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## “A QUÍMICA MEDICINAL E A DESCOBERTA DE NOVOS FÁRMACOS: o exemplo do INCT- INOFAR”

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# m e d f h e m Química Medicinal

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e *estuda os fatores moleculares relacionados ao modo de ação dos fármacos,*  
f *incluindo a compreensão da relação*  
i *entre a estrutura química e a atividade (SAR),*  
n *além das propriedades que governam sua*  
i *absorção, distribuição,*  
ç *metabolismo, eliminação (ADME)*  
ã *e toxicidade.*  
o



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Chemistry and Human Health Division (VII)

Subcommittee on Medicinal Chemistry and Drug Development.

*Eur. J. Med. Chem., 31, 747 (1996)*

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*C. R. Ganellin et al., Eur. J. Med. Chem. 2000, 35, 163; A. Monge et al., Eur. J. Med. Chem. 2000, 35, 1121*



# THE ROLE OF THE MEDICINAL CHEMIST IN DRUG DISCOVERY — THEN AND NOW

*Joseph G. Lombardino\* and John A. Lowe III†*



Joseph G. Lombardino



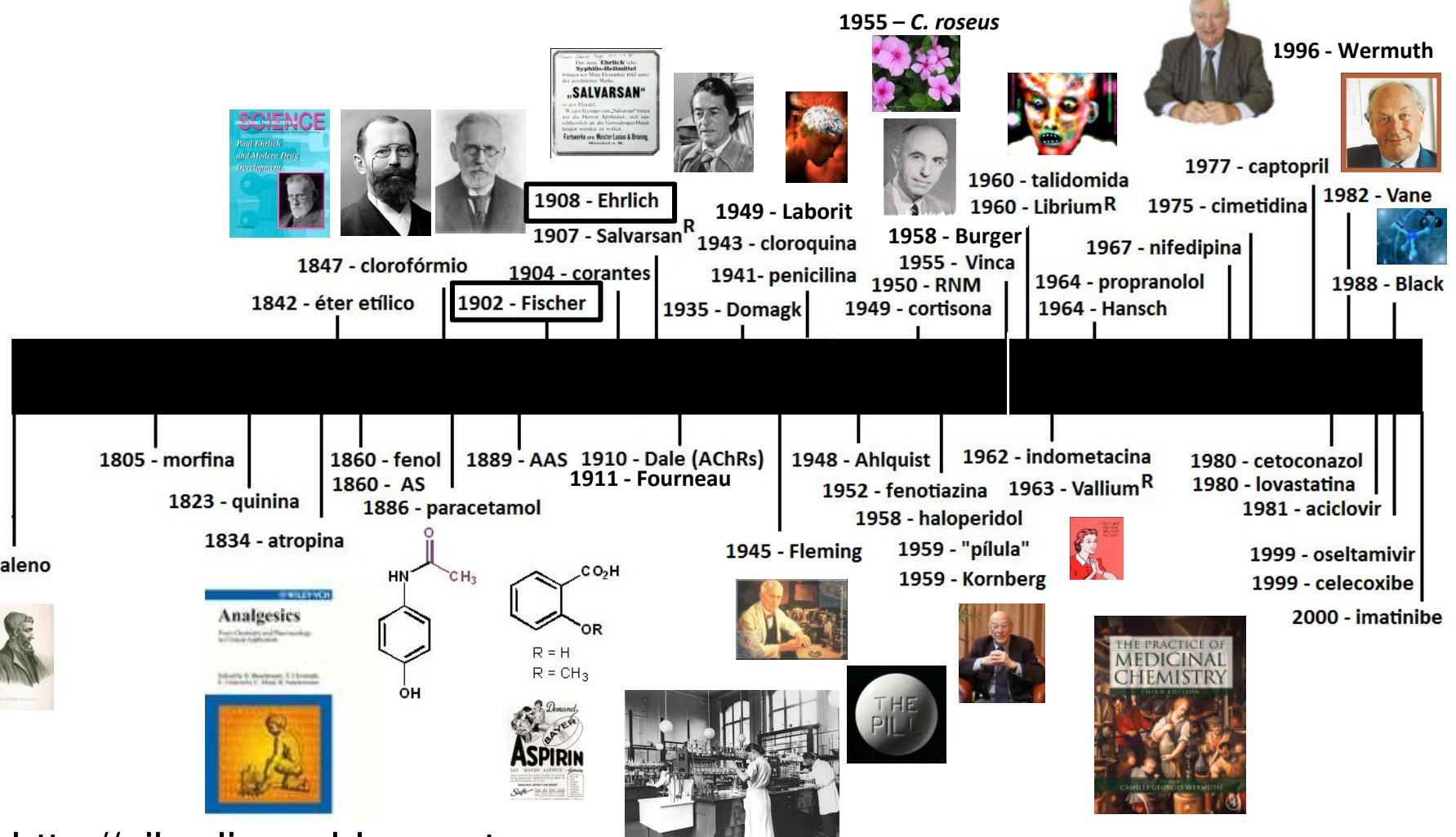
Pfizer

“ ...medicinal chemists today live in exciting times... their work can have a beneficial effect on millions of suffering patients – surely an important motivating factor for any scientist...”



*The Role of the Medicinal Chemist in Drug Discovery – Then and Now,*  
*Nature Rev. Drug Disc. 2004, 3, 853.*

# Cronologia histórica da Química Medicinal

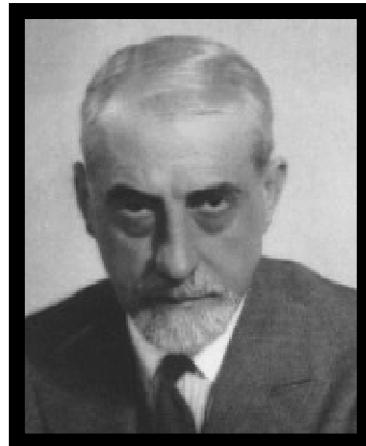


