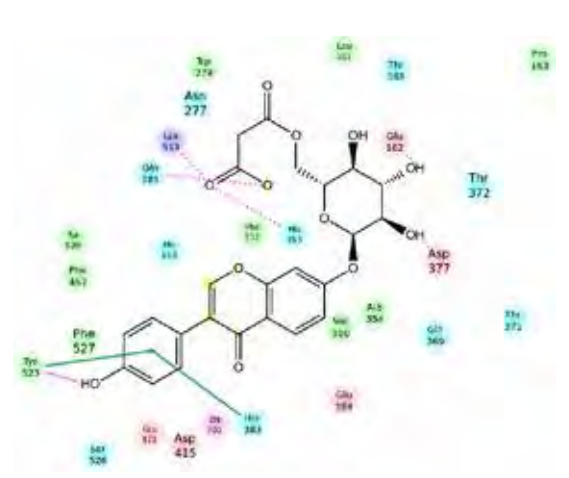
## Results

### ACE

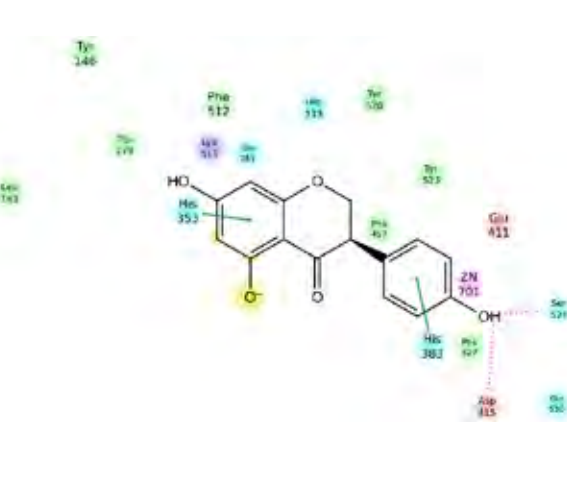
Clusters (dendrogram)	nombre del compuesto	puro/metabolito	similitud %
clúster 30	Bioactivo del complejo cristalográfico 2C6N	--	100
	Malonyldaidzin	Puro (soja)	85.7
	(R)-Dihydrogenistein	Metabolito	79.4
	O-Desmethylangolensin	Metabolito	78.1
	(S)-Equol	Metabolito	75.7
	Daidzein	Puro (soja)	74.6
	Genistein	Puro (soja)	74.6
	Dihydroequol	Metabolito	73.1



a) Bioactivo del complejo cristalográfico 2C6N



b) Malonyldaidzin

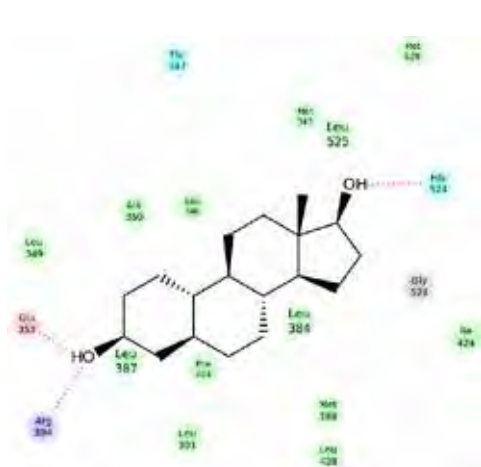


c) (R)-Dihydrogenistein

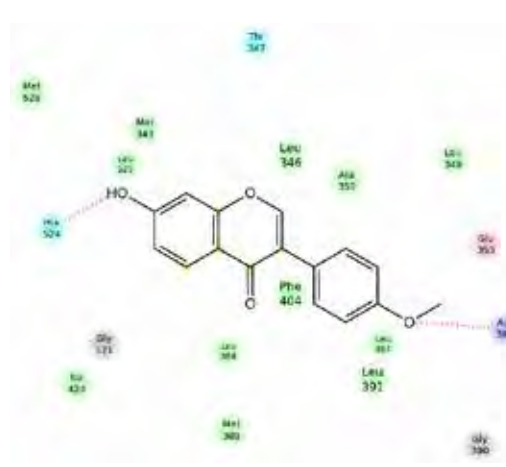
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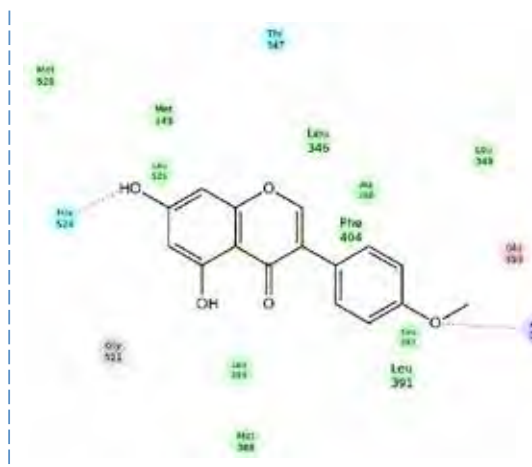
Clusters (dendograma)	nombre del compuesto	puro/metabolito	similitud %
clúster 249	Bioactivo del complejo cristalográfico 1GWQ	---	100
	O-desmethylangolensin	Metabolito	84
	Genistein	Puro (soja)	83
	(R)-dihydrodaidzein	Metabolito	83
clúster 488	Bioactivo del complejo cristalográfico 1L2I	---	100
	(R)-dihydrogenistein	Metabolito	79
	(S)-dihydrogenistein	Metabolito	78
clúster 485	Bioactivo del complejo cristalográfico 1GWR	---	100
	Formononetin	Puro (trébol rojo)	92
	Biochanin A	Puro (trébol rojo)	92
	(S)-dihydrodaidzein	Metabolito	78



