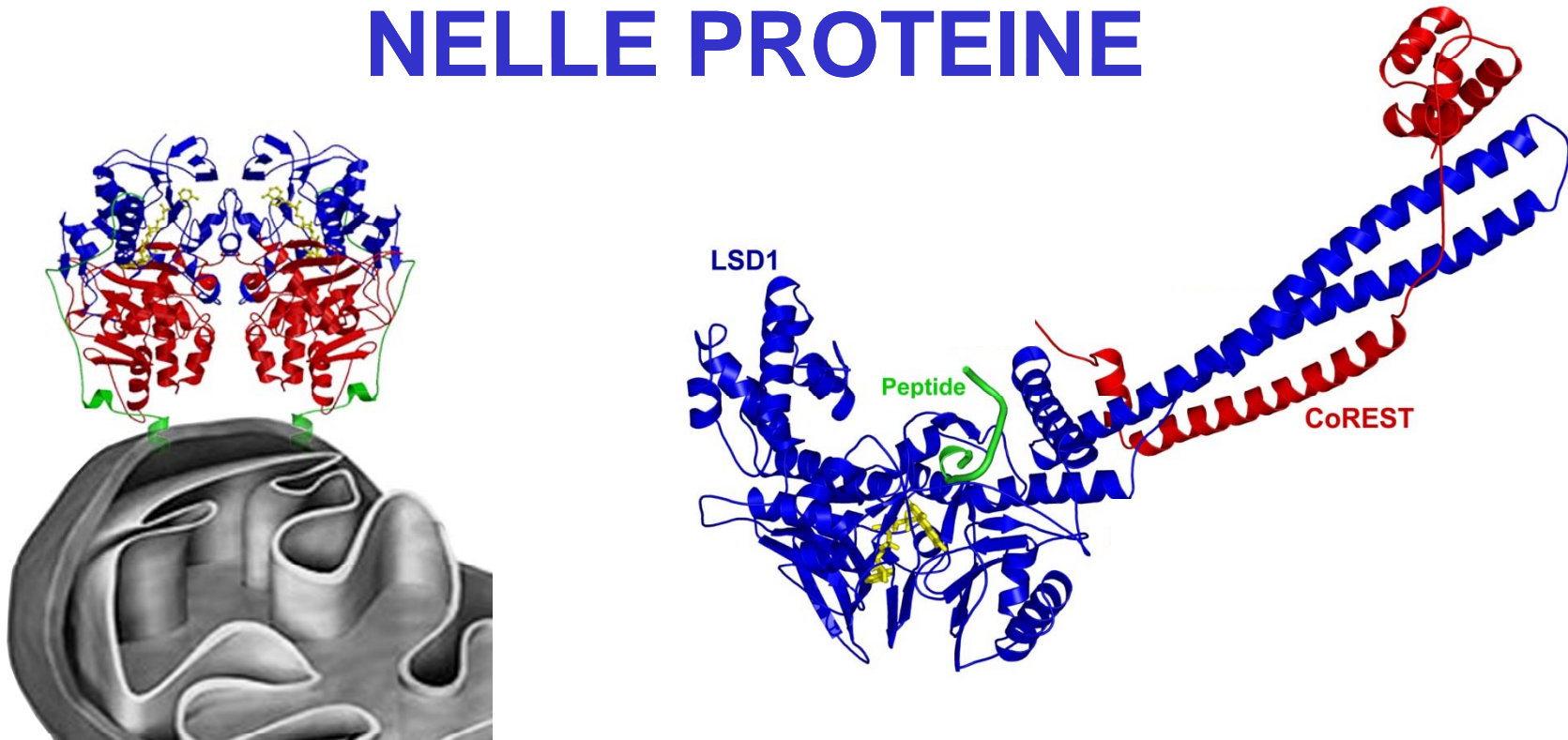


BIOLOGIA STRUTTURALE DEI MECCANISMI DI INTERAZIONE NELLE PROTEINE

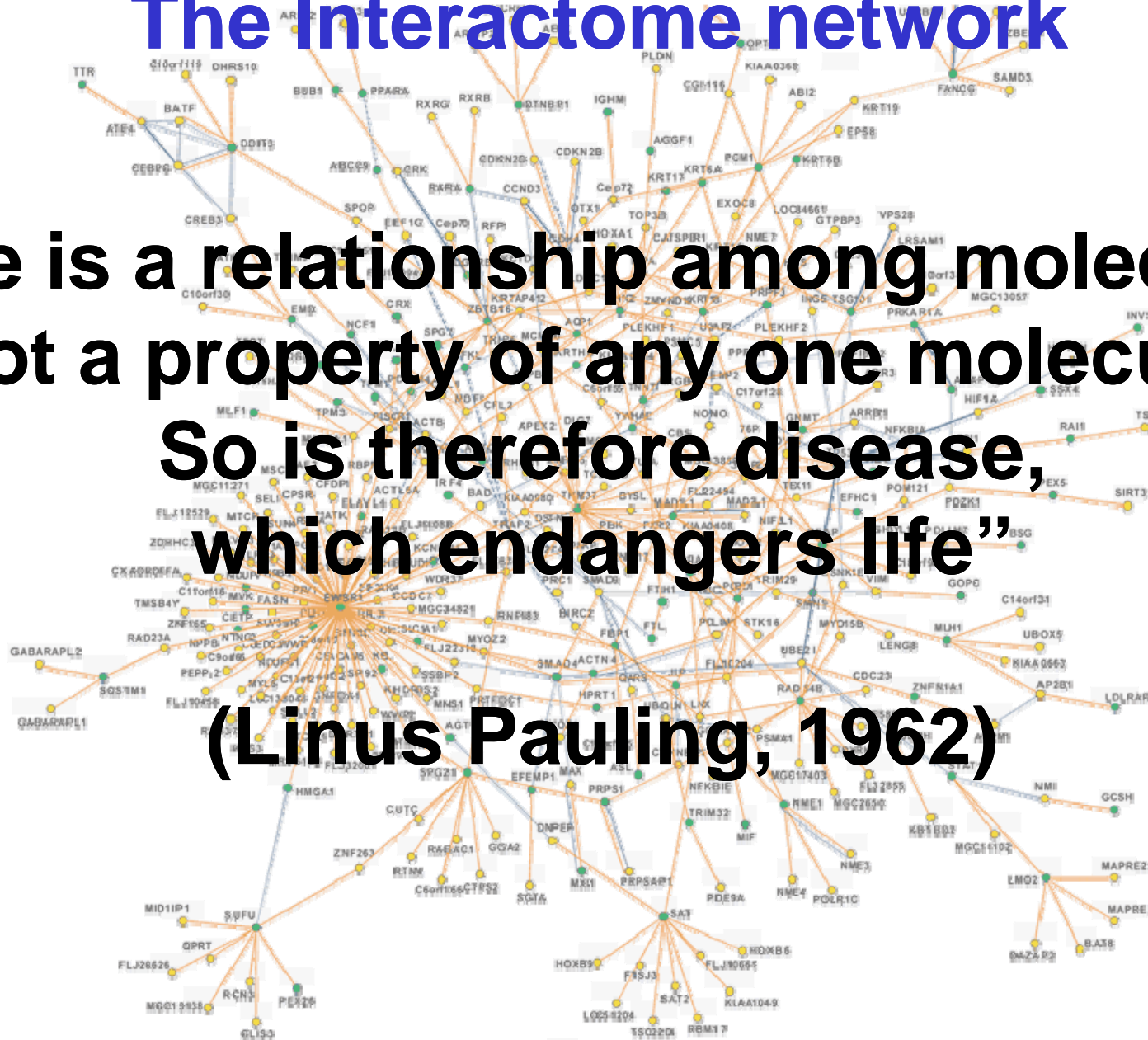


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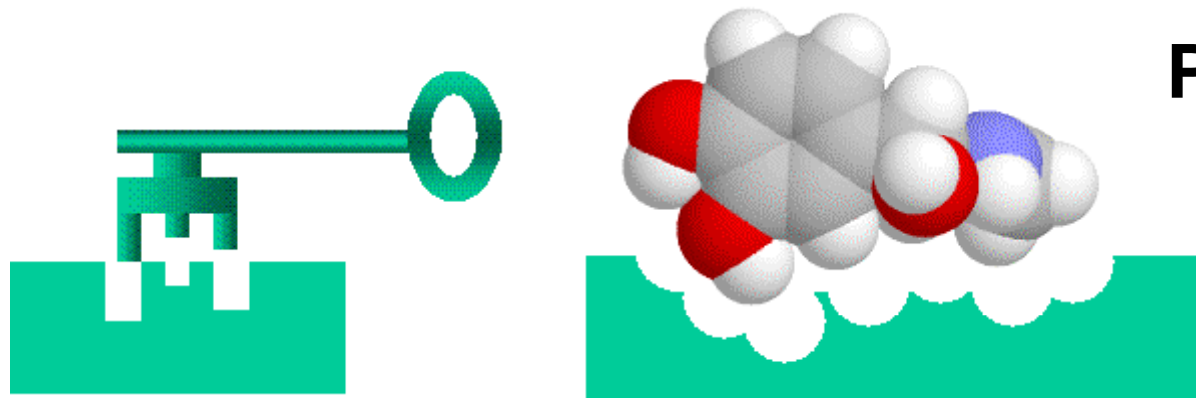
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The Interactome network

**“Life is a relationship among molecules,
not a property of any one molecule.
So is therefore disease,
which endangers life”
(Linus Pauling, 1962)**

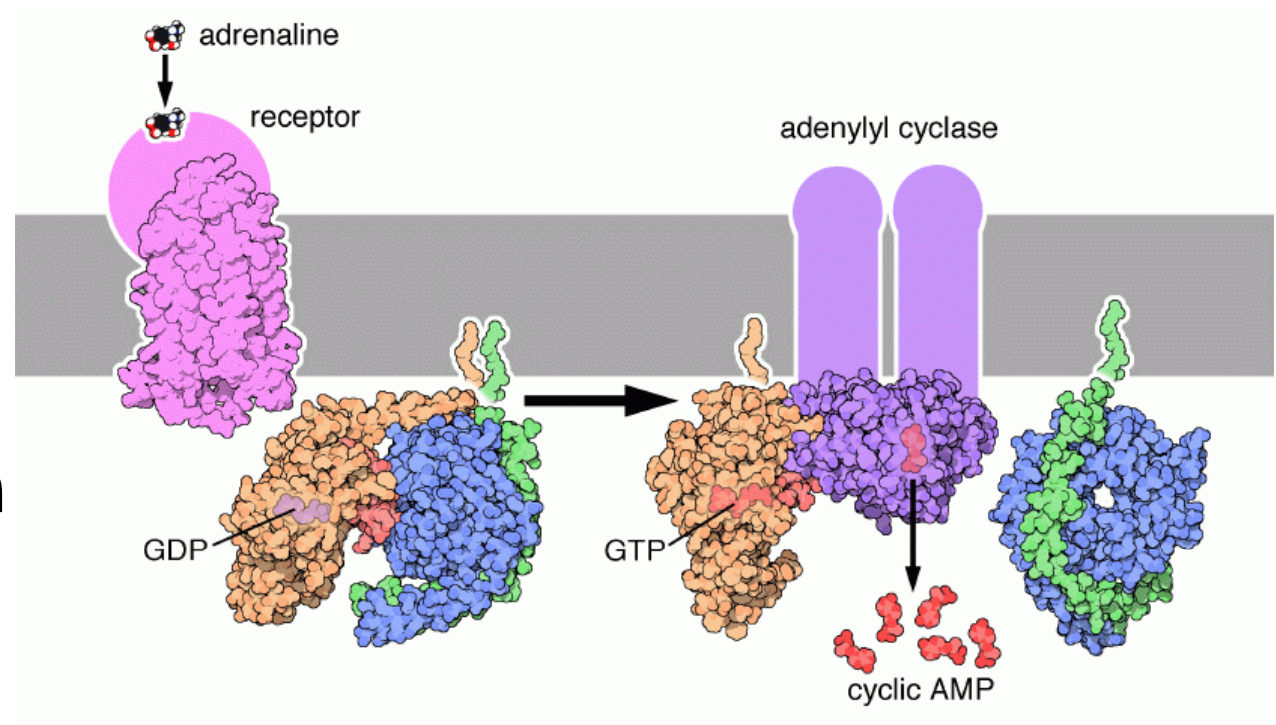


Structure to function relationship

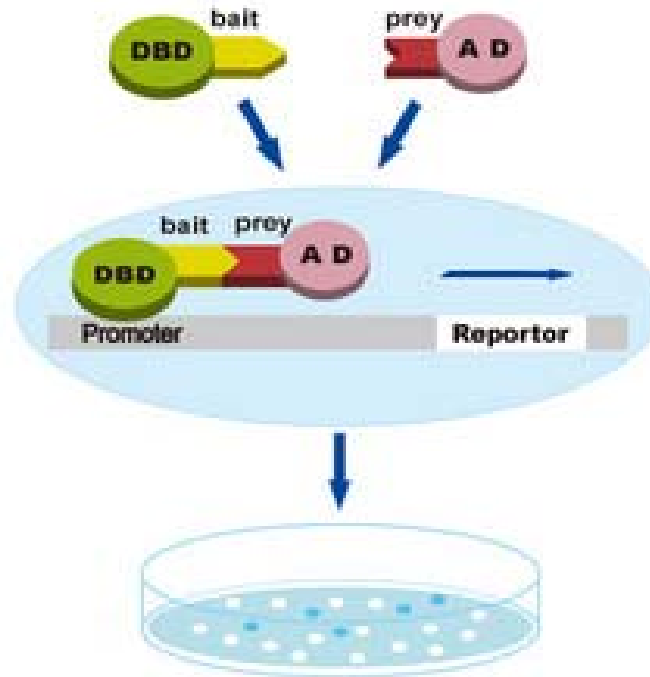


Protein-ligand interactions

Protein-protein interactions

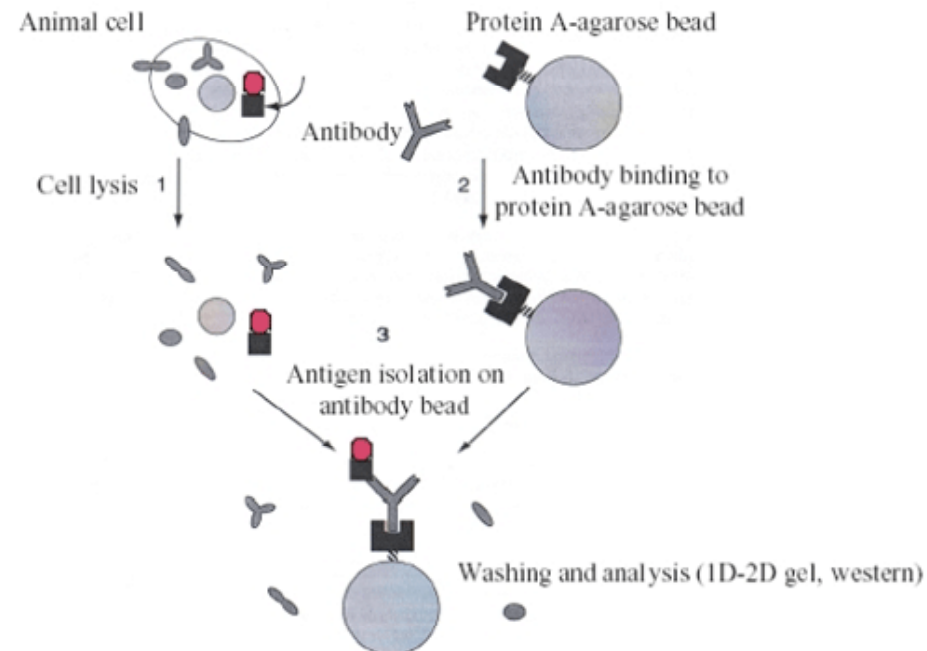


Yeast two-hybrid system (Y2H)



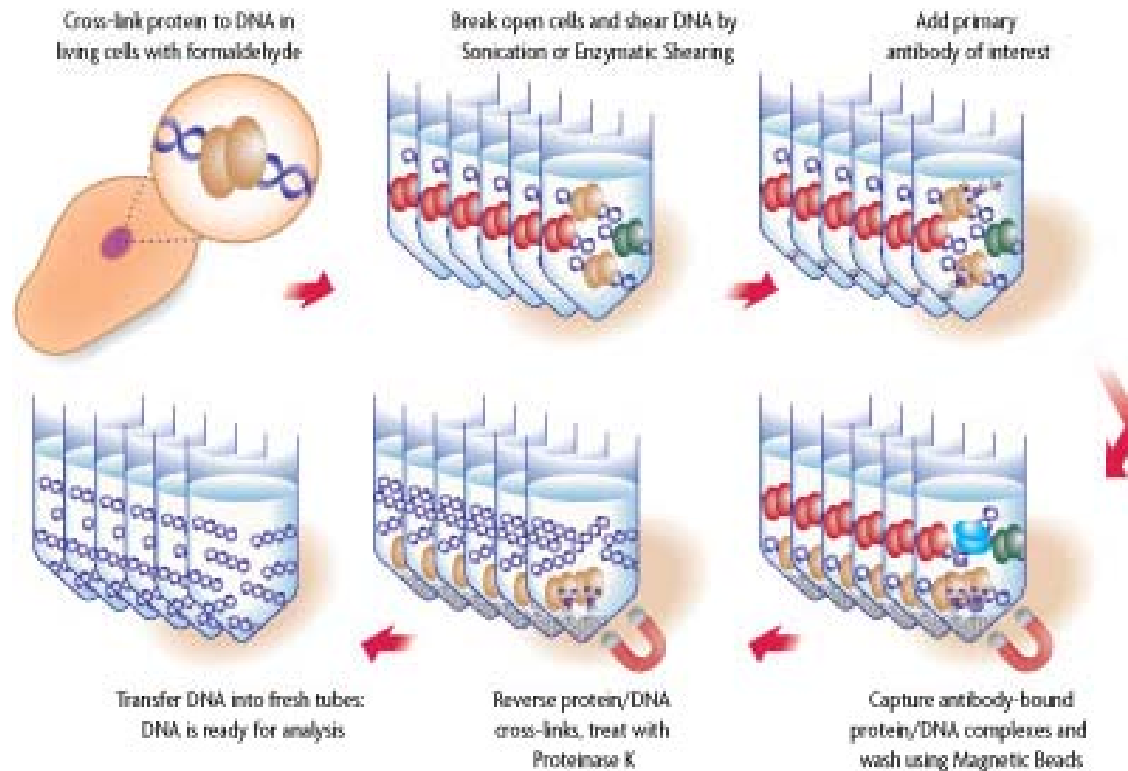
If two proteins (the “bait” and the “prey”) interact, the DNA-binding domain and the activation domain of a transcription factor are connected and the transcription of a reporter gene occurs.