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Paradigma de Ehrlich & Fischer, Primeiro Paradigma da Química Medicinal



# O berço da Química Medicinal

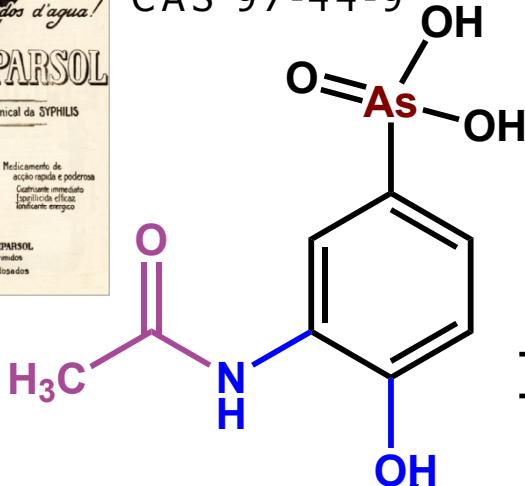


Ernest Fourneau  
1872-1949



Stovarsol

CAS 97-44-9



Institut Pasteur (1887)

1911- Laboratoire de Chimie Thérapeutique

Diretor: Emile Roux

1911-1944 – Jacques Tréfouël (1897-1977)  
Thérèze Tréfouël (1892-1978)  
Germaine Benoit (1901-1983)  
Federico Nitti (1903-1947)



Daniel Bovet  
1907-1992 \*

\*Farmacêutico suíço  
Doutor h.c. UFRJ



Prêmio Nobel de  
Fisiologia/Medicina  
1957

*Sulfonamidas,*  
anti-histamínicos.

Curare: SAR



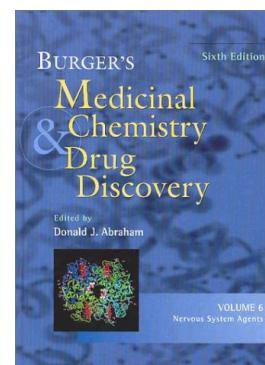
# Drug Design and Development. A Realistic Appraisal\*

Alfred Burger

*J. Med Chem.* 1978, 21, 1

*Department of Chemistry, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia 22901. Received December 29, 1976*

The discovery of new biologically-therapeutically active structures continues to depend on screening and on isolated observations of unexpected drug metabolites and drug activities. The selection of therapeutically improved and useful chemicals requires molecular modification. Refinements in intuitive and physicochemical methodology can provide shortcuts in random choices and permit extrapolations of some facets of activity with a variable degree of accuracy. The final decisions concerning the usefulness of a drug remain in the domain of experimental and clinical pharmacology.



