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Novel pharmaceutical cocrystals of pelubipufen: An approach to virtual coformer screening

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Table S1 Prediction for pelubipufen cocrystal by Artificial neural network and ΔpK_a rule.

No	Coformer	Cocrystal prediction tool					
		Data driven-based			Traditional ΔpK_a rule-based		
		Labeling (0: none, 1: cocrystal)	Probability	ANN- based Rank	pK_a	ΔpK_a	ΔpK_a pred. ^a (Cocrystal: red)
1	Caffeine	1	0.998	1	0.7	-3.9	Cocrystal
2	Acetamide	1	0.988	2	0.63	-3.97	Cocrystal
3	Isonicotinamide ^b	1	0.982	3	3.45	-1.15	Cocrystal
4	Nicotinamide ^b	1	0.981	4	3.33	-1.27	Cocrystal
5	L-tryptophan	1	0.974	5	9.4	4.8	Salt
6	Indoleacetic acid	1	0.954	6	-6.13 (NH)	-10.73	Cocrystal
7	L-prolinamide	1	0.949	7	9.81 (NH)	5.21	Salt
8	Oxalic acid	1	0.913	8	1.36	-6.3	Cocrystal

9	<i>L-histidine</i>	1	0.904	9	9.44 (NH)	4.84	Salt
10	<i>N-phenylglycine</i>	1	0.881	10	5.66 (NH)	1.06	Continuum
11	<i>4-phenylbutyric acid</i>	1	0.862	11	4.81	-	-
12	<i>Glycolamide</i>	1	0.85	12	-3.4	-8	Cocrystal
13	<i>L-phenylalanine</i>	1	0.833	13	5.66 (NH)	1.06	Continuum
14	<i>Benzamide</i>	1	0.748	14	-0.36	-4.96	Cocrystal
15	<i>Saccharin</i>	1	0.683	15	1.94	-6.88	Cocrystal
16	<i>L-proline</i>	1	0.679	16	11.33 (NH)	6.73	Salt
17	<i>D-proline</i>	1	0.679	16	11.33 (NH)	6.73	Salt
18	<i>Maleic acid</i>	1	0.61	18	2.85	-7.79	Cocrystal
19	<i>Fumaric acid</i>	1	0.61	18	3.35	-8.29	Cocrystal
20	<i>L-hydroxyproline</i>	1	0.602	20	10.62 (NH)	6.02	Salt
21	<i>Isonicotinic acid</i>	1	0.583	21	2.35 (C=N-C)	-2.25	Cocrystal
22	<i>Glycine</i>	1	0.559	22	9.24 (NH)	4.64	Salt
23	<i>L-pyroglutamic acid</i>	1	0.558	23	3.61	-8.55	Cocrystal
24	<i>Mandelic acid</i>	1	0.539	24	3.75	-8.69	Cocrystal
25	<i>4-hydroxybenzoic acid</i>	1	0.532	25	4.38	-9.32	Cocrystal
26	<i>N-formylglycine</i>	1	0.513	26	3.56	-8.5	Cocrystal
27	<i>Sarcosine</i>	1	0.512	27	10.35	8.29	Salt
28	<i>Succinic acid</i>	0	0.468	28	3.55	-8.49	Cocrystal
29	<i>Nicotinic acid</i>	0	0.456	29	4.19 (C=N-C)	-0.41	Cocrystal
30	<i>Salicylic acid</i>	0	0.299	30	2.79	-7.73	Cocrystal
31	<i>Pyrrole-2-carboxylic acid</i>	0	0.242	31	3.62	-8.56	Cocrystal
32	<i>Citric acid</i>	0	0.212	32	3.05	-7.99	Cocrystal
33	<i>L-glutamic acid</i>	0	0.19	33	9.54 (NH)	4.94	Salt
34	<i>Tyrosine</i>	0	0.189	34	9.19 (NH)	4.59	Salt
35	<i>Benzoic acid</i>	0	0.179	35	4.08	-9.02	Cocrystal
36	<i>4-aminosalicylic acid</i>	0	0.164	36	2.19 (NH)	-2.41	Cocrystal
37	<i>L-isoleucine</i>	0	0.16	37	9.59 (NH)	4.99	Salt
38	<i>Glycolic acid</i>	0	0.11	38	3.53	-8.47	Cocrystal

^a The pK_a values for PF were using -4.94 as protonated base and 4.6 as acid, respectively.

^b The co-former that formed cocrystal with PF through cocrystal screening method.