Co-immunoprecipitation (CoIP)



An antibody specific for the protein of interest is incubated with a cell extract and pelleted: associated proteins are analyzed.

Chromatin-immunoprecipitation (ChIP)



To identify which DNA sequences are bound by the protein of interest

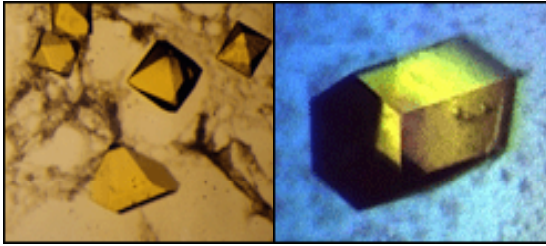
ChIP-on-CHIP: applied on microarray for genome-wide analyses

Structural Biology

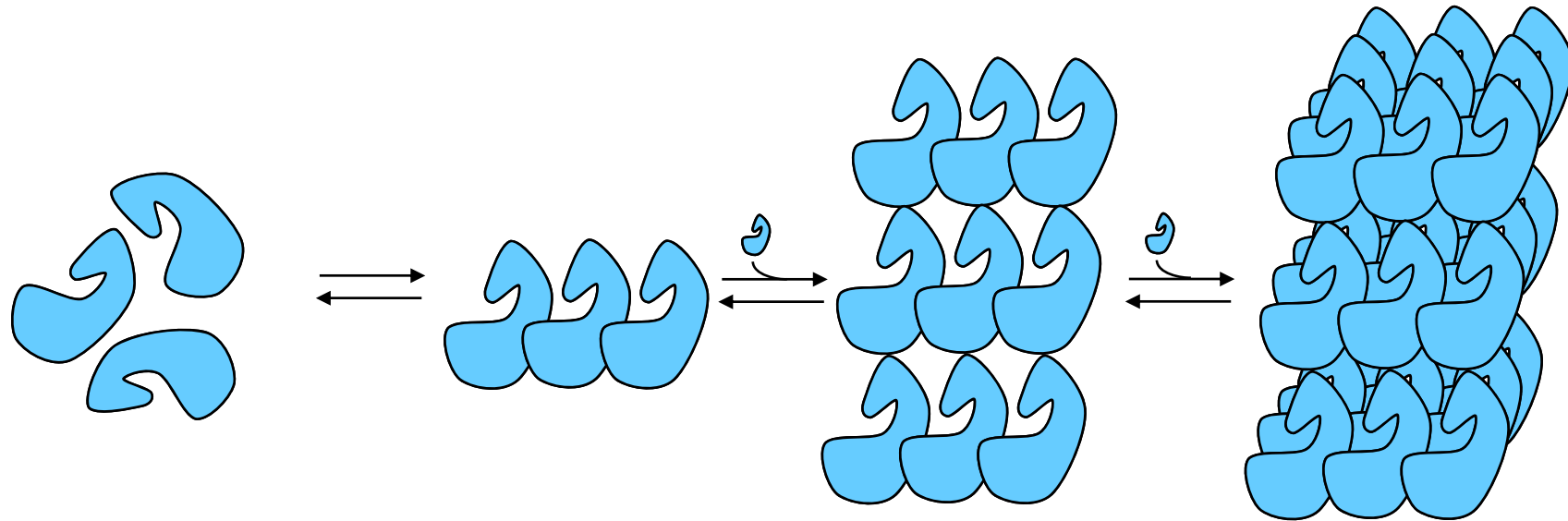
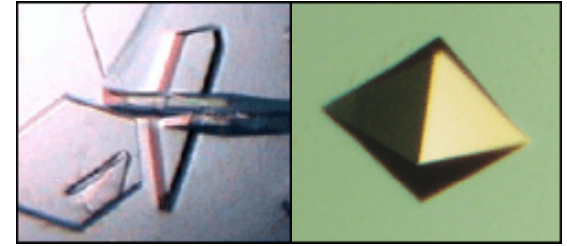
- **cryo-EM**

- **NMR**

- **X-ray crystallography**



Protein crystals



supersaturated
protein solution

One
dimensional
order

Two
dimensional
order

Three
dimensional
order

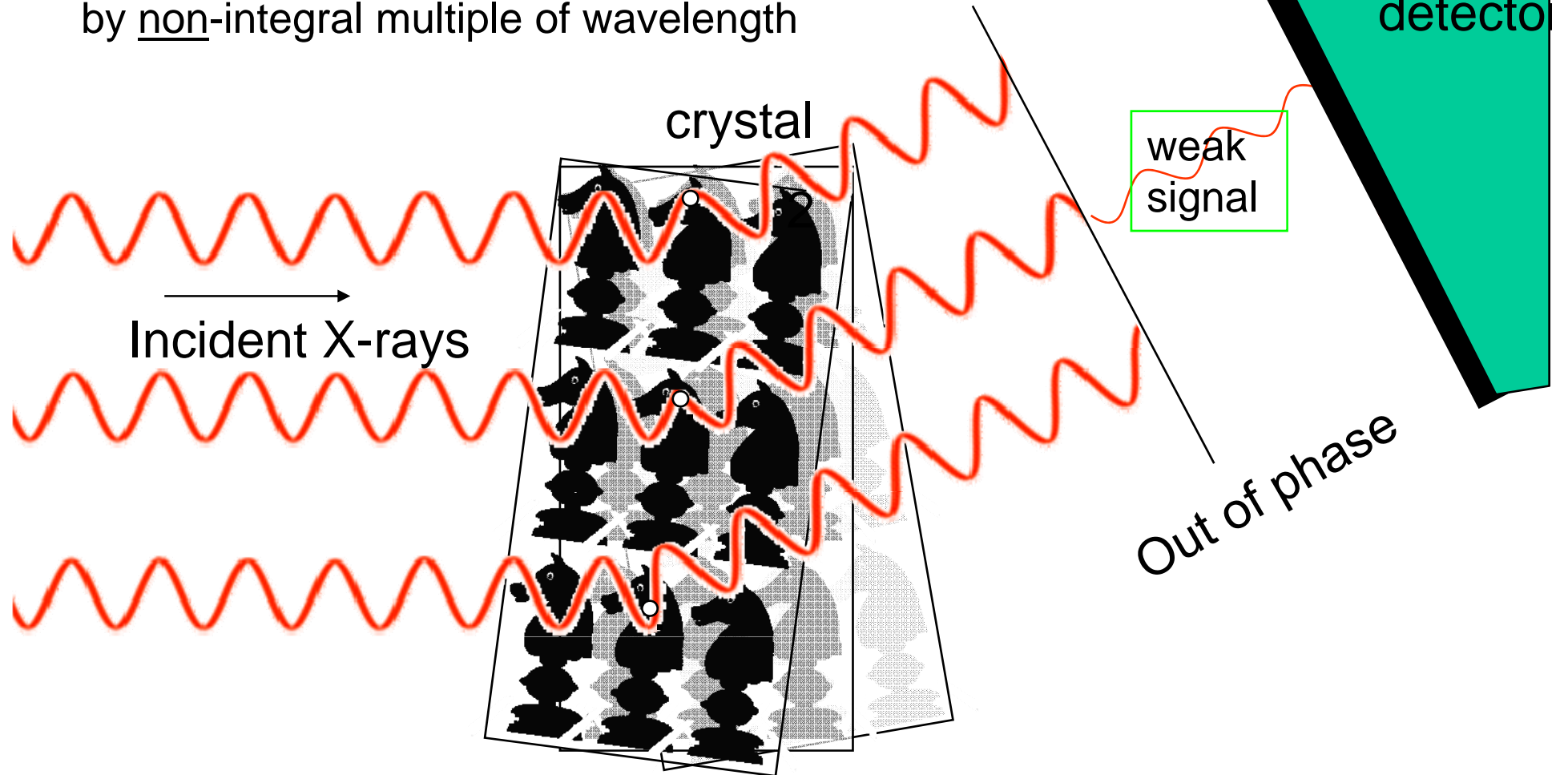
DISORDERED



ORDERED

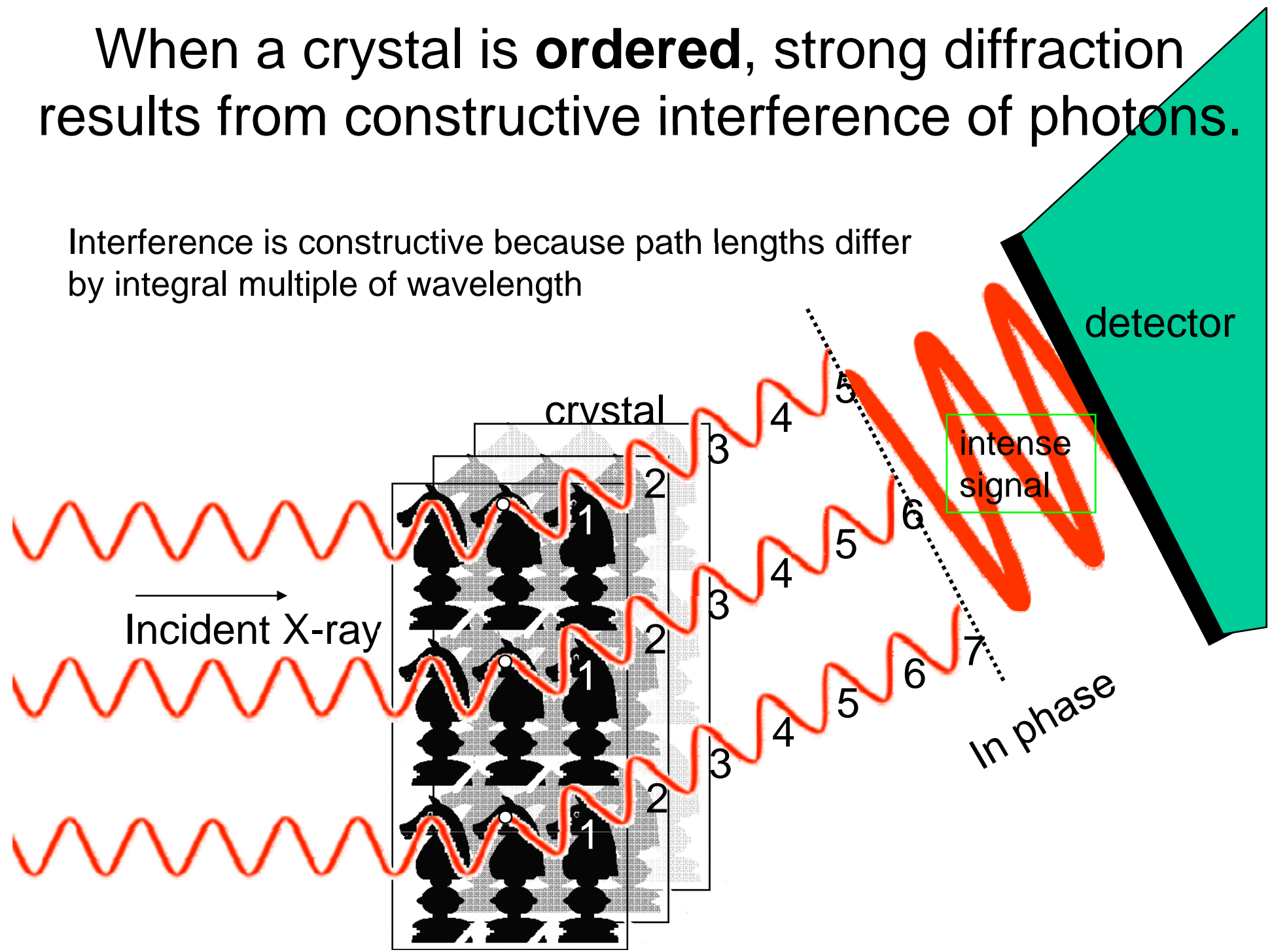
When a crystal is **disordered**, poor diffraction results from destructive interference of photons.

Interference is destructive because path lengths differ by non-integral multiple of wavelength

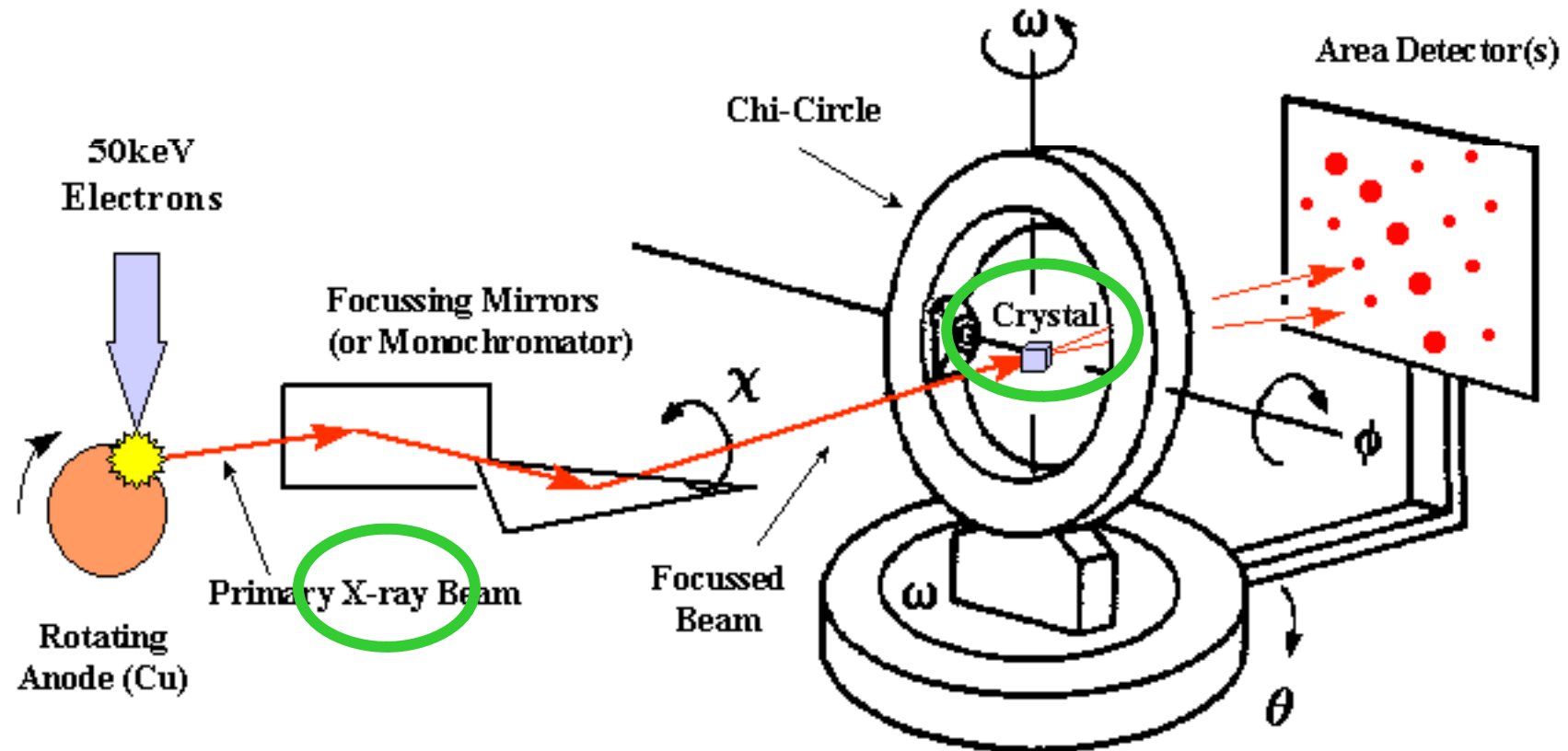


When a crystal is **ordered**, strong diffraction results from constructive interference of photons.

