

Exploiting systems chemical biology to predict and understand **unexpected** drug effects

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"Well, the drug's no good, but the side effects are bitchin'."

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- Our approach
- Results & Wrap-up



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# Why deal with this topic?

Troglitazone	1997	2000	Diabetes	Acute liver failure
Cerivastatin	1997	2001 (2002)*	Cholesterol lowering	Rhabdomyolysis Drug-drug interactions
Rapacuronium	1999	2001	Anaesthesia	Bronchospasm
Levomethadyl	1993	2003	Opiate dependence	Fatal arrhythmia
Rofecoxib	1999	2004	Pain relief	Heart attack; stroke
Valdecoxib	2001	2005	Pain relief	Skin reactions (SJS)
Natalizumab*	2004	2005 (2006)*	Multiple sclerosis	Brain infection
Technetium (99m Tc) fanolesomab	2004	2005	Diagnostic aid	Cardiopulmonary arrest
Pemoline	1975	2005	Attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder	Liver failure
Pergolide	1988	2007	Parkinson's disease	Valvulopathy
Tegaserod	2002	2007	Irritable bowel syndrome with constipation	Angina; heart attack; stroke

## *Kathleen M. Giacomini, et al.* When good drugs go bad *Nature* **446/2007**, 975-977

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### Why deal with this topic?

#### Unexpected side effect

#### Detrimental

#### **Beneficial**

Table 2: Examples of reprofiled drugs that are marketed or in the late stages of development					
able 1. F	Drug	Original indication	Reprofiled indication	Brand name	
ar	Apomorphine	Parkinson's disease	Erectile dysfunction	Uprima®	
1998	Bupropion	Depression	Smoking cessation (1)	Zyban®	
9 0	Duluxetine	Depression	Stress urinary incontinence	Cymbalta®	
1	Finasteride	Prostate hyperplasia	Male-pattern baldness	Propecia*	
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	Mycophenolate mofetil	Transplanted organ rejection,	Lupus nephritis (3) Pemphigus vulgaris (4)	CellCept®	
ore, T.	Ropinirole	Hypertension	Parkinson's disease, primary restless legs syndrome	Requip <sup>®</sup>	
	Sildenafil	Hypertension, angina	Erectile dysfunction	Viagra®	
	Thalidomide	Emesis	Erythema nodosum leprosum (5) Multiple myeloma (6)	Thalomid®	

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### A simplified overview – molecules in man



Adapted from Julia M. Gohlke and Christopher J. Portier Environ Health Perspect 115:1261–1263 (2007)

### And "all of them" interact ...



#### *Chaurasia G, et al. Nucleic Acids Res. 35 Database issue:D590-4, 2007.*

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### Linking side effects to targets in chemical space



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# Data modeling: Naïve Bayesian (NB) with ECFP fingerprints for handling data

- ECFP: interpretable and can be linked with substructures
- NB: Naive Bayes is uniquely suited for AE modeling, as it treats features independently and thus can handle multiple MoAs and targets per AE
- **NB+ECFP**: strong track record from *in silico* HTS analyses







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#### Venn Diagram of feature overlap



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### ~2000 targets x 3300 side effects – The Pearson correlation matrix







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# Targets linked to most AEs with Pearson cutoff (not necessarily severe)



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- This is the target with most correlations to AEs in chemical space
- Serpin peptidase inhibitor, clade A, member 6 (antitrypsin)
- Alpha-globulin protein with corticosteroid-binding properties
- major transport protein for glucorticoids and progestins in the blood of most vertebrates

### Side effects linked to SERPINA6 in chemical space

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# Drugs known to interact with SERPINA6

Accession No	Common Name	Chemical Formula	Molecular Weight		
DD00400	Flunisolide	C24H31F06	434.4977		
<u>DR00180</u>	SERPINA6				
	Alclometasone	C28H37CIO7	521.0422		
<u>DD00240</u>	SERPINA6				
DB00253	Medrysone	C22H32O3	344.4877		
	SERPINA6				
DB00324	Fluorometholone	C22H29FO4	376.4617		
	SERPINA6				
	Beclomethasone	C22H29CIO5	408.9157		
<u>DD00394</u>	SERPINA6				
DB00588	Fluticasone Propionate	C25H31F3O5S	500.5709		
<u>JB00300</u>	SERPINA6				
DB00501	Fluocinolone Acetonide	C24H30F2O6	452.4882		
<u>DD00331</u>	SERPINA6				
	Halobetasol Propionate	C25H31CIF2O5	484.9604		
<u>DD000300</u>	SERPINA6				
	Triamcinolone	C21H27F06	394.4339		
<u>DD00020</u>	SERPINA6				
	Mitotane	C14H10Cl4	320.0412		
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	Flumethasone Pivalate	C27H36F2O6	494.5679		
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2000040	SERPINA6				
DR00860	Prednisolone	C21H28O5	360.4440		
<u></u>	SERPINA6				
	Rimexolone	C24H34O3	370.5250		
<u></u>	SERPINA6				
DB01047	Fluocinonide	C26H32F2O7	494.5249		
	SERPINA6				
DB01384	Paramethasone	C22H29F05	392.4611		
	SERPINA6				
DB01410	Ciclesonide	C32H44O7	540.6876		
0001410	SERPINA6				

