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Advances & Progress in Drug Design

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22nd & 23rd February, 2010, Crowne Plaza, St. James, London

KEY SPEAKERS INCLUDE:

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Paul Leeson
Director of Medicinal Chemistry
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Chris Murray
VP, Discovery Technology
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Paul Bamborough
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Jonathan Mason
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Director of Chemistry, Unilever Centre for Molecular Informatics
Cambridge University

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- Hear the latest developments in computational drug design
- Discover structure and fragment based techniques for compound design
- Case studies with real life data and a strong take home message
- Learn from your peers the methods that work, and those that don't

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Efficient Optimisation Procedures for a
Drug Candidate Molecule

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8.30 Registration & coffee

9.00 Chairman's Opening Remarks

Chris Phillips, Senior Principal Scientist, Pfizer Global Research and Development

KEYNOTE ADDRESS:

9.10 Challenges in Drug Design

- Impact of drug-like properties
- Addressing pipeline attrition
- Use of ligand efficiency metrics

Paul Leeson, Director of Medicinal Chemistry, AstraZeneca

STRUCTURE BASED DRUG DESIGN

9.50 NNRTI Design: Structure-Based Approaches

Successful application in the development of non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors

- Structure Based Molecular Hybridization
- Design strategies for drug-resistant viral strains
- Structures in lead selection

Chris Phillips, Senior Principle Scientist, Pfizer Global Research and Development

10.30 Morning Coffee

11.00 Hybrid Docking

Combining ligand and protein structure information for enhanced virtual screening performance

- Use of the structure of a bound ligand to enhance molecular docking performance
- Docking by smart overlay of ligand structure, scoring against the protein structure
- Overlay process that only takes account of relevant chemical interactions
- **Case study:** DUD dataset results

Mark McGann, Principal Developer, OpenEye Scientific Software

11.40 GPCR Drug Design by Ligand Based NMR

Innovative applications of NMR methods to intact biological membranes

- Non-radioactive NMR binding assay for a G-protein coupled receptor (GPCR)
- Method development on PKA
- Qualitative and fast analysis of INPHARMA data: cross-chemotype alignments
- **Case study:** GPR40

Stefan Bartoschek, Senior Scientist, Sanofi-Aventis

12.20 Networking Lunch

1.20 Transforming GPCR Drug Discovery

Expediting the study of GPCRs

- Dramatically stabilising receptors
- The isolation of purified, stabilized and functional GPCRs
- Case study: the StaR technology and its uses in drug discovery programmes

Benjamin Tehan, Senior Computational Chemist, Heptares Therapeutics

2.00 GPCR Models as Tools for Structure-Based Design

Construction, validation and use of GPCR models in project work

- New trends in GPCR model construction
- Model validation by single point mutagenesis and employment of various biological assays
- Typical drawbacks and obstacles in GPCR modelling
- Application of GPCR models in agonist and antagonist lead optimization

Christofer Tautermann, Computational Chemistry, Department of Lead Discovery, Boehringer Ingelheim Pharma

FRAGMENT BASED DRUG DESIGN

KEYNOTE ADDRESS:

2.40 Better Leads with Fragment-Based Discovery/Design?

What's needed & how do we get there

- A target perspective: kinases, proteases, phosphodiesterases - and now GPCRs
- An in silico perspective: what can be done, and how does it perform?
- A property and polypharmacological perspective

Jonathan Mason, Chief Scientist, Lundbeck Research & Head, Computational Chemistry, Heptares Therapeutics

3.20 Fragment Optimisation

Experiences in progressing fragment hits to in-vivo leads

- Selecting fragments for progression
- Scaffold hopping and scaffold novelty
- Addressing selectivity and pharmacokinetic properties
- **Case history:** elaborating fragments hits to in vivo kinase inhibitors

Ian Collins, Reader in Medicinal Chemistry, The Institute of Cancer Research

4.00 Afternoon Tea

4.30 Optimising Fragments Using Structure-Based Drug Design

Case studies from many fragment to lead campaigns

- Application of fragment screening to hsp90
- The production of clinical candidates from fragment screening
- Stabilising the bound conformation - a secure way to affinity optimisation
- Strategies for maintaining ligand efficiency