Interference is constructive because path lengths differ by integral multiple of wavelength

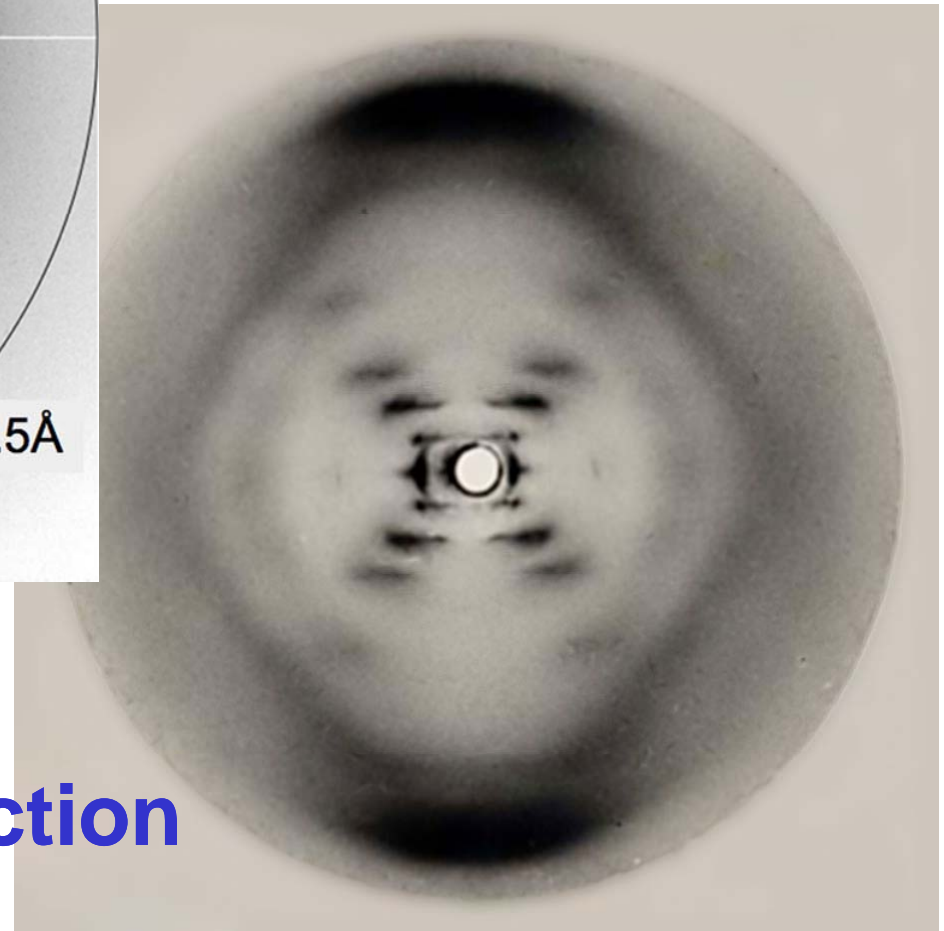
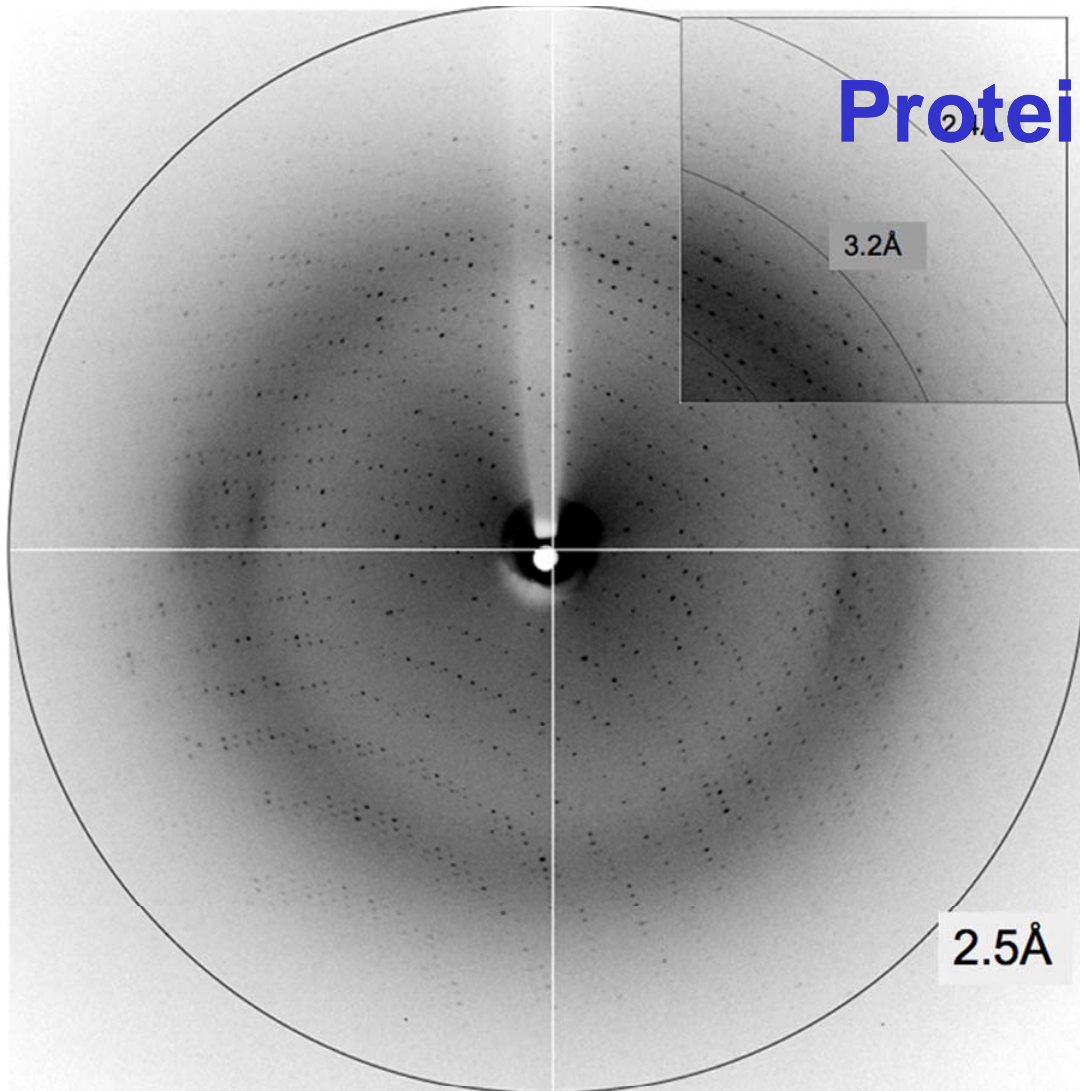


X-ray data collection



X-rays have the proper wavelength ($1 \text{ \AA} = 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$) to be scattered by the electron cloud of the atoms in the crystal

Protein crystal diffraction

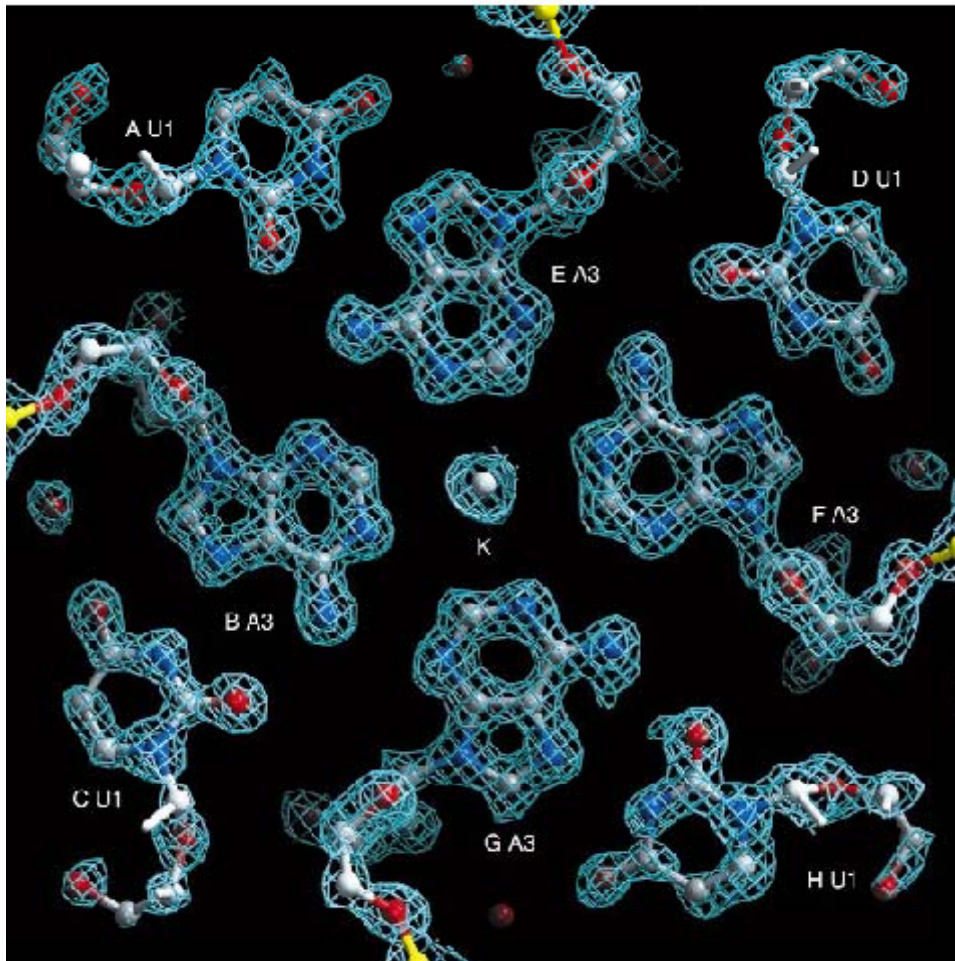


DNA crystal diffraction

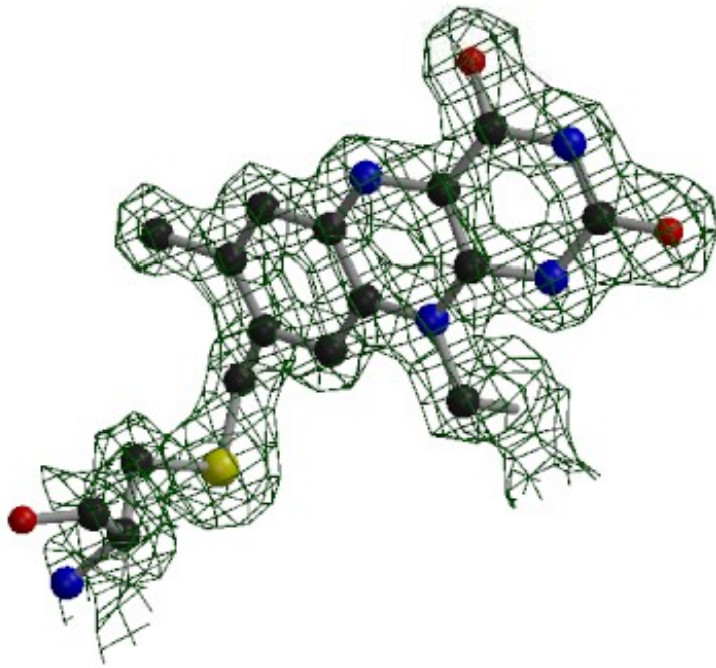
Protein structure determination by interpretation of electron density maps

Fourier transform

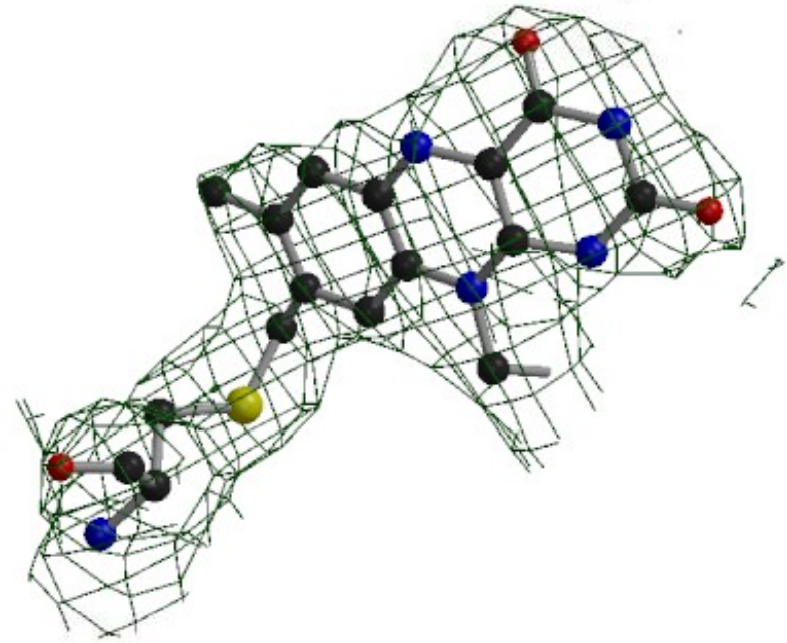
$$\rho(xyz) = V^{-1} \sum \sum \sum |F_{hkl}| \exp[-2\pi(hx+ky+lz-\alpha_{hkl})]$$



Importance of resolution



1.7 Å



2.8 Å

The Protein Data Bank (PDB)

www.rcsb.org



Up to March 2009:

48516

X-ray

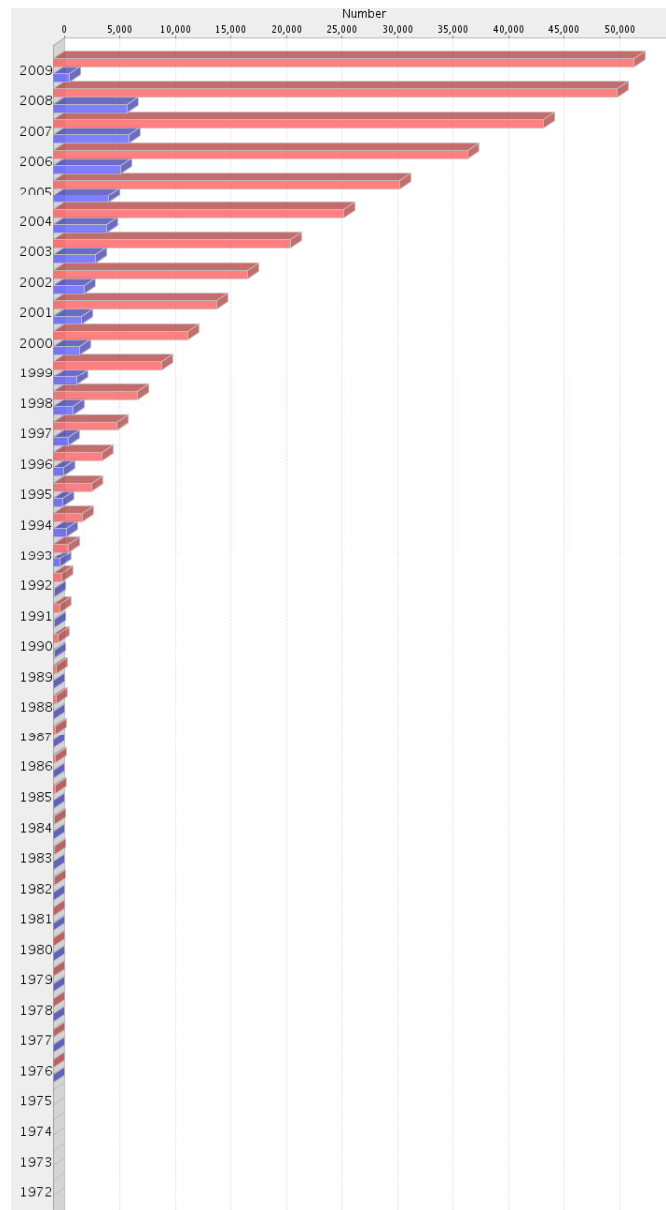
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NMR