#### Source: DrugBank

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- Mostly Corticosteroids
- PharmaPendium: The side effects related to SERPINA6 are the common Corticosteroid side effects
- Reason: drug-induced Cushing's disease (see e.g. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Corticosteroid)



### SERPINA6 as drug target

- This means inducing Cushing's disease
- Where is this helpful?

There's one non-corticosteroid in the list of compounds interacting with SERPINA6:

DB00648	Mitotane	C14H	10014	320.0412
	SERPINA6			
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### Adrenocortical carcinoma

- Mitotane Chemotherapy for tumors that cannot be treated with surgery
- Toxic to cells in adrenal cortex, inhibits steroid synthesis
- SERPINA6 "transport capabilities" are taken advantage of

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### Leveraging pathways – An example



They do not have a single common target predicted





Ok, can we still find something?

- Top 5 pathways for Hypotension as AE (predicted targets linked to pathways in Novartis Pathway DB):
- (1) Glutamate receptor signalling ? ( )
- (2) ACE-system
- (3) FAS signaling
- (4) Nitrogen metabolism
- (5) "Gap junctions"

### An example



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### Another example

#### Cerivastatin

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

In pharmacology, cerivastatin (Baycol®, Lipobay®) is a synthetic member of the class of statins, used to lower cholesterol and prevent cardiovascular disease. It was withdrawn from the market in 2001 because of the high rate of serious side-effects.

Cerivastatin was marketed by the pharmaceutical company Bayer A.G. in the late 1990s as a new synthetic statin, to compete with Pfizer's highly successful Lipitor®.

During post-marketing surveillance, 52 deaths were reported in patients using cerivastatin, mainly from rhabdomyolysis and its resultant renal failure.<sup>[1]</sup> Risks were higher in patients using fibrates (mainly gemfibrozil/Lopid®) and in patients using the high (0.8 mg/day) dose of cerivastatin. Another 385 nonfatal cases of rhabdomyolysis were reported. This put the risk of this (rare) complication at 5-10 times that of the other statins.

In 2001, Bayer announced the voluntary withdrawal of the drug from the market.



Predicted AE	Bayes Score
Colour blindness	87.15
Muscle enzyme increased	87.15
Systemic lupus erythematosus	75.26
Myopathy	68.30
Neuropathy	64.17
Diplopia	63.31
Rhabdomyolysis	62.21
Neuropathy peripheral	60.54
Myositis	60.03
Sleep disorder	58.94
Thyroid function test abnormal	58.30
Myasthenic syndrome	54.41
Nodule	53.31
Hepatic enzyme increased	52.51
Peripheral nerve palsy	52.51
Facial paresis	51.13
Polymyalgia rheumatica	51.01
Cranial nerve disorder	50.58
Dermatomyositis	50.51
Biliary cirrhosis	50.30
Ophthalmoplegia	50.07
Extraocular muscle disorder	49.74
Neuralgia	49.29
Renal impairment	48.77
Loss of libido	48.71
Arthritis	48.47
Mucosal dryness	48.45
Erectile dysfunction	48.32
Antinuclear antibody positive	46.92
Duodenal ulcer	46.30
Alanine aminotransferase increased	46.02
Blood creatine phosphokinase increased	45.42
Laboratory test abnormal	45.36
Hepatic neoplasm malignant	45.12
Red blood cell sedimentation rate increased	44.75
Carcinoma	44.70
Myoglobinuria	44.38
Hypertonia	44.31
Gastroenteritis	43.84

#### Another example

#### Rhabdomyolysis per 10000 Person-Years of Therapy With Lipid-Lowering Drugs Used as Monotherapy or as Combination Therapy With Another Drug

**Table 3.** Rhabdomyolysis per 10000 Person-Years of Therapy With Lipid-Lowering Drugs

 Used as Monotherapy or as Combination Therapy With Another Drug

		Combination Therapy		
Drug	Monotherapy, Incidence Rates (95% CI)	Combination	Incidence Rates (95% CI)	
Atorvastatin	0.54 (0.22-1.12)	Atorvastatin + fenofibrate	22.45 (0.57-125)	
Cerivastatin	5.34 (1.46-13.68)	Cerivastatin + gemfibrozil	1035 (389-2117)	
Pravastatin	0 (0-1.11)	No cases	0 (0-67.71)	
Simvastatin	0.49 (0.06-1.76)	Simvastatin + gemfibrozil	18.73 (0.47-104)	
Fenofibrate	0 (0-14.58)	Fenofibrate + atorvastatin	16.86 (0.43-93.60)	
Gemfibrozil	3.70 (0.76-10.82)	Gemfibrozil + cerivastatin	789 (166-2138)	

Abbreviation: Cl, confidence interval.