a) Bioactivo del complejo cristalográfico 1GWR



b) Formononetin



c) Biochanin A



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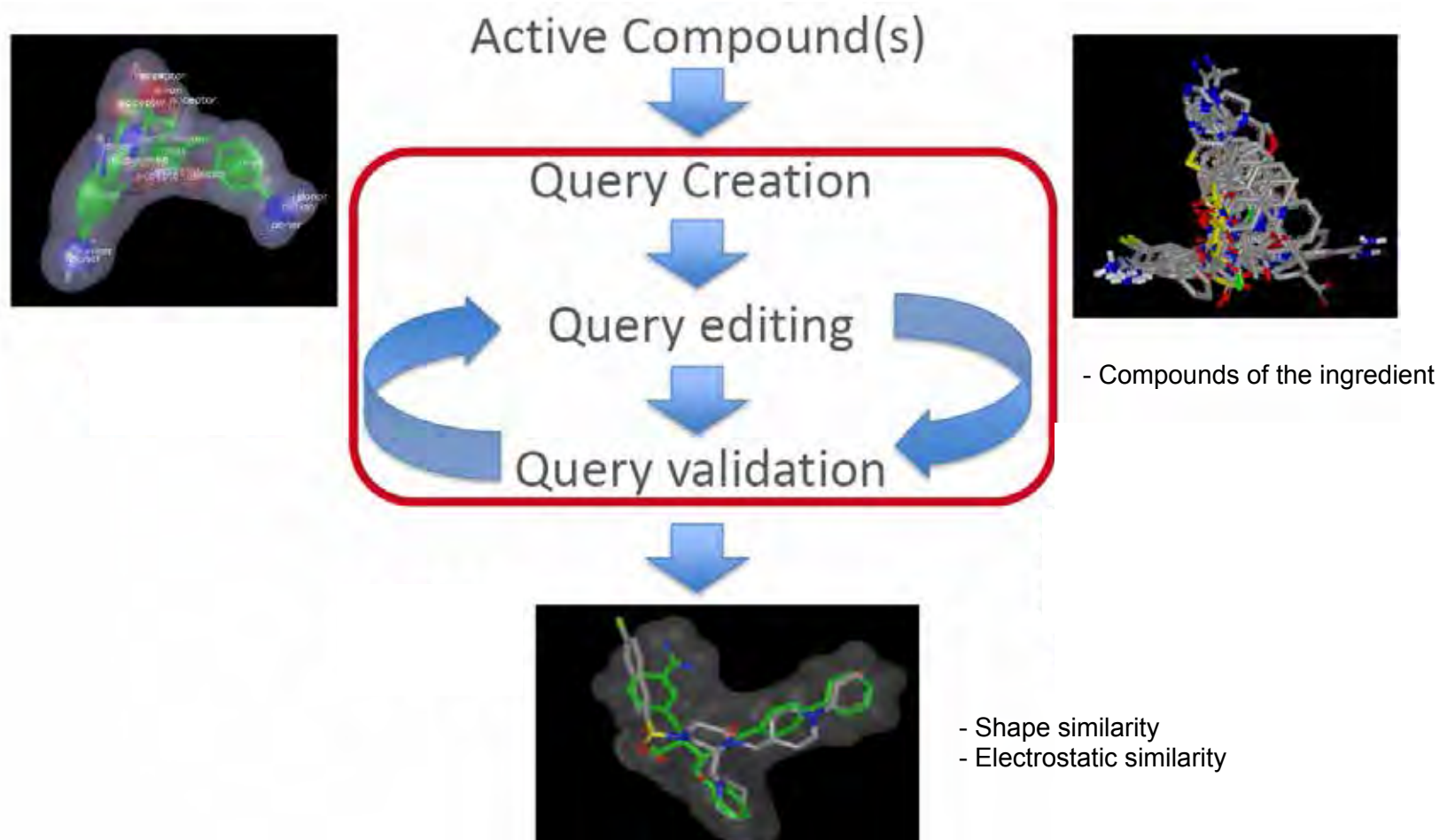