230

cryo-EM

Yearly growth of deposited protein structures



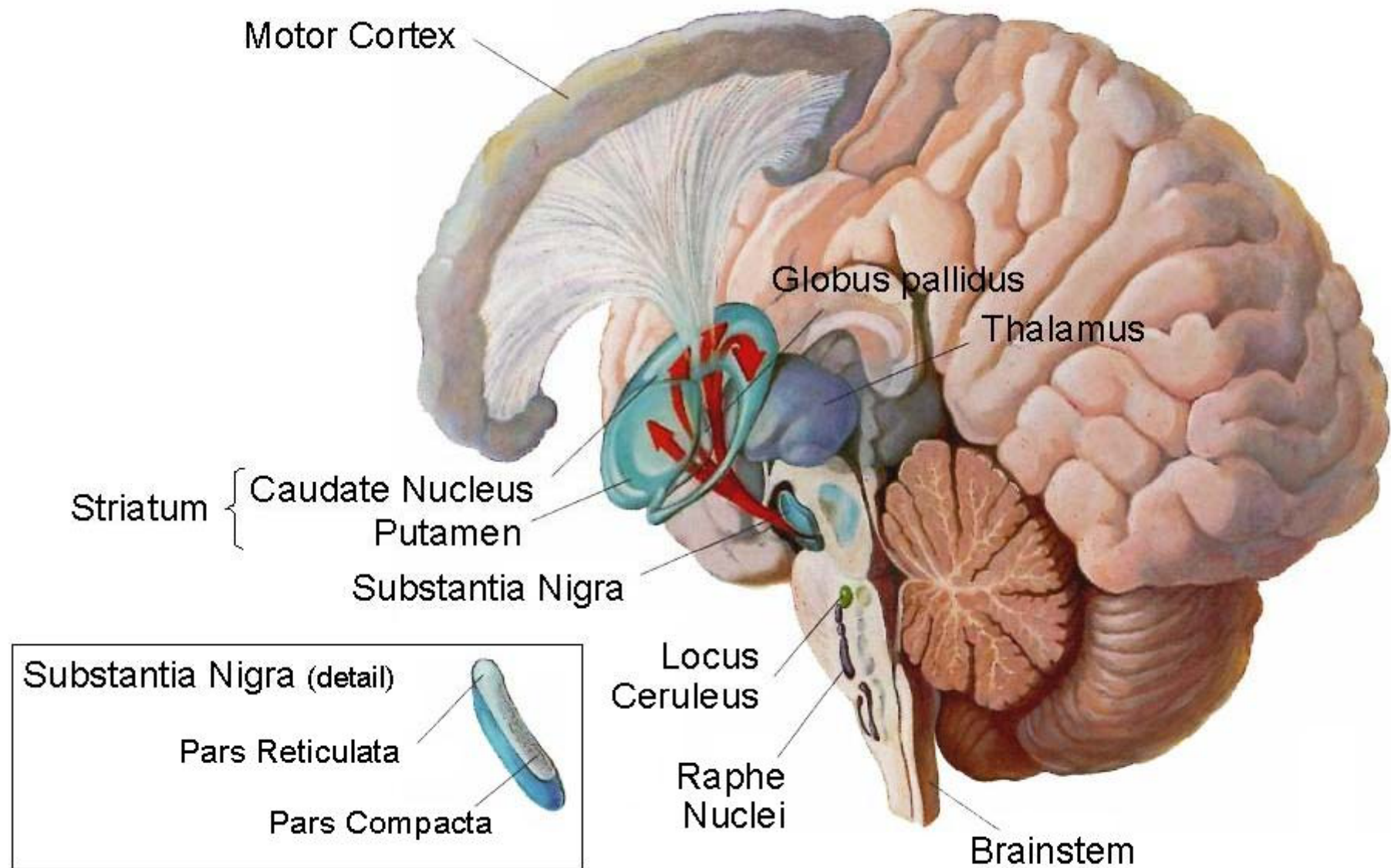
 **total**
 **per year**

In-house examples

1. Human Monoamine oxidase

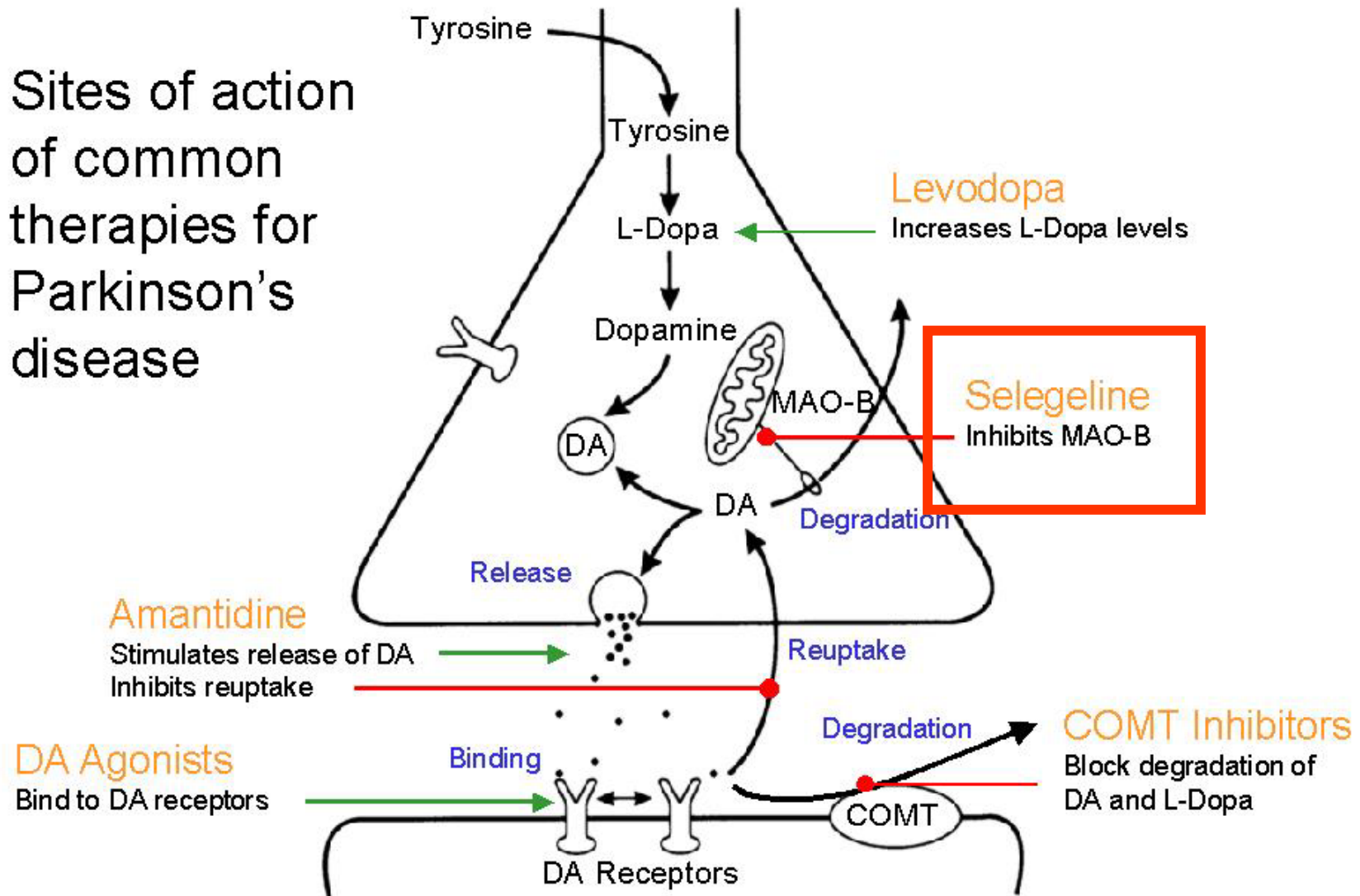
2. Human Histone Demethylase

In-house story 1: Monoamine Oxidase

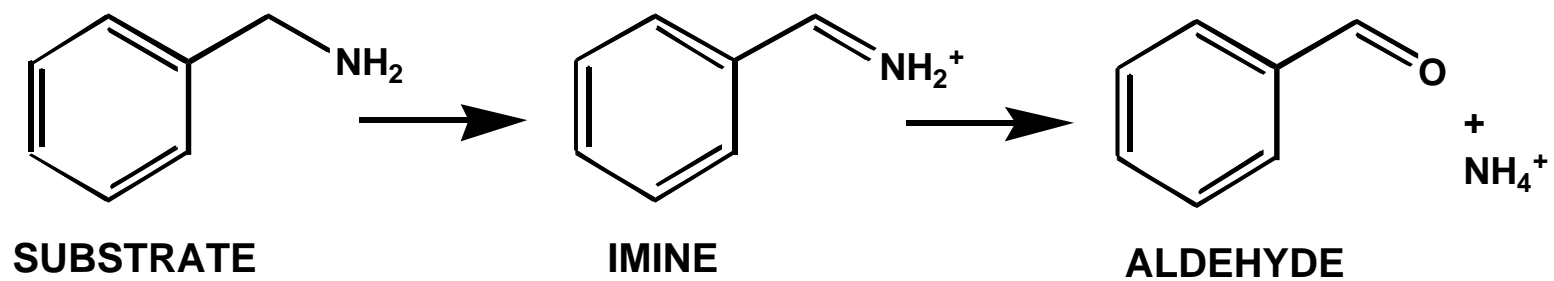


MAO: a drug target in neurological disorders

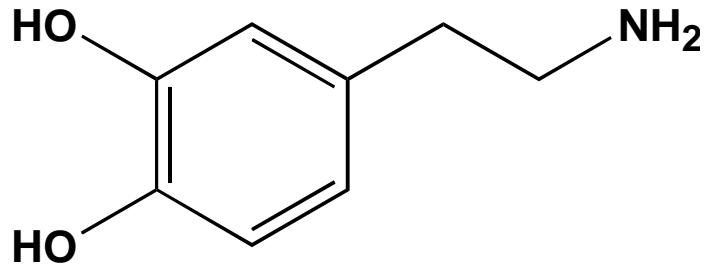
Sites of action
of common
therapies for
Parkinson's
disease



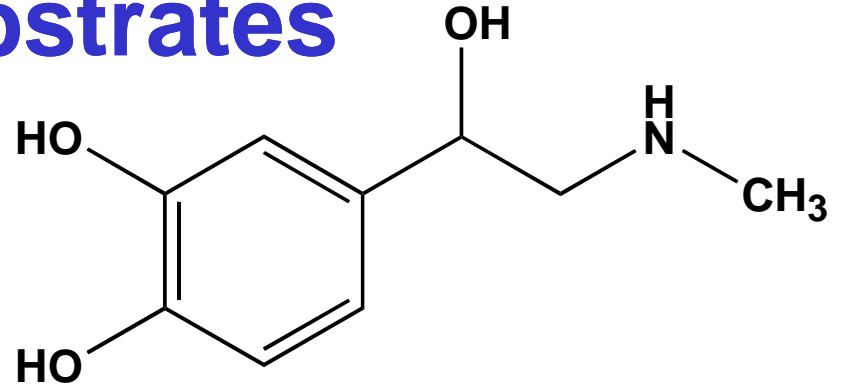
The reaction catalyzed by MAO



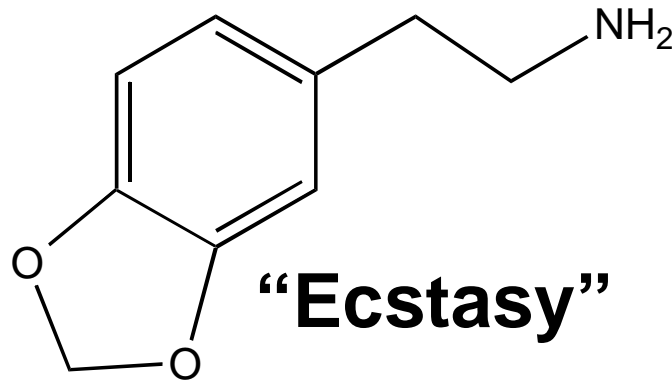
MAO substrates



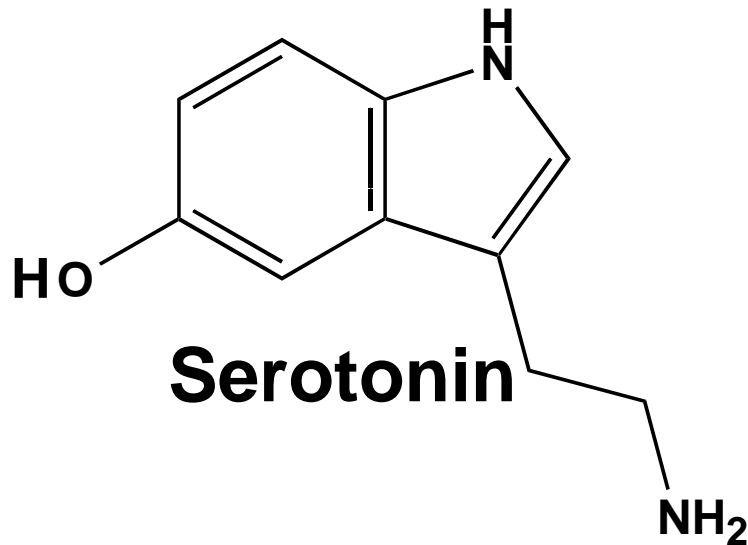
Dopamine



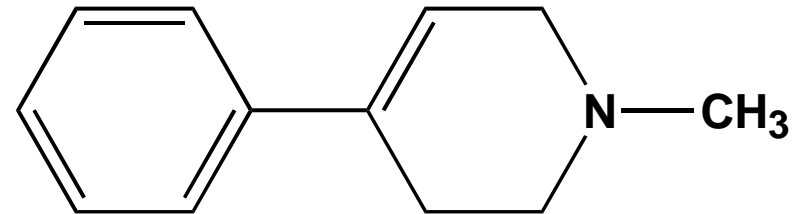
**Norepinephrine
(noradrenaline)**



“Ecstasy”



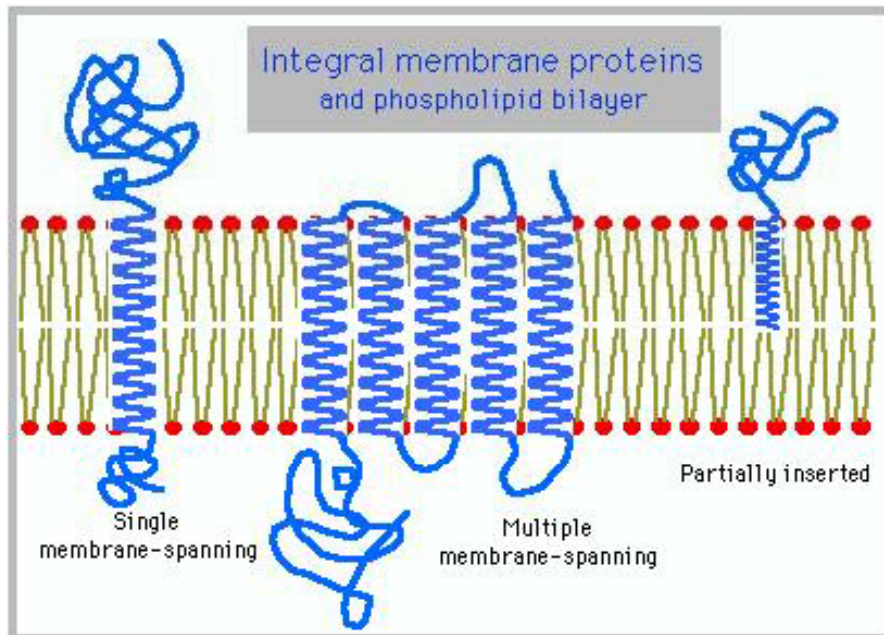
Serotonin



**MPTP
(heroin impurity)**

Human MAO A and MAO B

- Two isoforms with 71% sequence identity
- Partly overlapping substrate specificity
- Anchored to the outer mitochondrial membrane through C-terminal extension



~**30%** of all proteins are membrane-bound

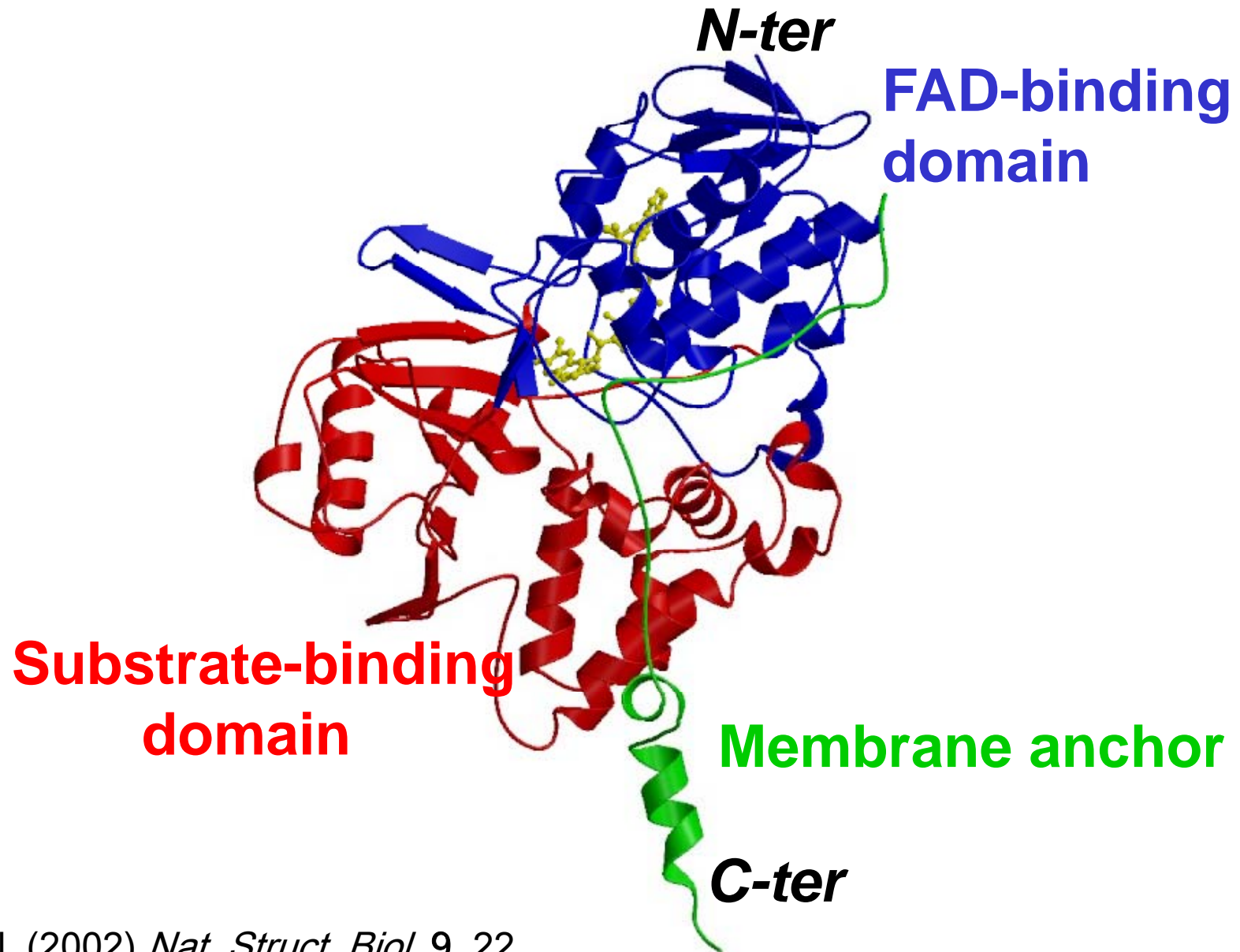
1985: first structure of a membrane protein