Table S2 Cocrystal screening of PF with coformers selected by ANN

	ΔpK_a	ANN rank	LAG	Slow eva	Fast eva
Caffeine	-3.9	1	Mixture	Mixture	Viscous→caffeine
Acetamide	-3.97	2	Mixture	PF	Viscous
Isonicotinamide	-1.15	3	Cocrystal	Cocrystal	Cocrystal

Nicotinamide	-1.27	4	Mixture	Mixture	Cocrystal
Indoleacetic acid	-10.73	6	Mixture	Mixture	Mixture
Oxalic acid	-6.3	8	Mixture	Mixture	Viscous→Mixture
Glycolamide	-8	12	Mixture	Mixture	Viscous
Benzamide	-4.96	14	Mixture	Mixture	Viscous
Saccharin	-6.88	15	Mixture	Mixture	Mixture
Maleic acid	-7.79	18	Mixture	Mixture	Mixture
Fumaric acid	-8.29	18	Mixture	Mixture	Mixture
Isonicotinic acid	-8.67 or -2.25	21	Mixture	Mixture	Mixture
L-pyrogutamic acid	-8.55	23	Mixture	Mixture	Mixture
Mandelic acid	-8.69	24	Mixture	Mixture	Mixture
4-hydroxybenzoic acid	-9.32	25	Mixture	Mixture	Mixture
N-formylglycine	-8.5	26	Mixture	Mixture	Viscous→Mixture
Sarcosine	-7	27	Mixture	Mixture	Mixture

Table S3 Crystal data for pelubiprofen cocrystal

Compound reference	PF-INA
Chemical formula	$C_{16}H_{18}O_3 \cdot C_6H_6N_2O$
Formula mass	380.43
Crystal system	Monoclinic
$a/\text{\AA}$	18.2765(12)
$b/\text{\AA}$	6.1664(3)
$c/\text{\AA}$	35.009(2)
$\beta/^\circ$	90.6002(19)
Unit cell volume/ $\text{\AA}^3$	3945.3(4)
Temperature/K	290(1)
Space group	$C2/c$
No. of formula units per unit cell, Z	8
Radiation type	Mo $K\alpha$
Absorption coefficient, μ/mm^{-1}	0.09
θ min-max/ $^\circ$	3.2-26.0
No. of reflections measured	14588
No. of unique reflections	3864
R_{int}	0.044
wR_2	0.179
Final R_1 values ($F_o^2 > 2\sigma(F_o^2)$)	0.049
GOF	1.13

Min. and max. resd. Den./eÅ ⁻³	0.37, -0.26
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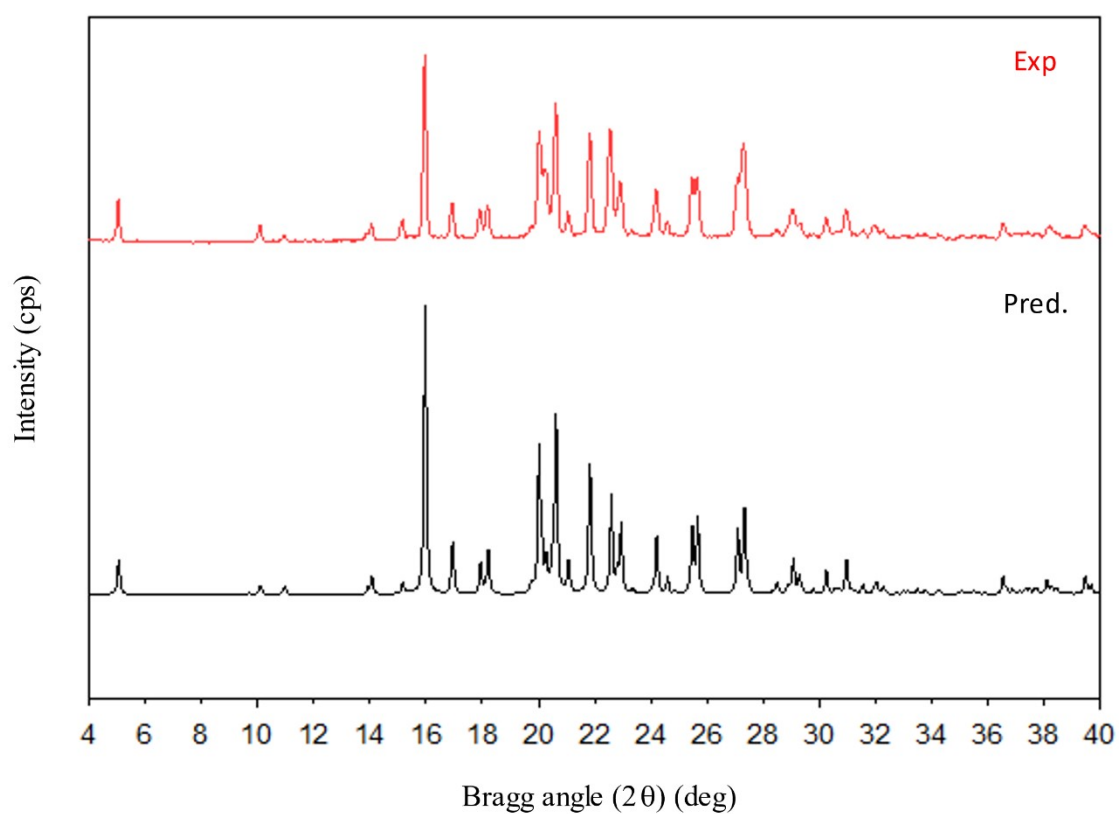


Figure S1. Experimental and calculated PXRD patterns of PF-INA pair.