Chris Murray, VP, Discovery Technology, Astex Therapeutics

5.10 Fragment-Based Discovery of a Potent Inhibitor of the Antiapoptotic Protein Bcl-x_L

- "SAR by NMR" approach to fragment-based screening
- First and second site screen following by linking and HTOS
- Optimization of "linked" molecule driven by structure

Case Study: discovery of ABT-737 for treatment of cancer

Andrew Petros, Associate Research Fellow, Fragment Screening and Lead Characterization, Abbott

5.50 Chairman's Closing Remarks and Close of Day One

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8.30 Re-registration & coffee

9.00 **Chairman's opening remarks**

Roderick E. Hubbard, Professor, University of York & Senior Fellow, Vernalis

FRAGMENT BASED DRUG DESIGN

9.10 **Experiences in Structure and Fragment-Based Discovery****Experiences in fragment-based discovery of lead series of compounds**

- Working with fragments in biotech and academia
- What works and doesn't work in structure-based design
- The importance of integration across structure, modelling and chemistry

Roderick E. Hubbard, Professor, University of York & Senior Fellow, Vernalis

9.50 **Docking of Fragments into Receptor Structures****Evaluation of different methods and comparison with experimental data**

- Evaluation of pose prediction and enrichment
- Effect of re-scoring
- Influence of receptor structures and characteristics
- On improving structure-based virtual screening

Romano Kroemer, Head, Drug Design, Sanofi-Aventis

10.30 Morning Coffee

11.00 **Growing Fragments at UCB****Successes and challenges in growing a fragment-based capability in a Biopharma company**

- Application to novel protein-protein interaction targets
- Exploiting the synergies between high affinity antibodies and small molecules
- Using biologicals to help evolve fragments

Richard Taylor, Principal Scientist, Computer-Assisted Drug Discovery, UCB Celltech

COMPUTER AIDED DRUG DESIGN

11.40 **'Fuzzy' Ligand- and Receptor-Based Virtual Screening Techniques for Rapid Hit and Lead Finding**

- 2D and 3D Pharmacophores
- De-Orphanization of Protein Targets
- Pseudoreceptors

• **Case study:** histamine H4 Receptor, APOBEC, PPAR
 Gisbert Schneider, Chair for Computer-Assisted Drug Design, Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich

12.20 **Lead Optimisation Technologies**

- Virtual screening with Topomer Search
- De-Novo Design

Senior Representative, Tripos
Speaker TBC

1.00 Networking Lunch

2.00 **ROW - Reaction Oriented Workflows****Creating lead libraries by virtual synthesis based on the retrosynthetic analysis of hit structures**

- Structurally diverse libraries
- Synthetically feasible lead structures
- High optimization potential

Guido Kirsten, Application Scientist, Chemical Computing Group

2.40 **Combining Simulation and Drug Design in GPCRS**

- Large scale simulation of complex biomolecules is now possible over significant time intervals
- Combining ligand-based and phenomenological models leads to better compound selection
- Introducing clinical tissue samples at an early stage can clarify target selection

- **Case study:** GPCRS APJ (Apelin) & 5HT1B

Robert Glen, Director of Chemistry, Unilever Centre for Molecular Informatics, Cambridge University

3.20 Afternoon Tea

KEYNOTE ADDRESS:

3.50 **System-Based Drug Discovery for Non-Oncology Kinase Targets**

- Kinase affinity profiling and selectivity
- **Case study:** the contribution of rational design to the discovery of kinase inhibitors for the treatment of inflammatory diseases

Paul Bamborough, Section Head: Computational Chemistry, GlaxoSmithKline

4.30 **Challenges of Kinase Inhibitors in Lead Optimisation****Approaches used to tackle selectivity issues in recent kinase lead optimisation programmes**

- Exploitation of structural information
- Review of computational approaches
- Challenges for the future

David Buttar, Associate Principal Scientist, AstraZeneca

4.50 **ChEMBL: Open Source Chemogenomics Data****Data-mining and KDD approaches to make drug discovery and lead optimisation easier**