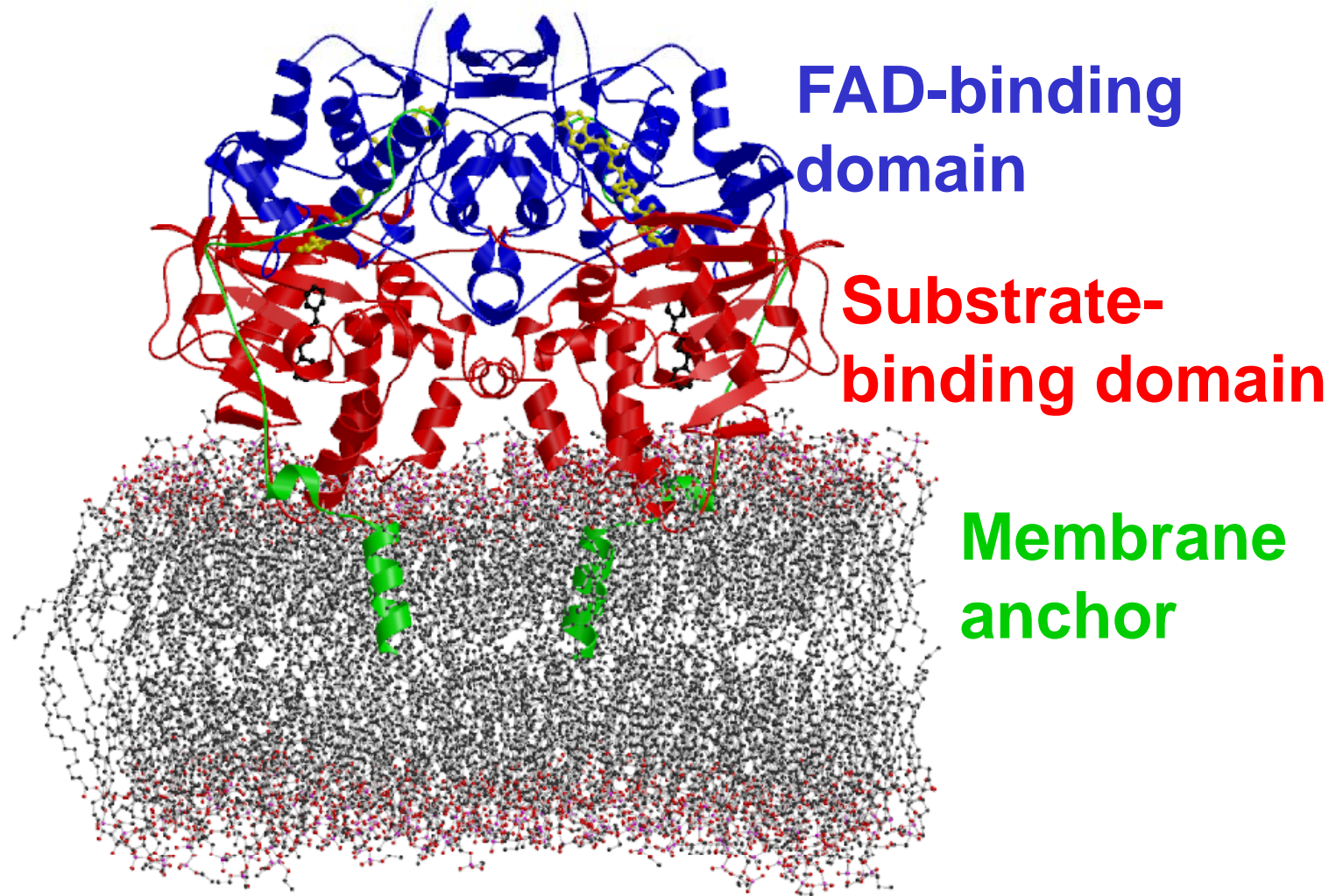
< **150** unique known structures in the PDB
(445 deposited out of the total 56508)

Crystallization of Human MAO B

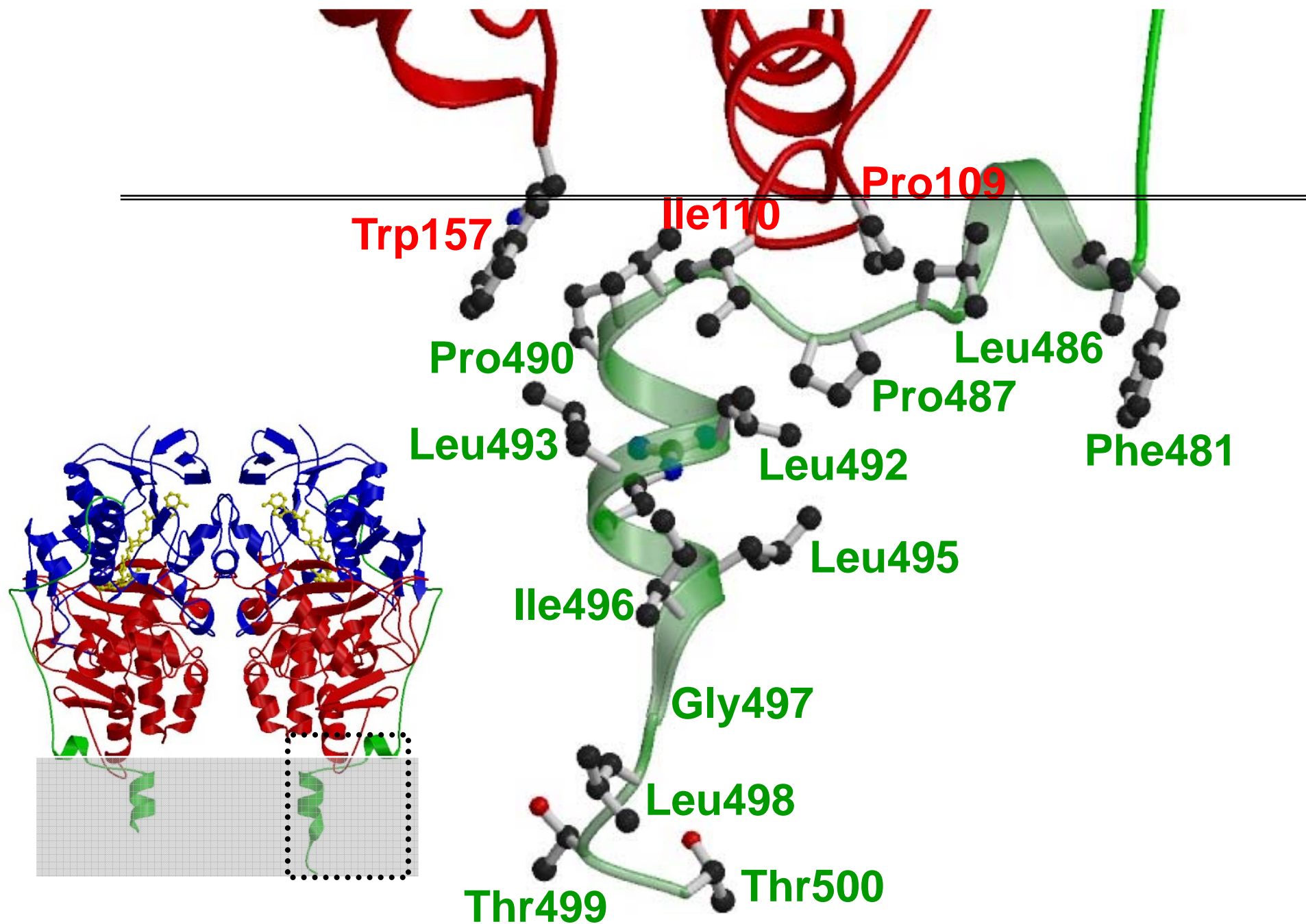
- Expressed in *Pichia pastoris*
- Two crystal forms using different detergents:
 - 1) Lauryldimethylamine oxide, triclinic
 - 2) Zwittergent 3-12, orthorombic

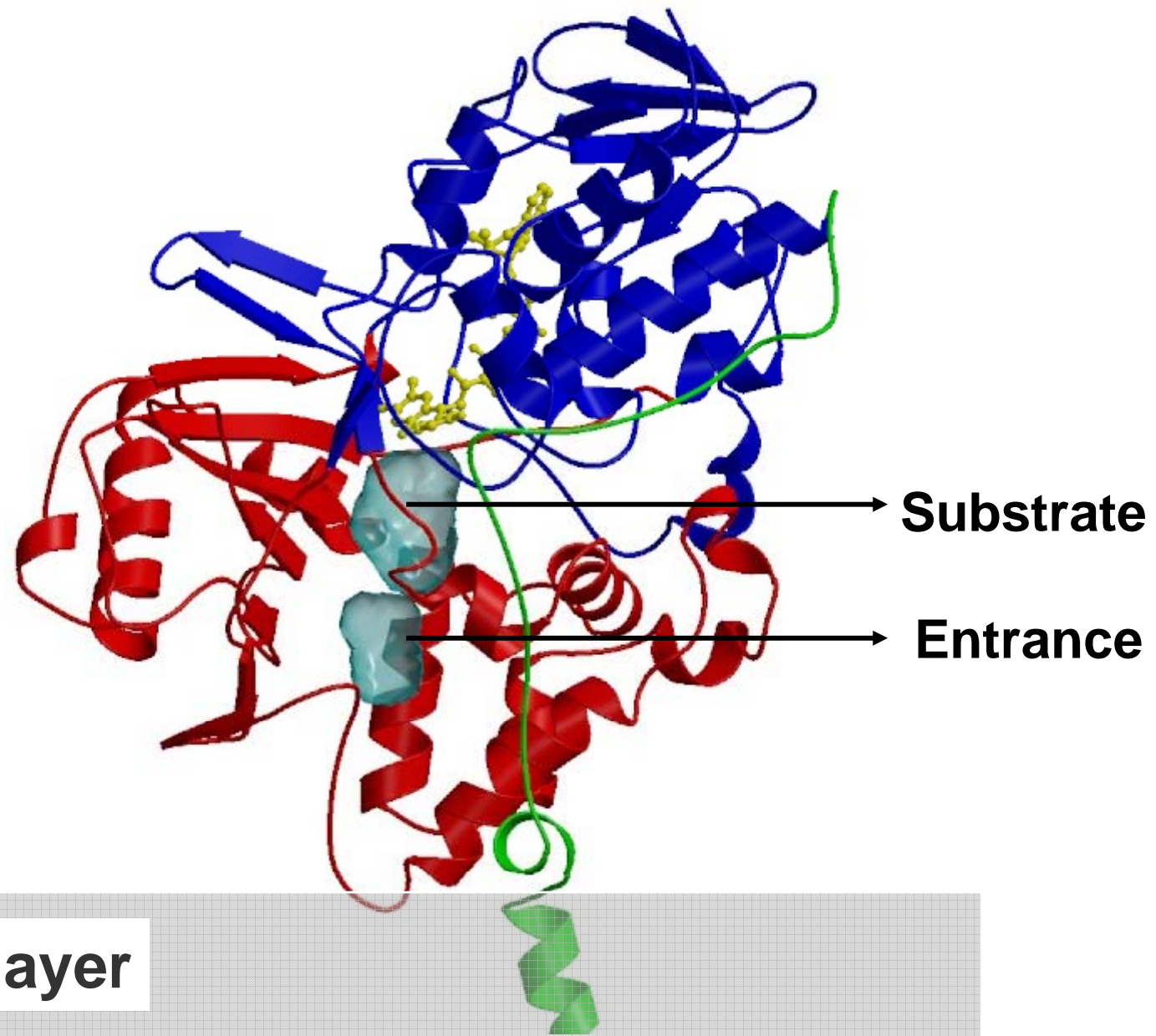
Crystal Structure of Monoamine Oxidase B





The MAO B dimer

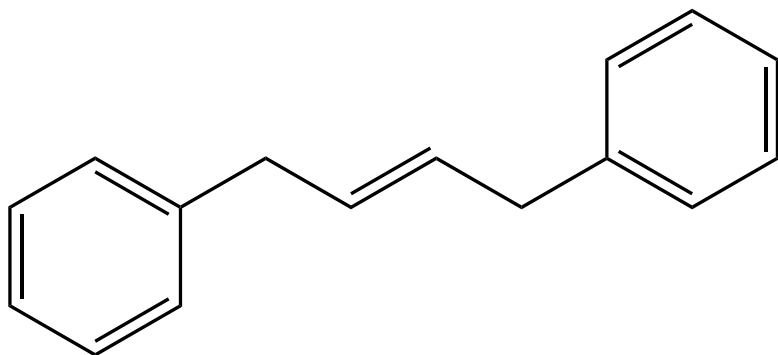




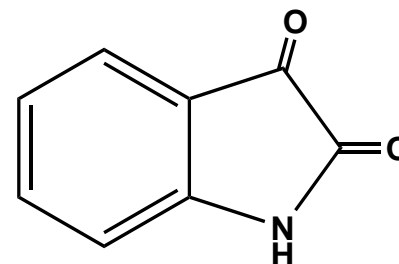
Bilayer

The active site cavities

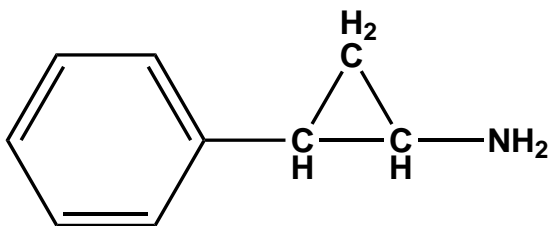
Inhibitor Binding to MAO B



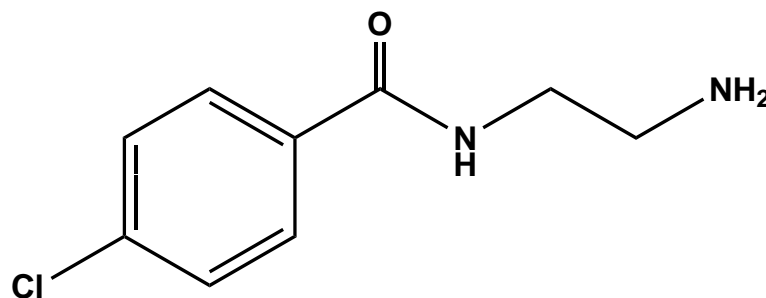
1,4-diphenylbutene



indole-2,3-dione (isatin)