Graham, D. J. et al. JAMA 2004;292:2585-2590.

### Rhabdomyolysis

#### Causes

Anything that destroys muscle tissue can cause rhabdomyolysis. The causes of rhabdomyolysis can be classified as either physical or non-physical. Physical rhabdomyolysis is in some situations confined to a particular area of the body, while rhabdomyolysis due to other causes tends to affect all muscles simultaneously.<sup>[1]</sup>

#### Physical causes

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gery, generally

Recognized physical causes for rhabdomyolysis are:[1]

Traumatic compression of muscles: crush syndrome (e.g. in earthquakes), car accident, confinement in a fixed position (e.g. after a stroke, due to drunkenness or in prolonged surgery), physical torture or abuse

various defects in the mitochondrial respiratory chain

- Obstruction of blood supply to mus reduced blood supply in shock or s
- Excessive muscle strain or activity: extreme physical exercise (particularly when poorly hydrated), delirium tremens (alcohol withdrawal), tetanus, prolonged seizures or status epileptic
- Electrical: lightning, high-voltage electric shock, including electrochock weapon injuries<sup>[4]</sup>

#### Non-physical causes



- Disorders of muscle energy supply (usually hereditary enzyme problems): carnitine deficiency, CPT type I or type II deficiency, McArdle's disease, various defects in the mitochondrial respiratory phosphofructokinase deficiency, VLCAD deficiency.<sup>[6]</sup>
- Poisons such as heavy metals and venom from insects or snakes
- Foodborne toxins, e.g. coniine from quail that have consumed hemlock (coturnism),<sup>[6]</sup> Tricholoma equestre mushrooms in France and Poland,<sup>[7]</sup> and an unidentified toxin in fish (Haff disease)<sup>[8]</sup>
- = Drugs of abuse,<sup>(9)</sup> including: ethanol,<sup>(10)</sup> methamphetamines,<sup>(11)</sup> cocaine,<sup>(12)</sup> heroin,<sup>(13)</sup> phencyclidine (PCP),<sup>(14)</sup> ketamine,<sup>(15)</sup> 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA or Ecstasy),<sup>(16)(17)</sup>
- Medications:
  - statins, especially when prescribed in combinations with fibrates. Cerivastatin (Baycol) was withdrawn in 2001 after numerous reports of rhabdomyolysis. Other statins have a small risk of 0.44 cases
    per 10,000 patients annually, which increases to 5.98 if a fibrate is added.<sup>[18]</sup> However, other studies detected no increased risk from statins.<sup>[19]</sup>
  - = anti-psychotic medications may cause neuroleptic malignant syndrome, which can cause severe muscle rigidity, with rhabdomyolysis and hyperpyrexia.
  - neuromuscular blocking agents, used in anasthesia may cause malignant hyperthermia, also associated with rhabdomyolysis.
  - medications that interfere with potassium levels (e.g. diuretics)
- Infections: Coxsackie virus, Plasmodium falciparum (malaria), herpes viruses, Legionella pneumophila, Salmonella and Francisella tularensis (tularemia)
- Electrolyte and metabolic disturbances: increased plasma osmolality, hyper- and hyponatremia (elevated or reduced blood sodium levels), hypokalemia (low potassium levels), hypocalcemia (low calcium level phosphate levels), ketoacidosis (e.g. in diabetes) or hypothyroidism (abnormally low thyroid function)
- Autoimmune muscle damage: polymyositis, dermatomyositis

#### Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rhabdomyolysis

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### Pathways for Cerivastatin and Gemfibrozil

- (1) Steroid metabolism
- (2) Xenobiotic metabolism
- (3) Inflammation\_Neutrophil activation
- (4) Muscle contraction

### One of numerous literature examples

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#### GEMFIBROZIL INHIBITS CYP2C8-MEDIATED CERIVASTATIN METABOLISM IN HUMAN LIVER MICROSOMES

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# 1/3 of Cerivastatin-related deaths were related to co-treatment with Gemfibrozil!

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#### Summary

- Linking side effects to biological cause by chemical space
- Targets and pathways can be identified as most likely reasons (we deal with structural dissimilarity)
- Biological data can be used to validate predictions



### Acknowledgement



... many others!