# Prof. Alfred Burger

(1904-2000)

University of Virginia  
EUA

1958 – fundou o Journal of the Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Chemistry → depois Journal of Medicinal Chemistry

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“An Editor’s Commentary on the Birth of a Journal”,  
*J. Med. Chem.* 1991, 34, 2-6



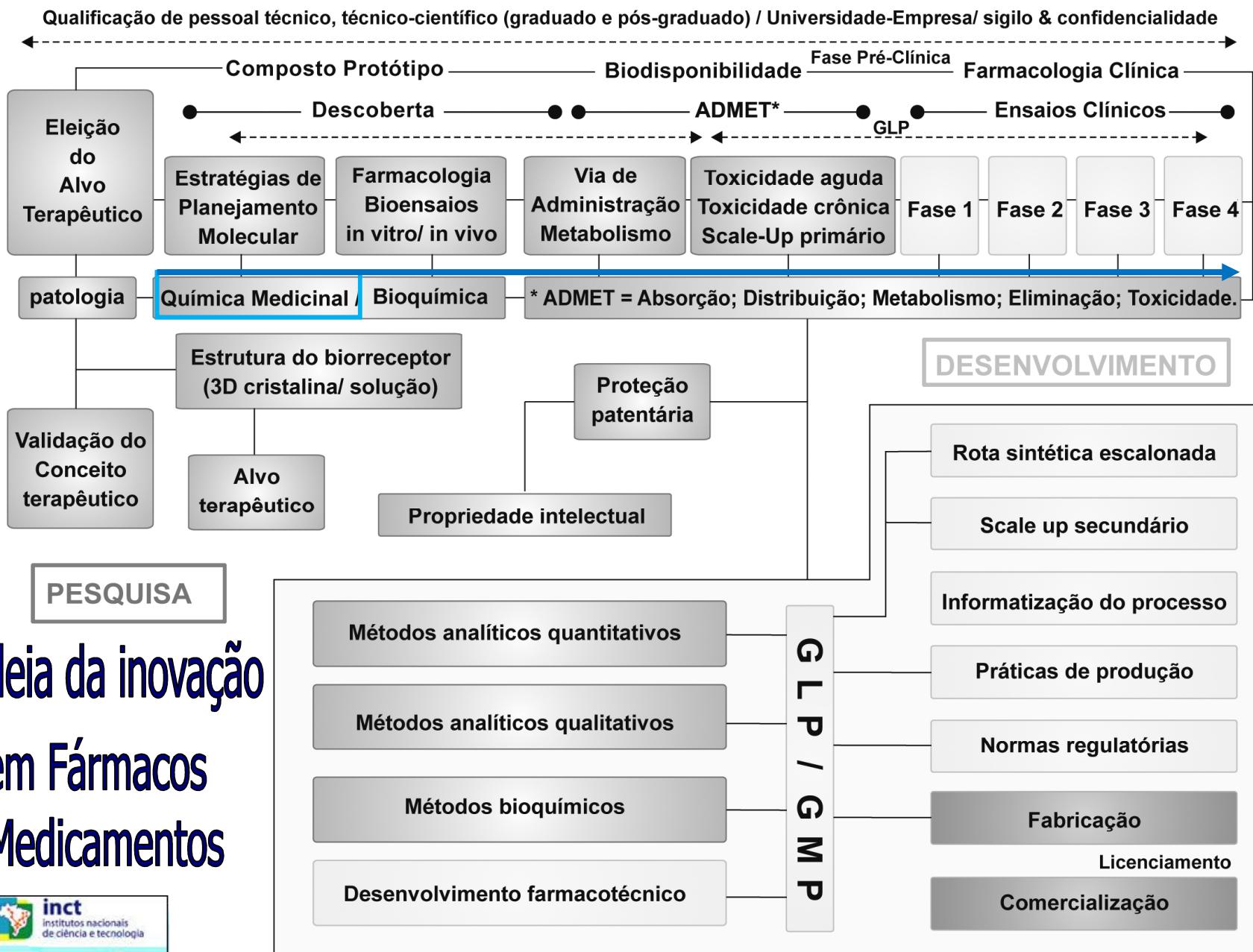
O processo da descoberta/invenção de fármacos ...