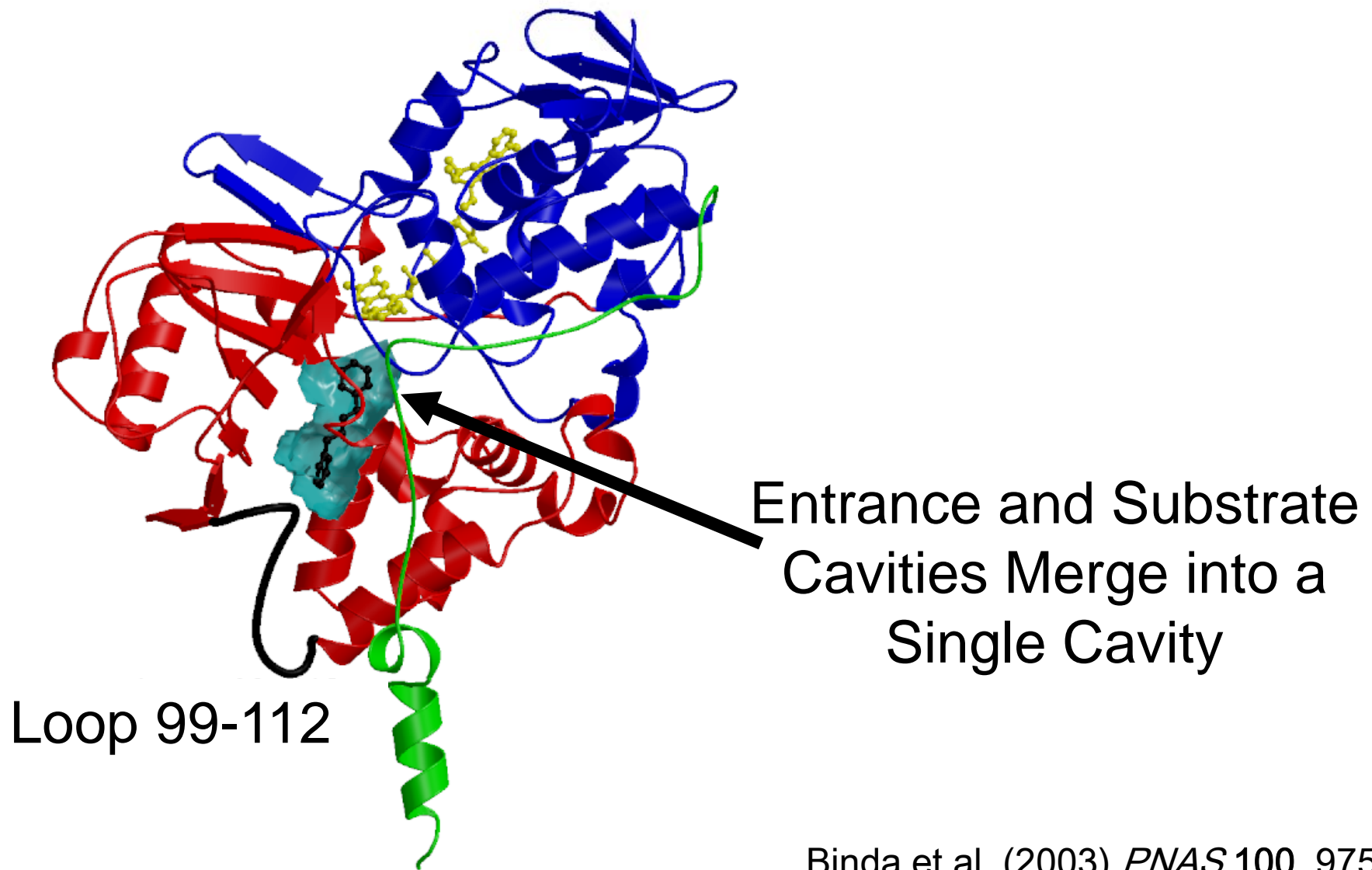


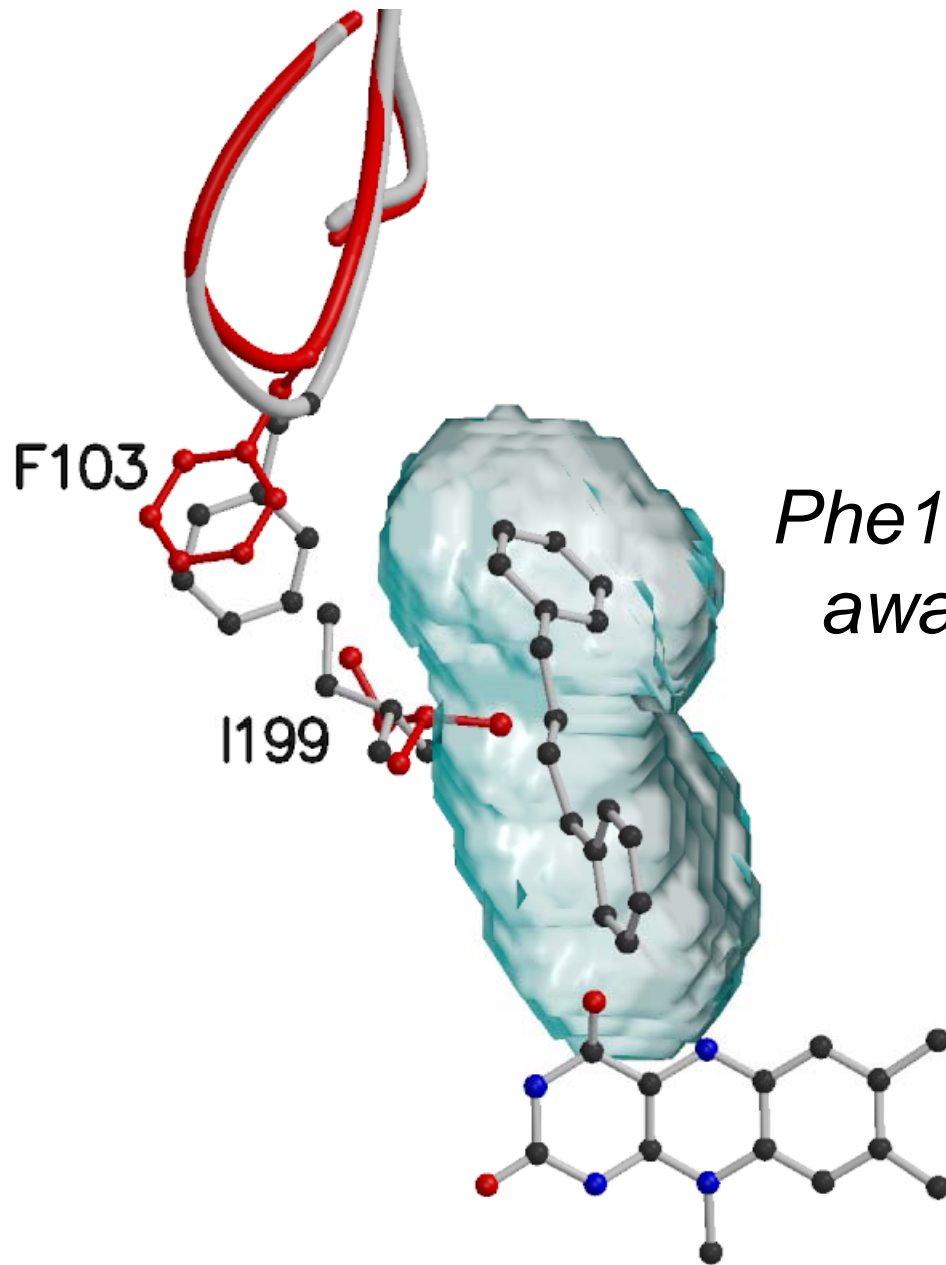
2-trans-phenylcyclopropylamine
(tranylcypromine)



N-(2-aminoethyl)-*p*-chlorobenzamide

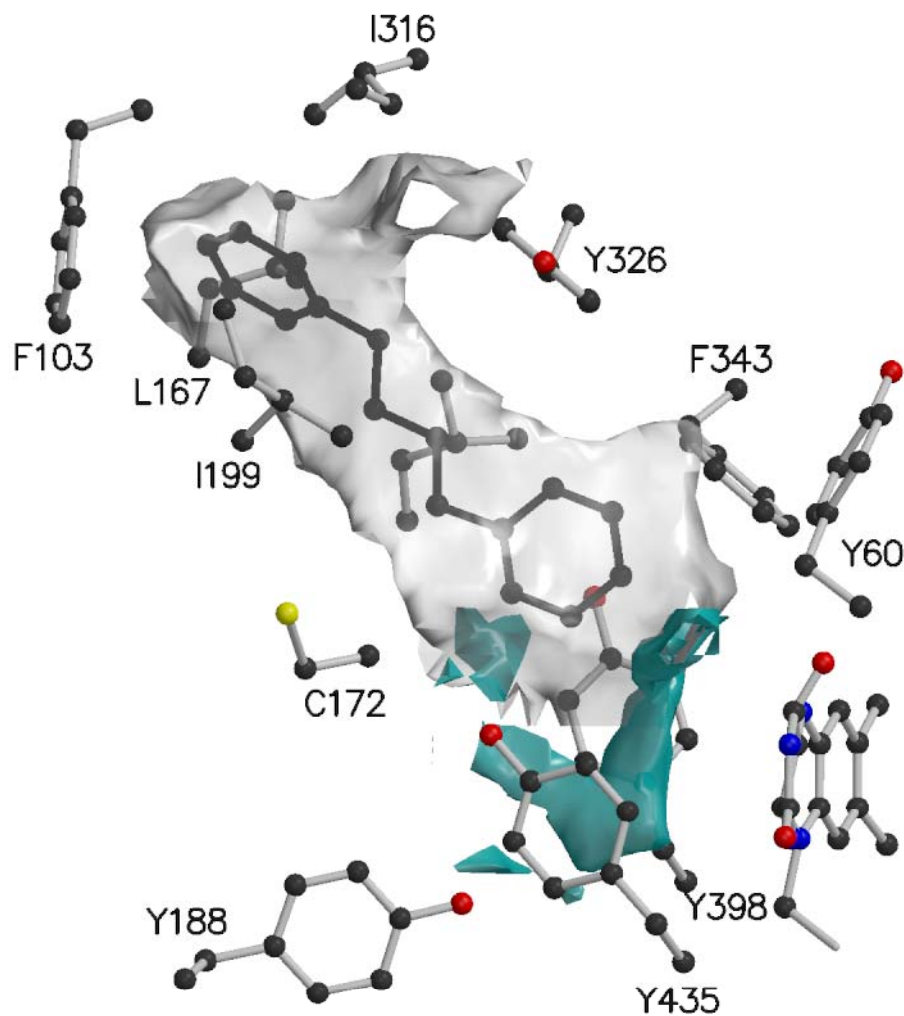
1,4-Diphenylbutene Complex





Induced Fit:
*Phe103 and Ile199 move
away to allow inhibitor
binding*

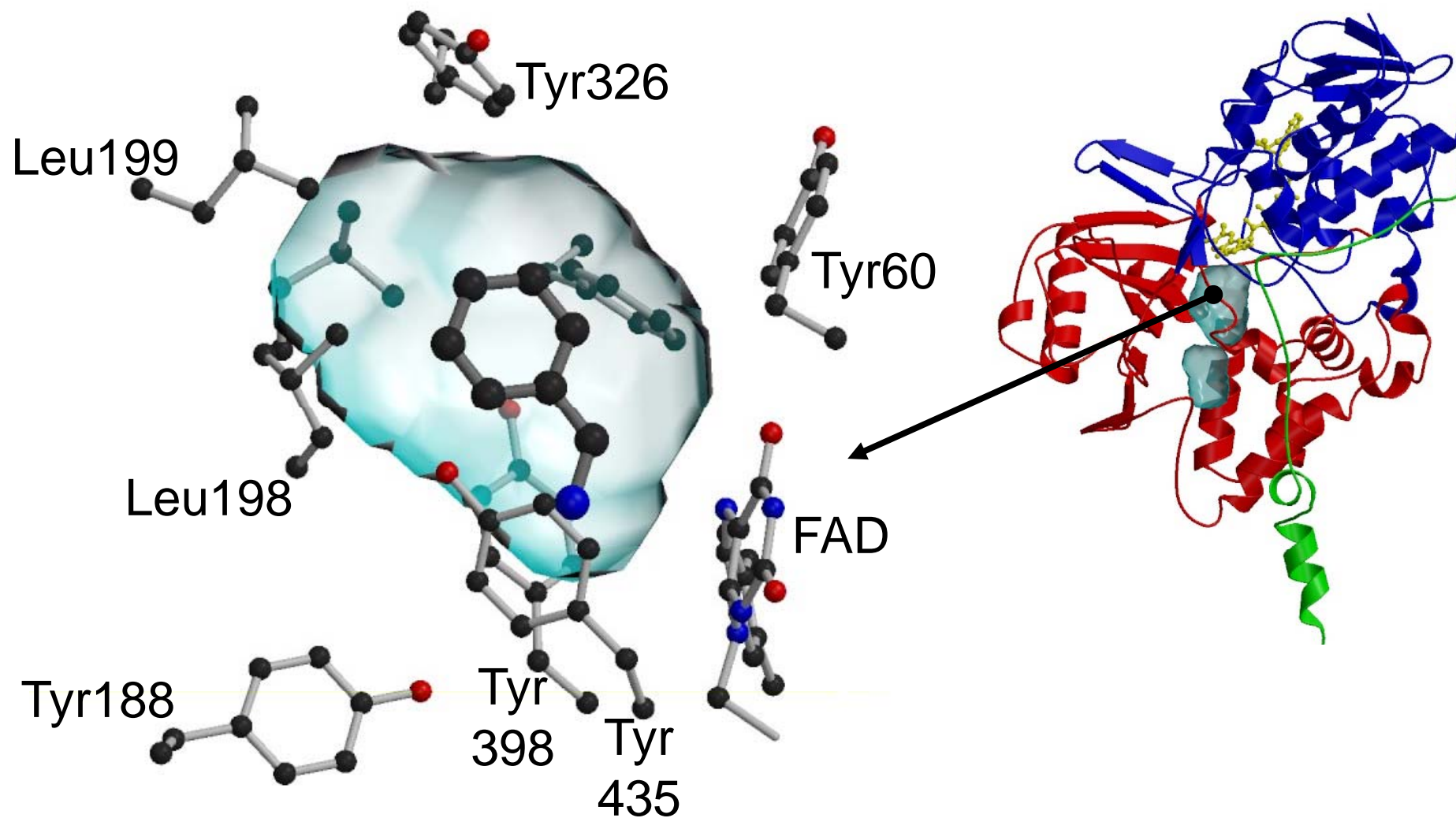
Exploring the Cavity with GRID



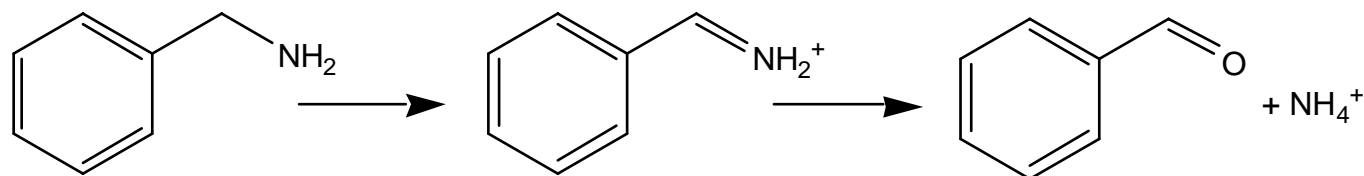
Probes:

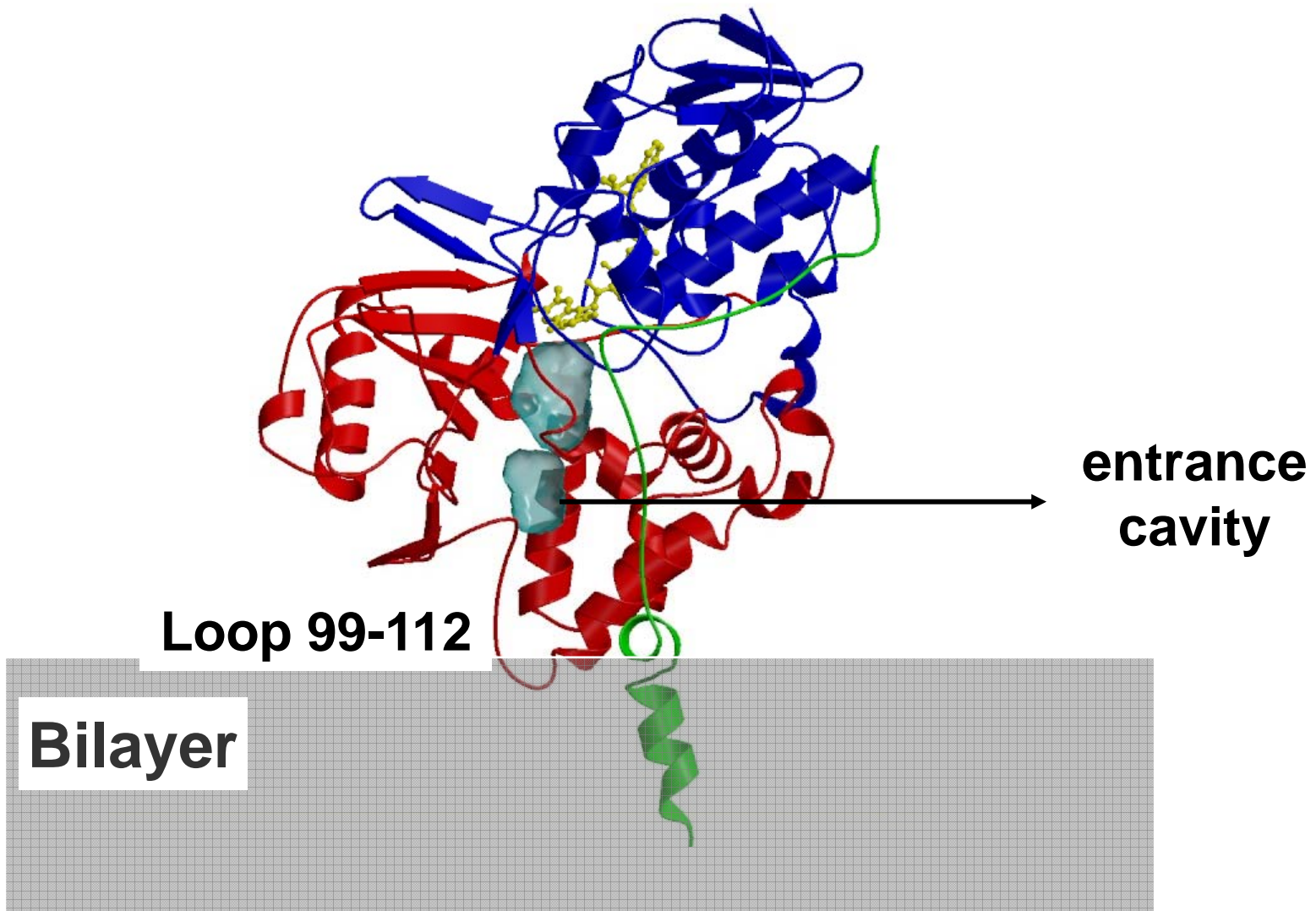
• *sp² carbon* 

• *NH₂ group* 



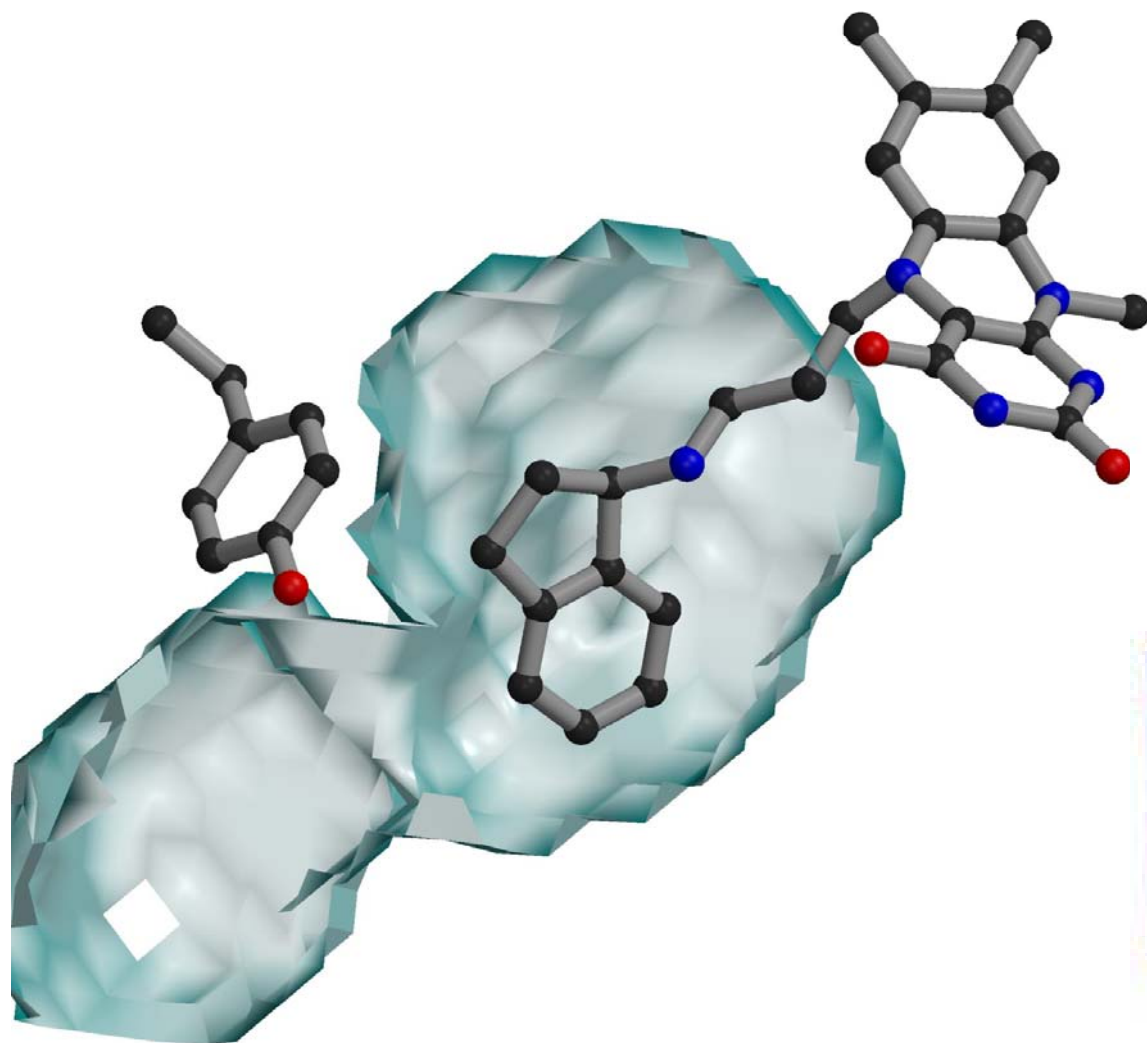
A model for substrate (benzylamine) binding





**A passageway for the substrate
and a “druggable” cavity**

Design of selective MAO B inhibitors: RASAGILINE

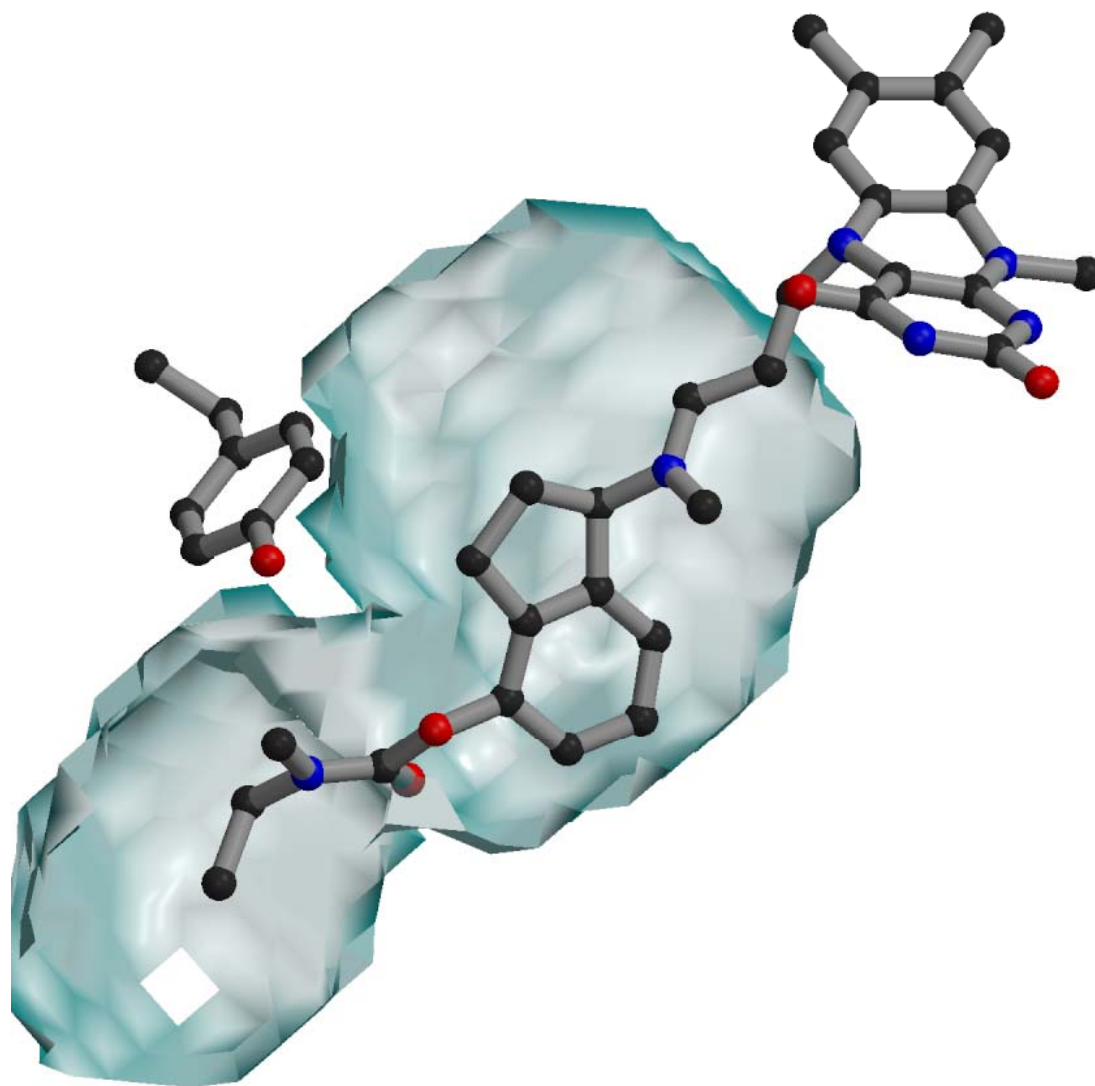


anti-Parkinson drug
on the market since 2005
(Teva Pharmaceuticals, Israel)

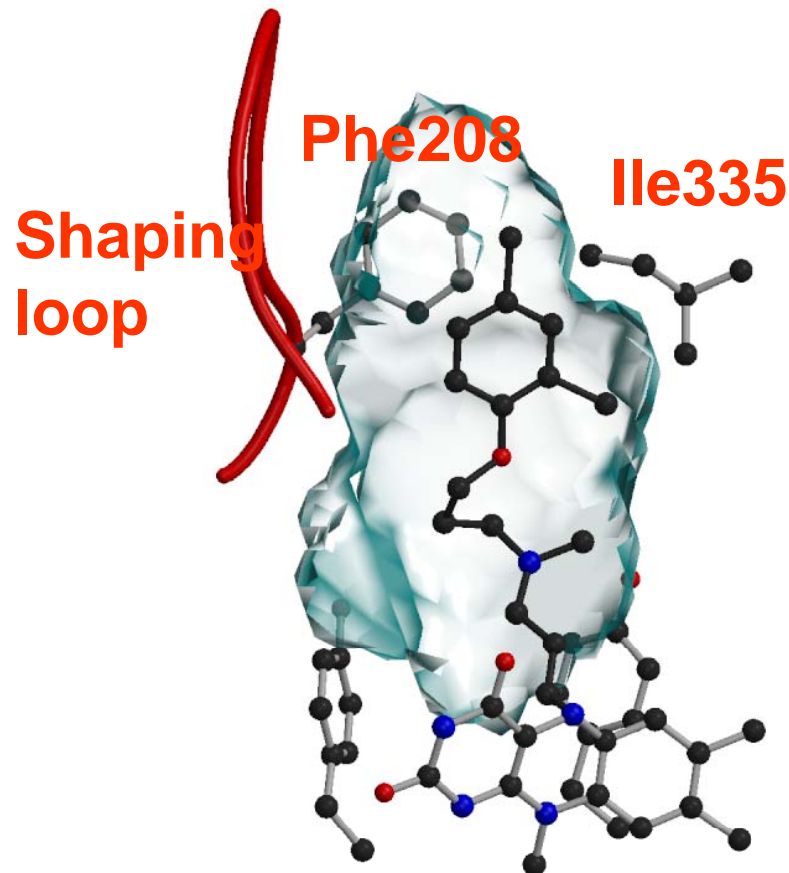


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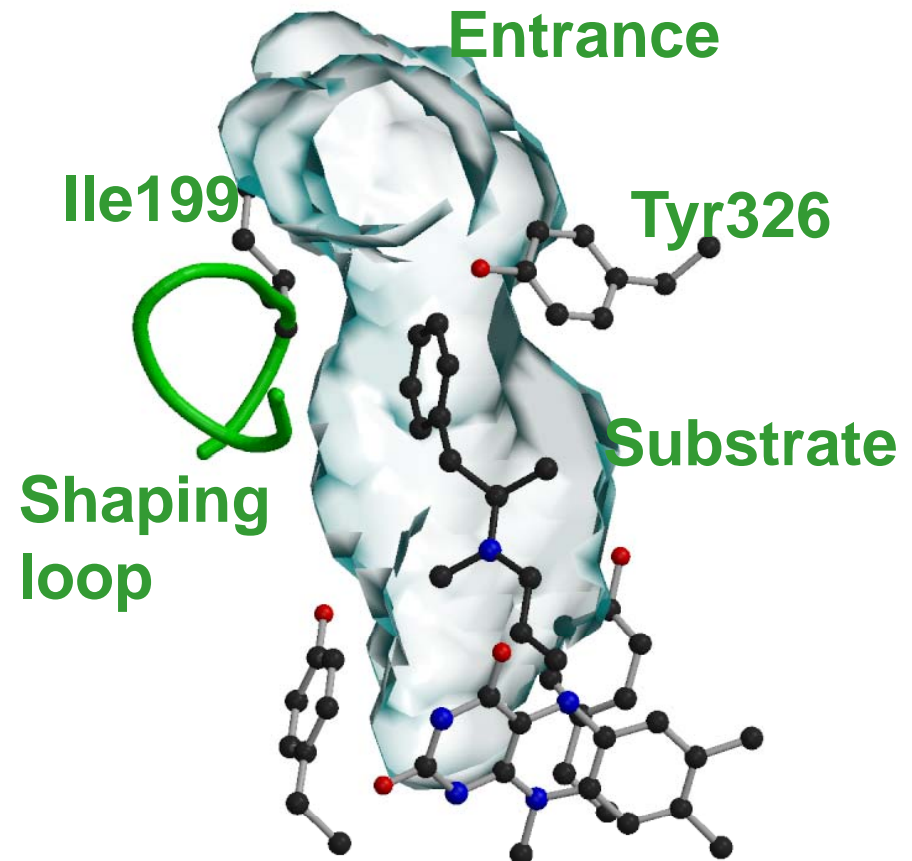
Structure-based optimization



MAO A vs MAO B: Active Site Mutations

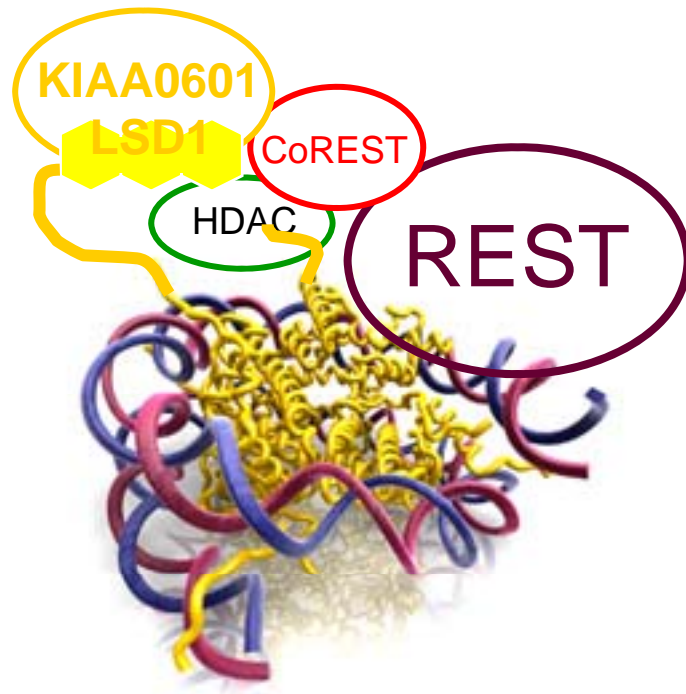


MAO A:
single cavity

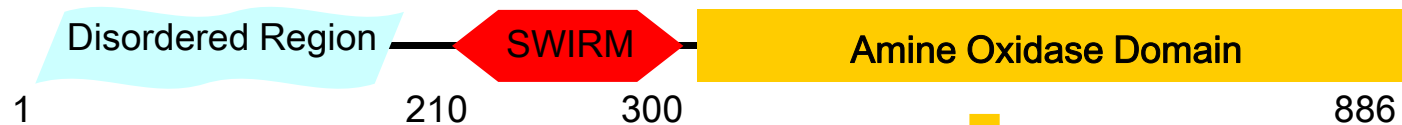


MAO B:
dipartite cavity

In-house story 2: Histone Demethylase

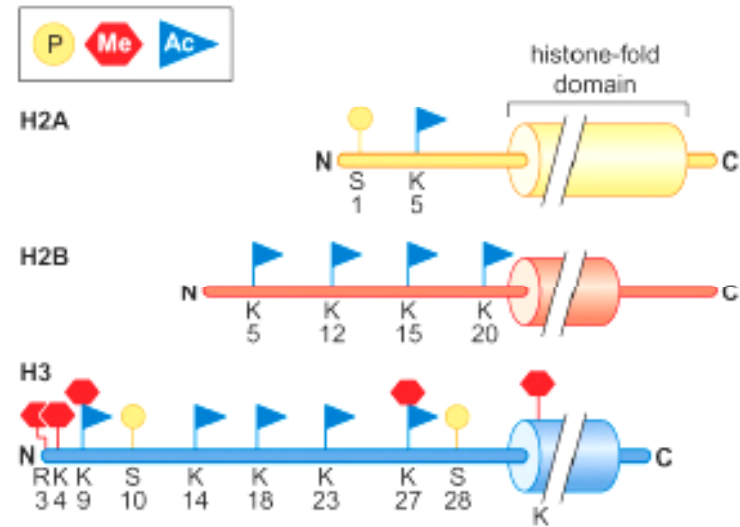
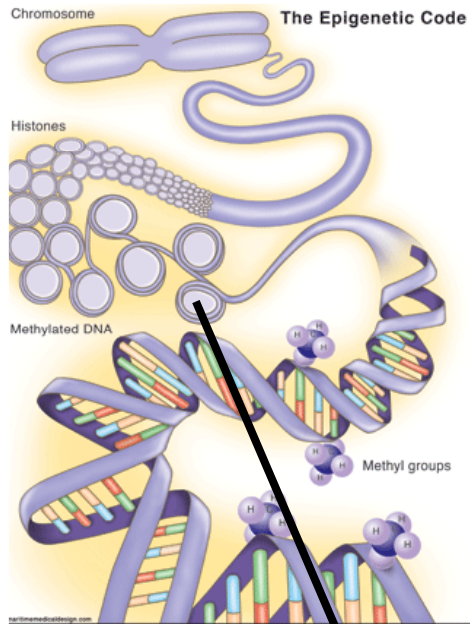


- Nuclear protein complex:
- chromatin remodelling
 - regulation of neuronal genes