- Overview of ChEMBL tools and databases
- Applications of chemogenomic data in aiding drug design
- **Case study:** successes using ChEMBL

Anna Gaulton, Senior Data Integration and Development Officer, European Bioinformatics Institute

5.50 **Chairman's Closing Remarks and Close of Conference**

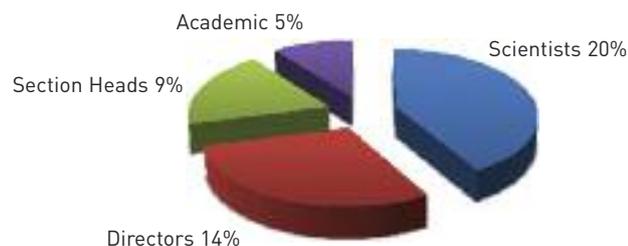
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2009 DELEGATE BREAKDOWN:



Efficient Optimisation Procedures for a Drug Candidate Molecule

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Overview:

The workshop will focus on economic and highly efficient optimisation procedures for a drug candidate molecule. It will be taken for granted that early metabolic studies involving liver microsomes and Ames tests have been carried out. The programme concentrates on a number of case studies demonstrating, accurate quantitative models involving simple equilibria (binding constants from membrane binding on receptors), steady state equilibria (ligand-receptor interactions involving agonism) and rate processes (ligand-receptor interactions 'in vivo', enzyme inhibition involving the β -lactam potencies of penicillins, cephalosporins,). Are there simple accurate transport models for determining drug half-lives where kidney elimination is rate dependent? The availability of X-ray data, species amino acid differences, sub-receptor variations and simple homology modelling is now extensive. The development of sub-receptor selectivity becomes obvious, in principle. Is random screening a largely irrelevant exercise? How do we bring X-ray structures to life using ligand data? Is 'loose' binding a prerequisite of antagonism? What use are X-ray structures when favourable entropy of antagonist binding contributes 10,000-fold to the potency?

Programme:

8.30 Registration and coffee

9.00 Welcome and Introductions:

9.10 Partition, Conformation, Interaction

9.30 Case Study I Guanine-Nucleotide-coupled receptors

10.30 Morning Tea Break

11.30 Case Study II Enzyme Inhibition

12.00 β -lactam antibiotics

12.45 Discussion session

1.00 Close of workshop

About the workshop leader:

Robin Davies has published some 35 papers encompassing drug design and is the founder and CEO of Muscagen, founded in 2000. Muscagen is a computation based, rational drug discovery company. It uses analysis of 3D protein structures, a proprietary model of receptor action, and state-of-the-art software, to design molecules which interact with receptors on the surface of human cells in specific ways.

The objective is to produce candidate drugs for valuable target markets from limited numbers of these molecules. Its approach is potentially cost-effective, efficient, reduces animal testing, and avoids likely side effects. The company's core activity is the design and structural optimisation of potent molecules that show highly selective receptor action. The synthesis and testing of these molecules are not core activities of Muscagen, and will be done in close collaboration with industry partners.

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- 12/13 Conducting Clinical Trials in Europe
- 21/22 Nutraceuticals & Functional Foods
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- 28/29 European Pharmaceutical Pricing and Reimbursement*

NOVEMBER 2009

- 16/17 COPD: Novel Therapeutics and Management Strategies*
- 18/19 Cell Based Assays
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- 18/19 Paediatric Clinical Trials
- 18/19 KOL Nordics*
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FEBRUARY 2010

- 01/02 Biomarkers Summit
- 03/04 Adaptive Designs in Clinical Drug Development
- 10/11 Parallel Trade
- 15/16 Stem Cells
- 22/23 Drug Design

MARCH 2010

- 10/11 Imaging in Oncology
- 15/16 Pharmacovigilance
- 17/18 Superbugs & Superdrugs
- 24/25 Accelerating Patient Recruitment in Clinical Trials

APRIL 2010

- 19/20 Asthma & COPD
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- 10/11 Generics, Supergenerics & Patient Strategies
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- 07/08 Pain Therapeutics
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