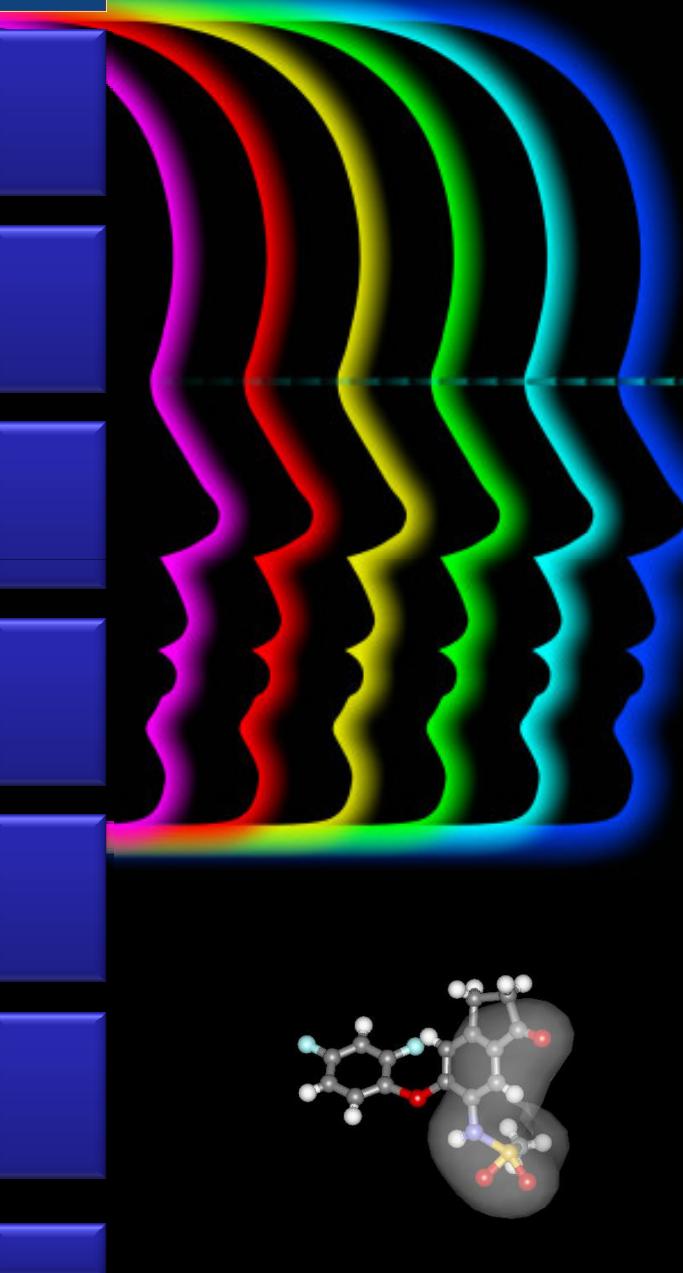


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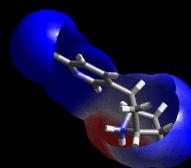


# Cadeia da inovação em Fármacos e Medicamentos





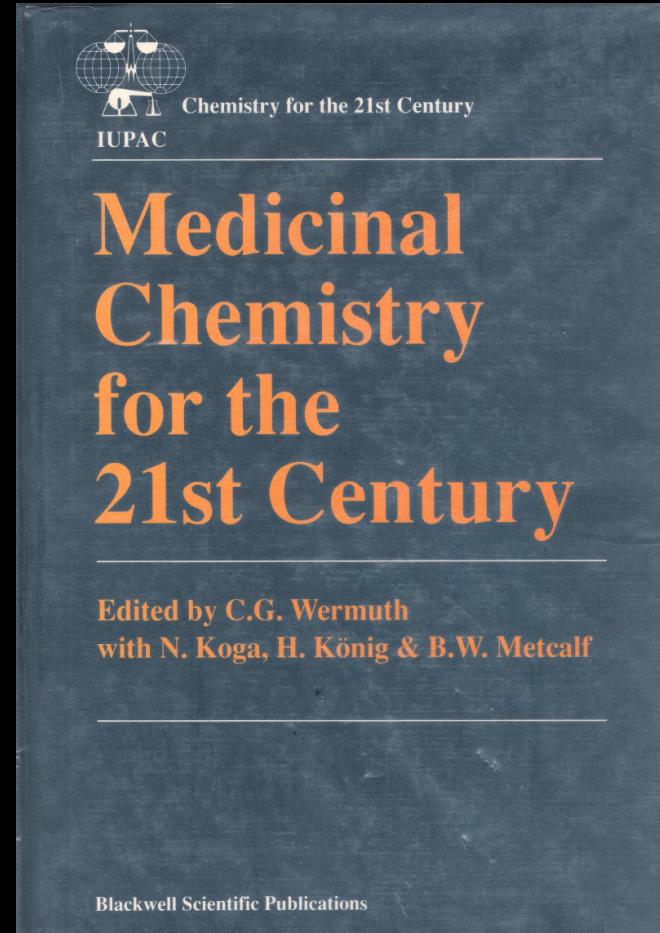
Atualmente, os novos fármacos, capazes de atuarem em **qualquer**  **alvo-terapêutico**, são *descobertos/inventados* por planejamento racional.



