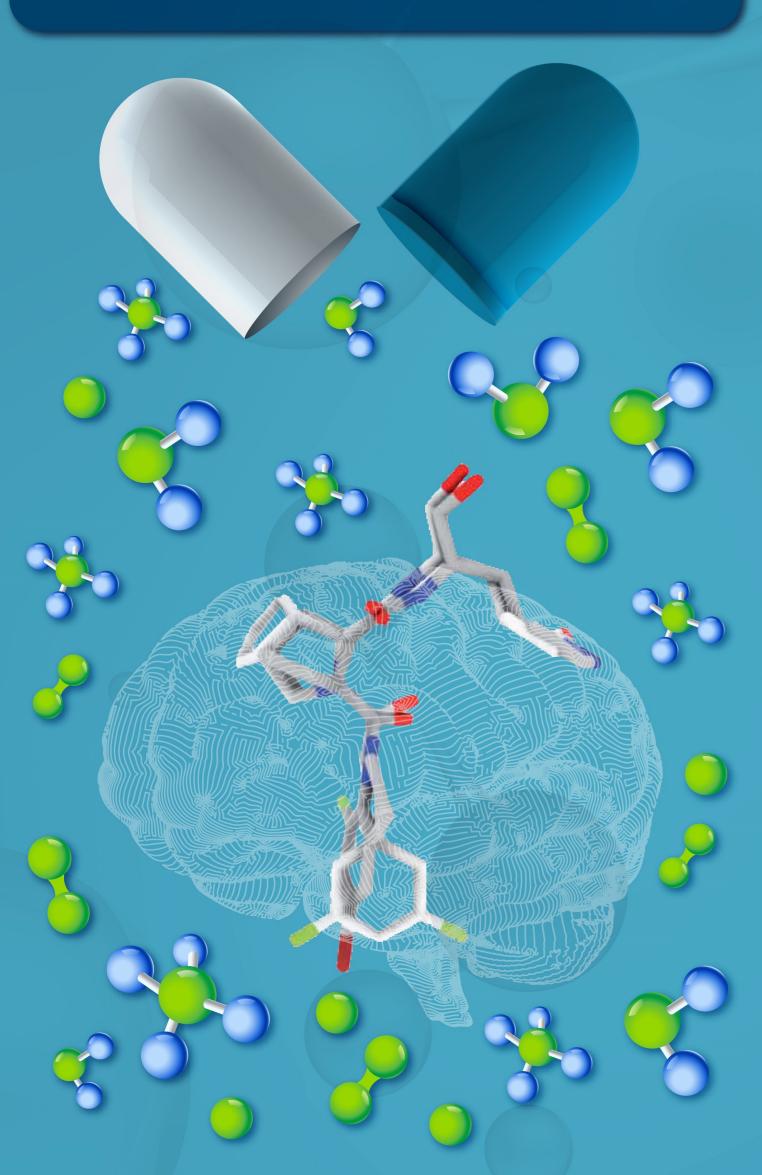
## DeepLigBuilder: An AI-Based Approach to *De Novo* Drug Design

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Deep learning-based drug design approaches that can build molecular structures from scratch are gaining a lot of attention



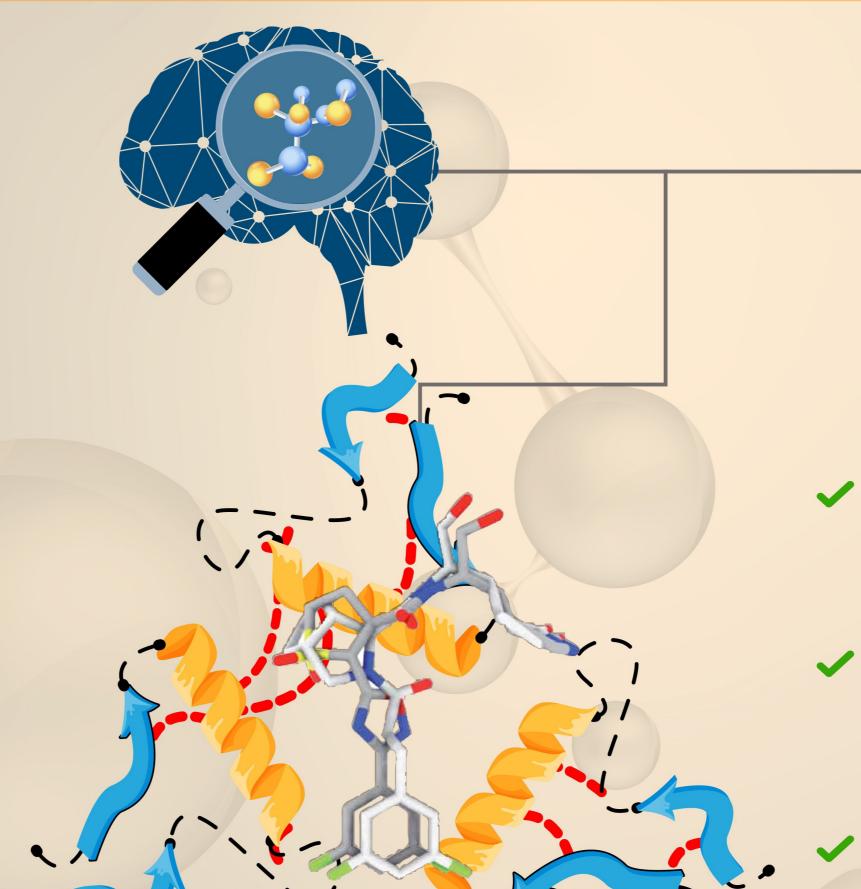
But most approaches find it difficult to generate 3D molecular structures

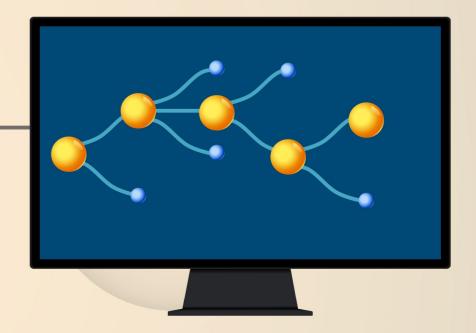
Can a deep generative model for *de novo* molecular design generate 3D structures on target sites?

## DeepLigBuilder

**Combines:** 

Ligand Neural Network to generate valid 3D drug-like molecules Monte Carlo tree search to look for strong binding molecules





- Designs novel structures with high predicted binding affinity
- No additional atom placement or bond order inference needed
- Can accept user-defined seed structure

DeepLigBuilder is a state-of-the-art tool for design and optimization of new drugs and functional organic molecules