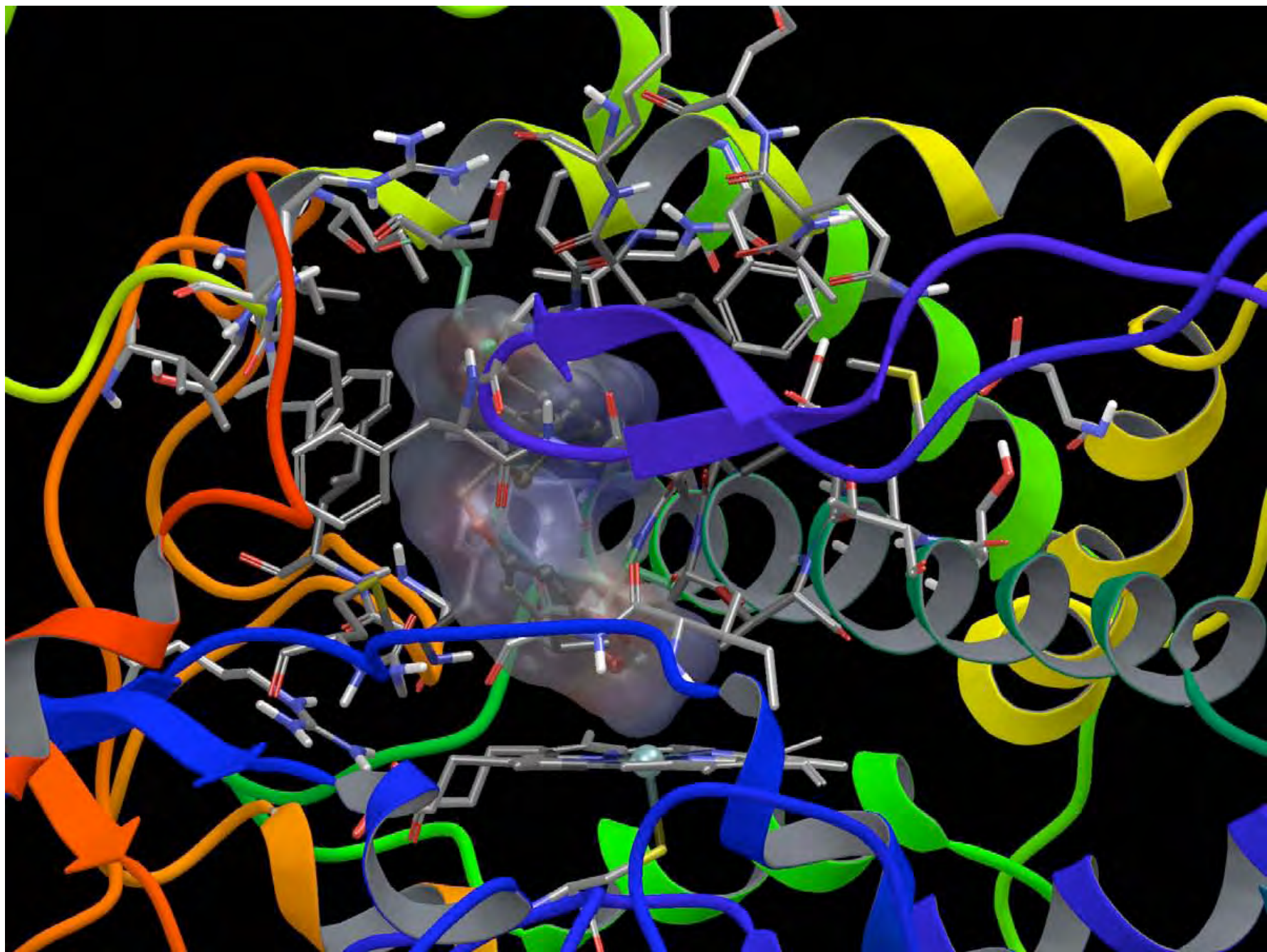
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