**Química Medicinal**



# A Química Medicinal

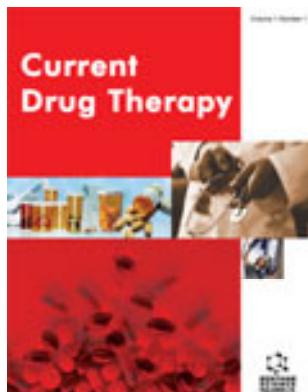


# New Insights for Multifactorial Disease Therapy: The Challenge of the Symbiotic Drugs

Eliezer J. Barreiro and Carlos Alberto Manssour Fraga

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**Química Medicinal**

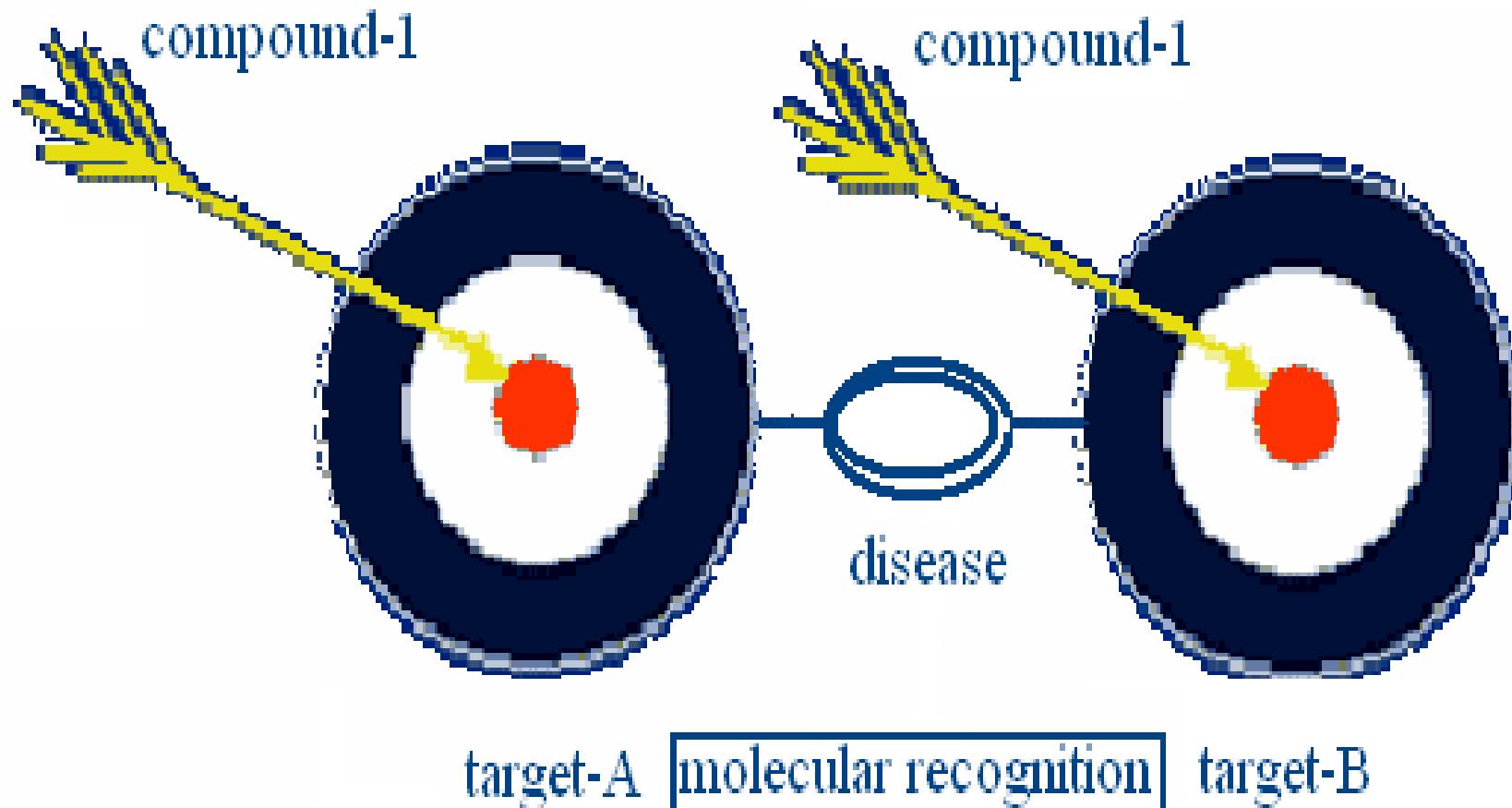
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O tratamento de uma patologia multifatorial  
(e.g. doenças crônicas não transmissíveis, câncer, metabólicas, etc) com fármacos planejados para alvos terapêuticos únicos  
(*Primeiro paradigma da Química Medicinal ou Paradigma de Ehrlich & Fischer*) será sempre paliativo! Estas patologias requerem fármacos multi-alvos, i.e. duplos, mixtos, múltiplos ou simbióticos.