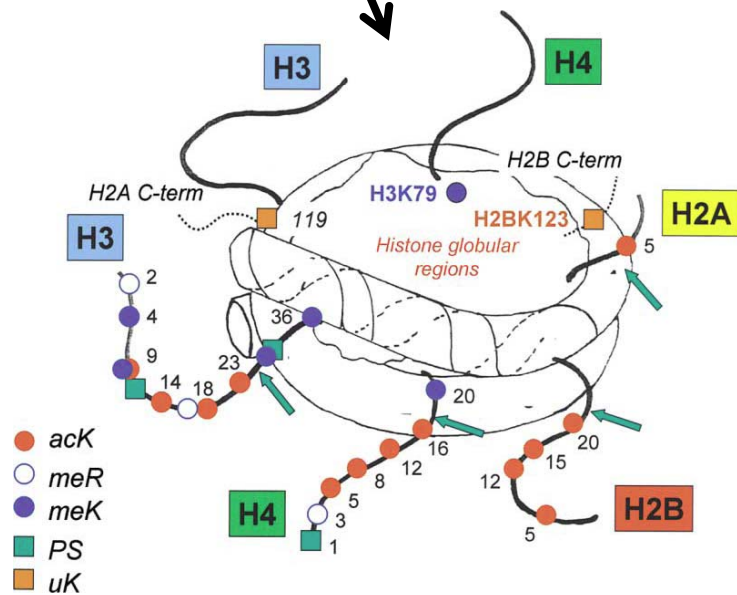
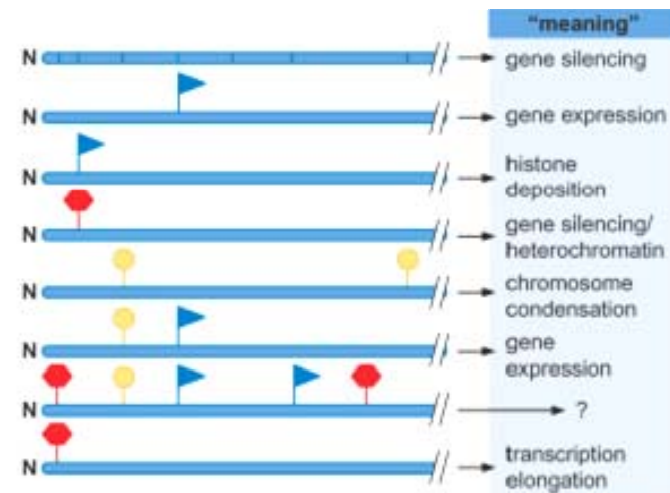


20% sequence identity to MAO

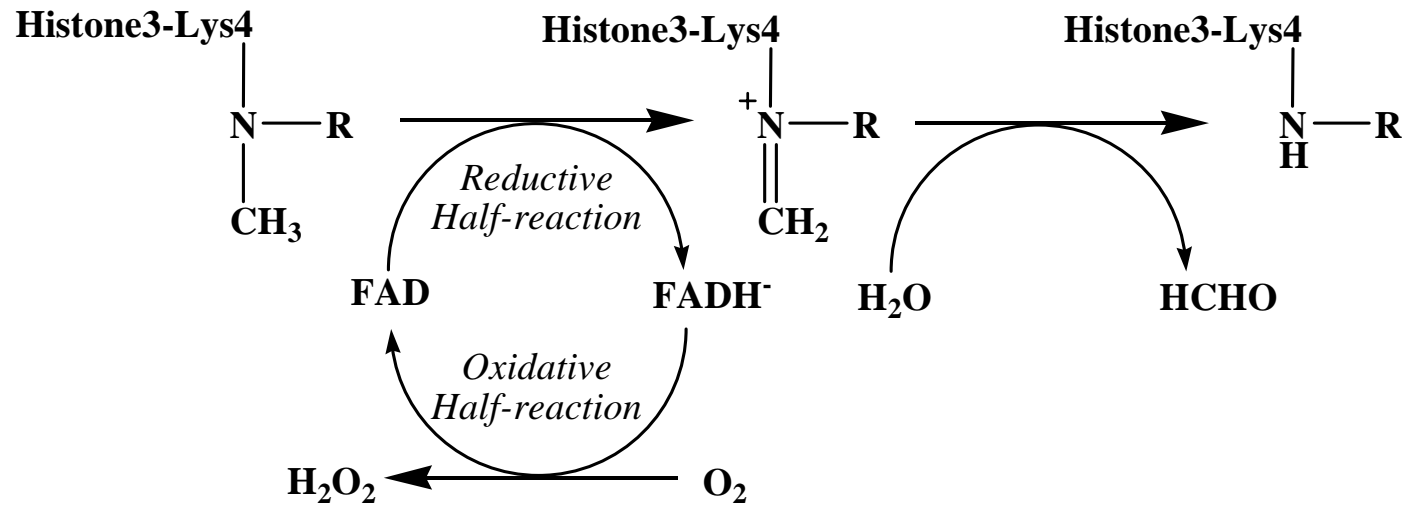
LSD1 is a histone demethylase



The histone code

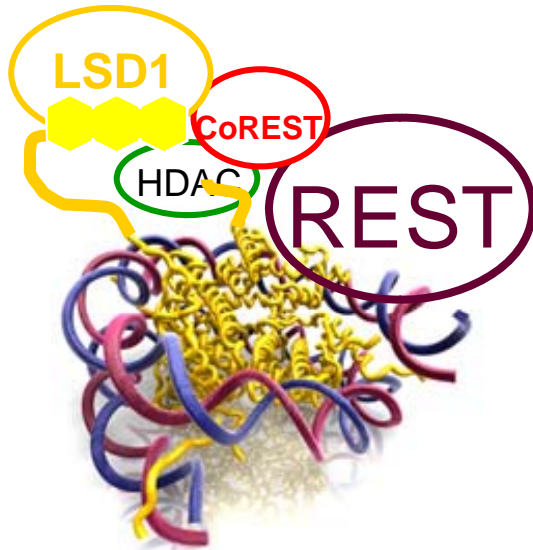


LSD1 removes an epigenetic mark in a reaction chemically similar to that of MAO



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Forneris et al. (2005) FEBS Lett. **579**, 2203

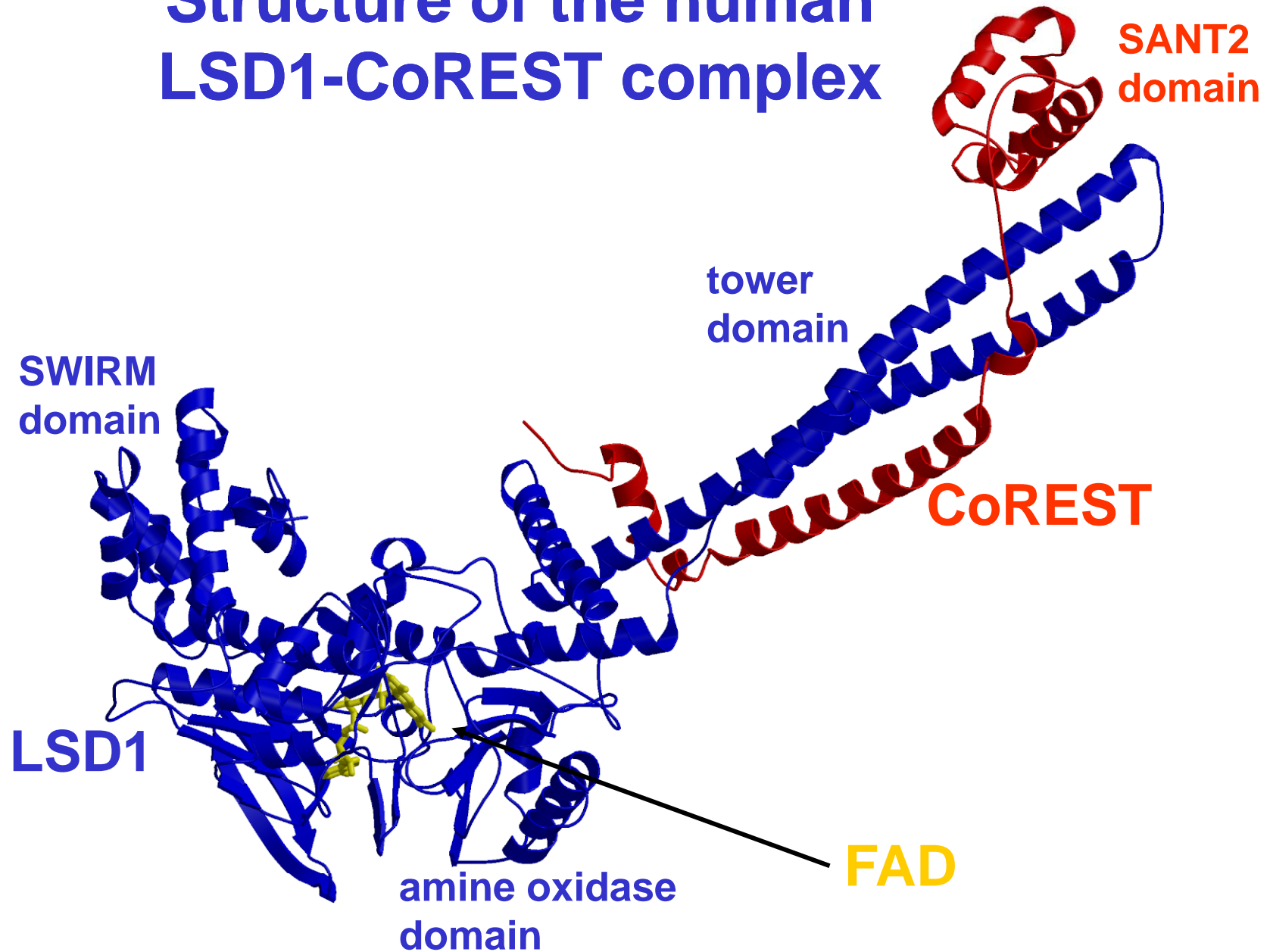


LSD1 and CoREST

Yeast two-hybrid assay

LSD1	HIS	β Gal	CoREST
	+		
	+		
	-		

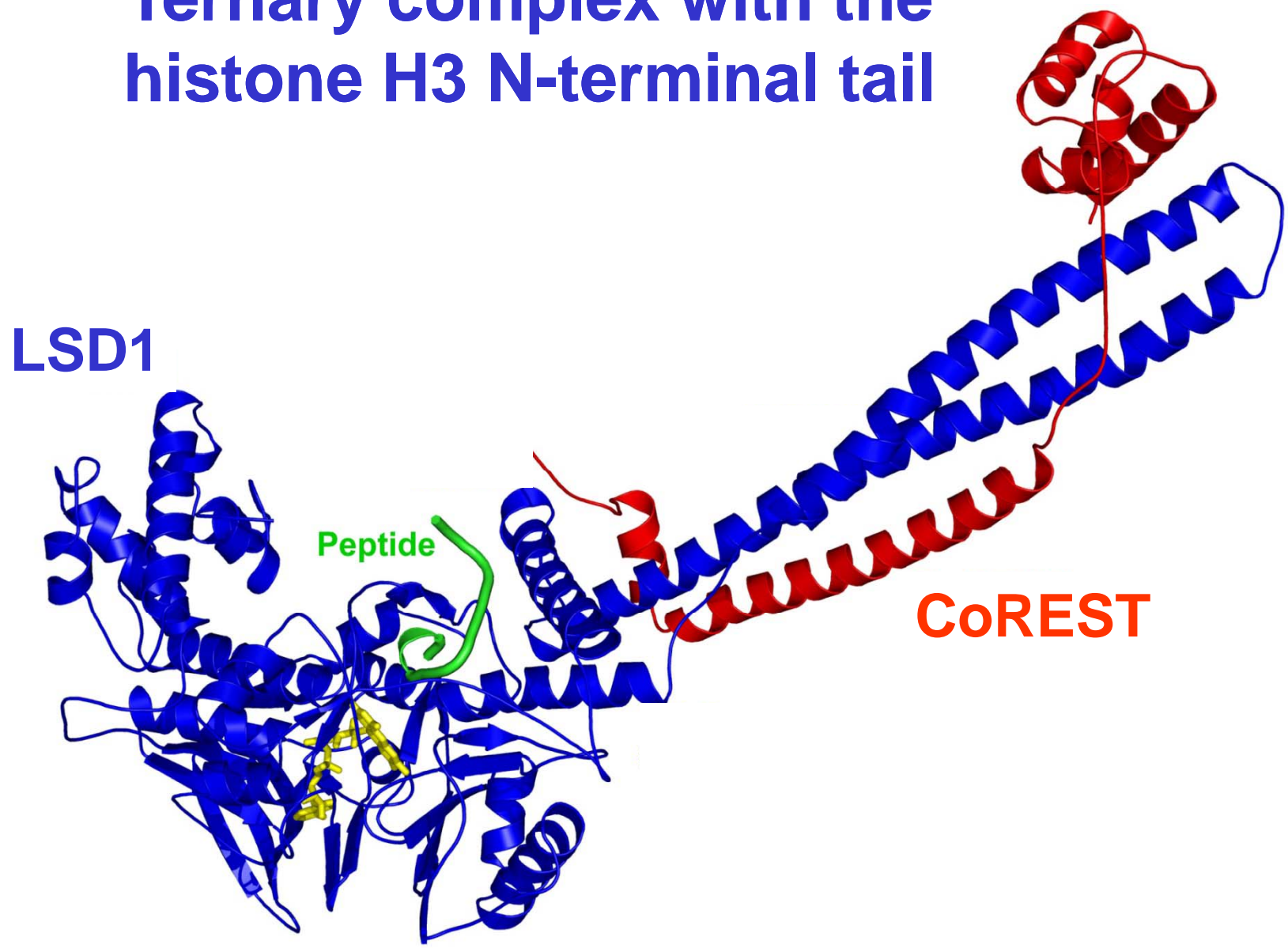
Structure of the human LSD1-CoREST complex



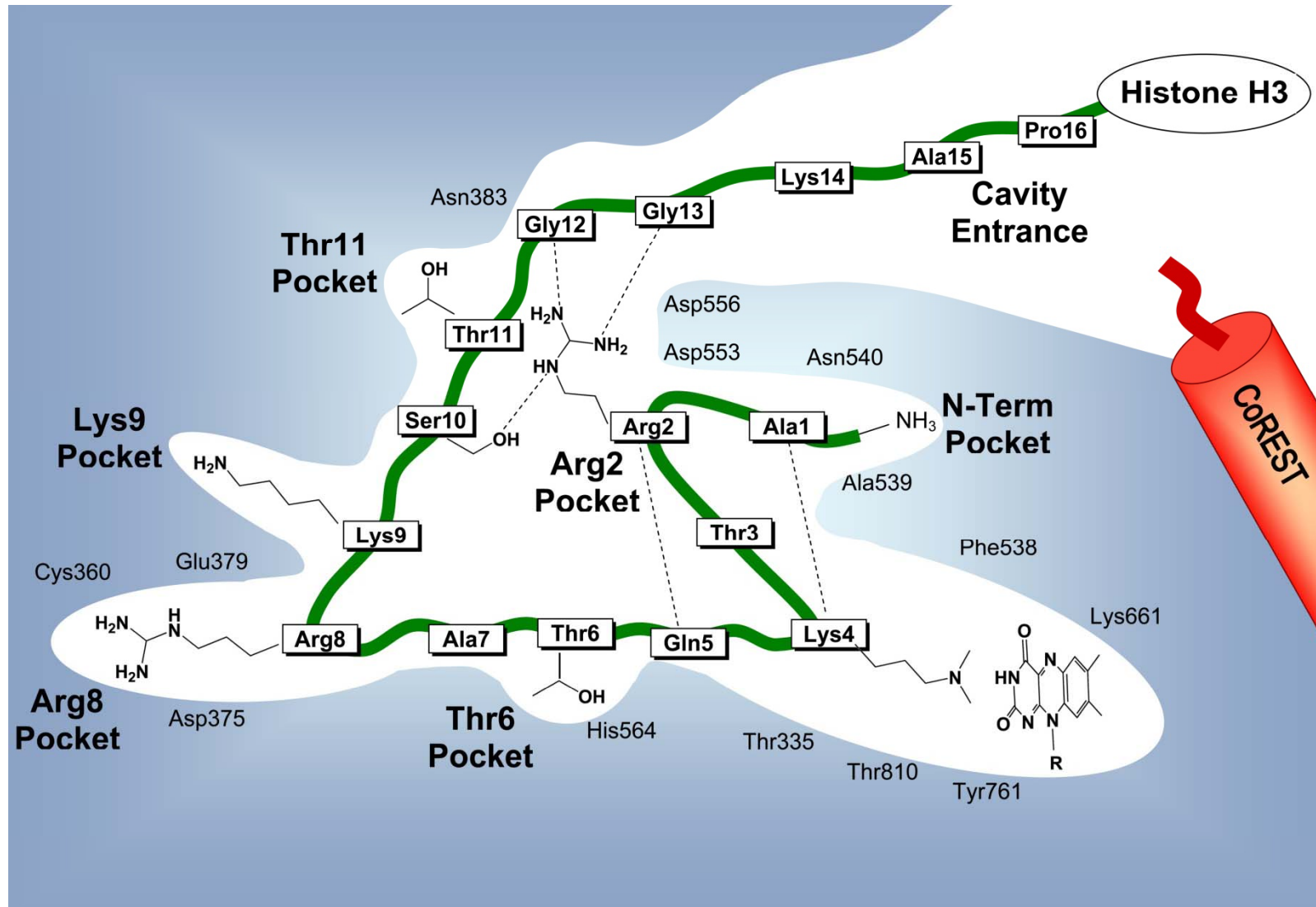
H3

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Ternary complex with the histone H3 N-terminal tail



A network of inter- and intra-molecular interactions





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