# The multiple-target lead design





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Farmacologia

Molecular  
Modelagem  
Modeling  
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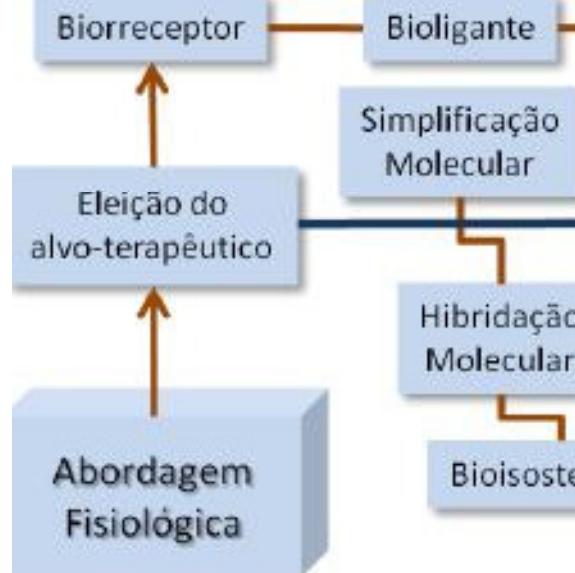
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# A abordagem

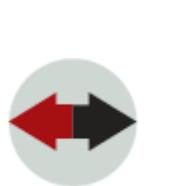
approach  
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**hit/ligante**



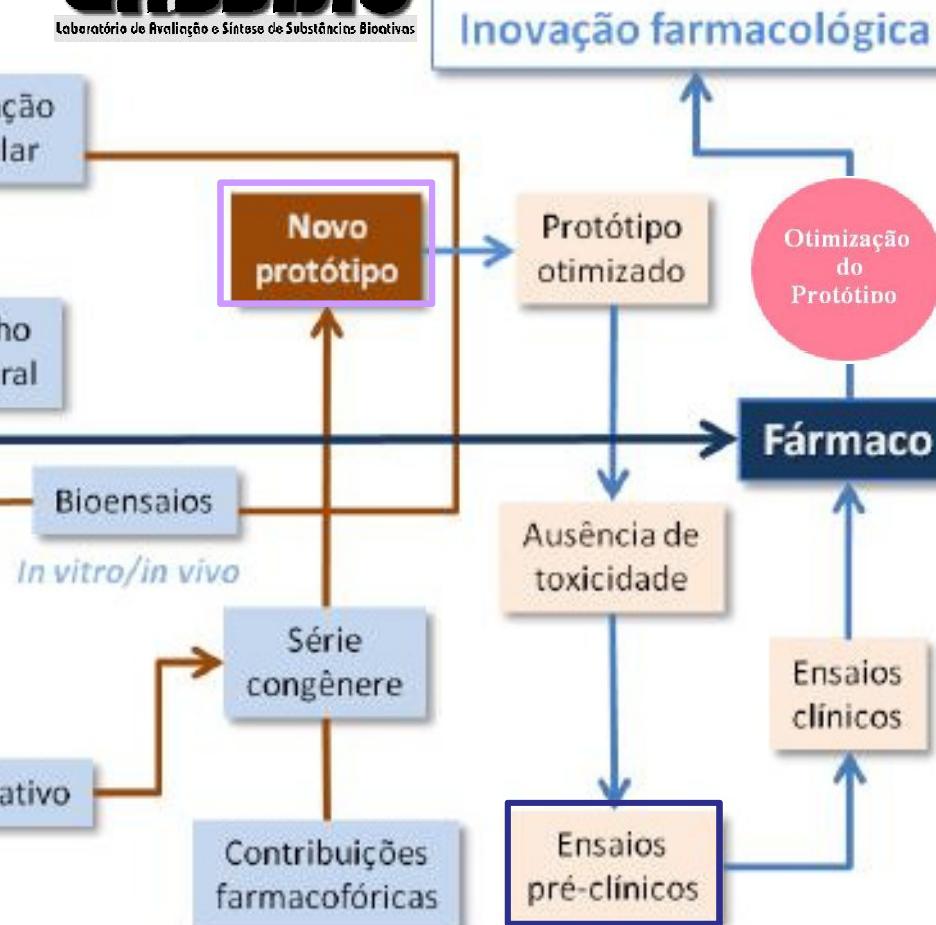
**Estratégias de  
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validação precoce do  
alvo-terapêutico



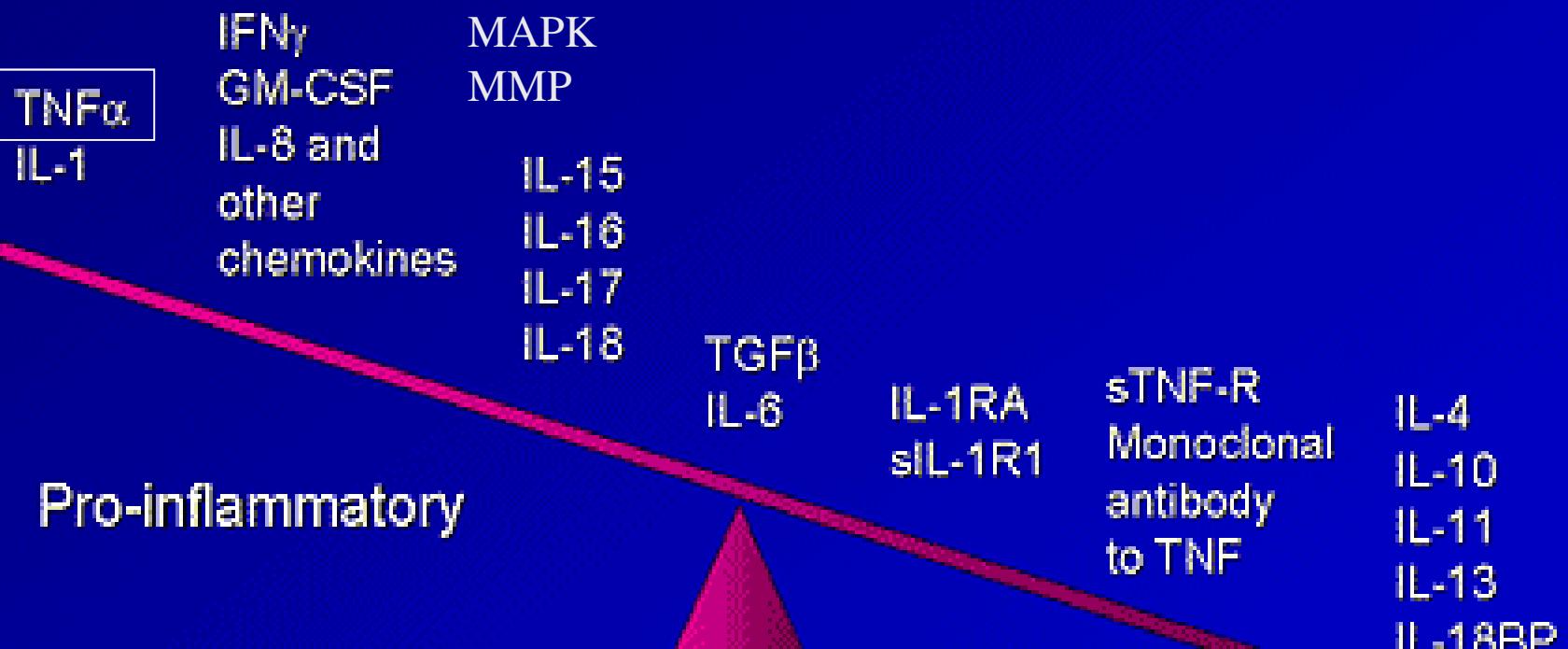
**Química  
Medicinal**

Inovação farmacológica





# Role of Cytokines and Cytokine Inhibitors in Chronic Inflammation

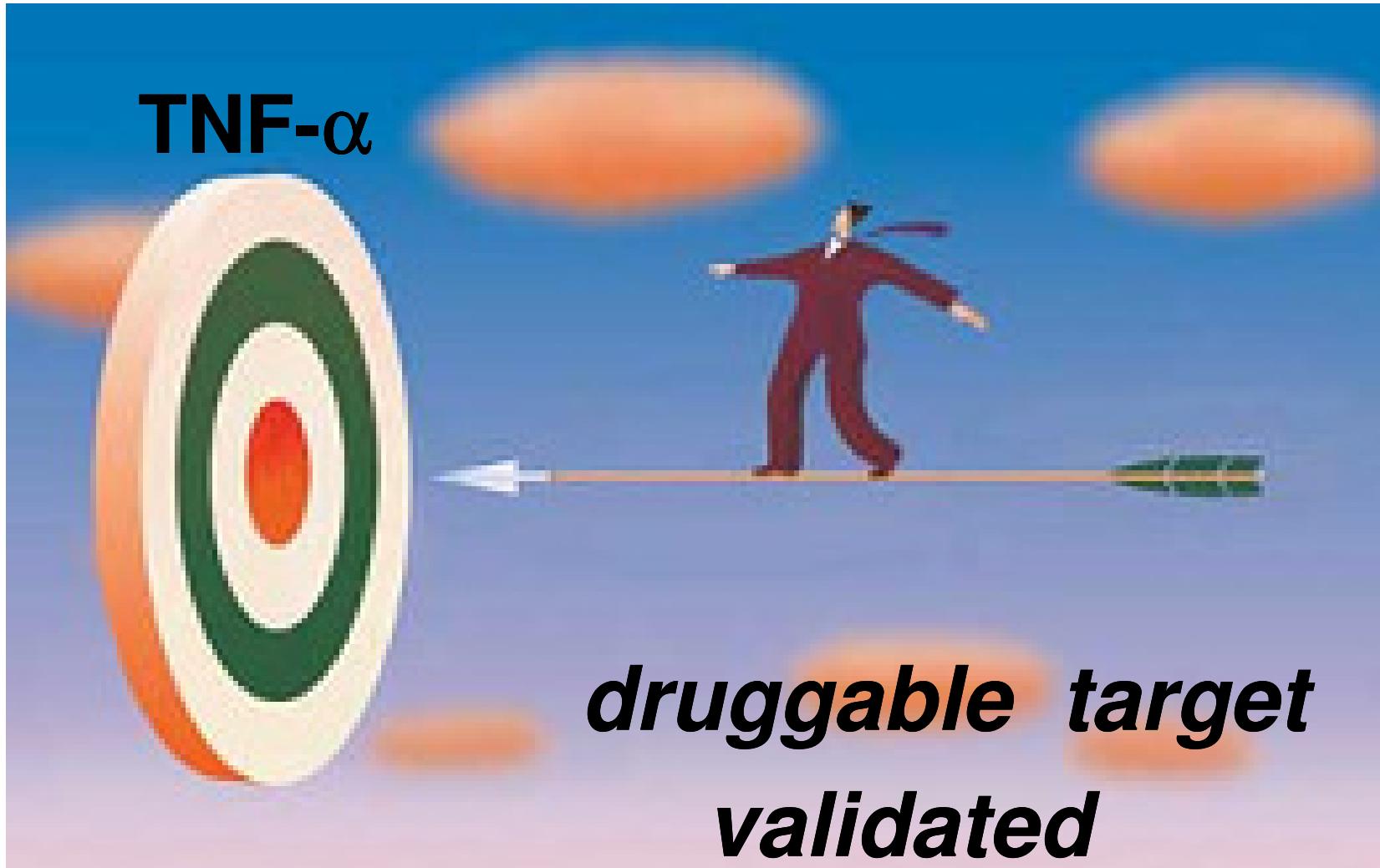


Arend. *Arthritis Rheum* 2001.

\* TNF- $\alpha$  = Tumor necrosis factor-alpha



# The Target Election: TNF- $\alpha$



**TNF- $\alpha$  is a cytokine that appears rapidly in response to inflammatory injury**

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PC Taylor, Pharmacology of TNF blockade in RA and other chronic inflammatory diseases, *Curr. Op. Pharmacol.*  
2010, 10, 308



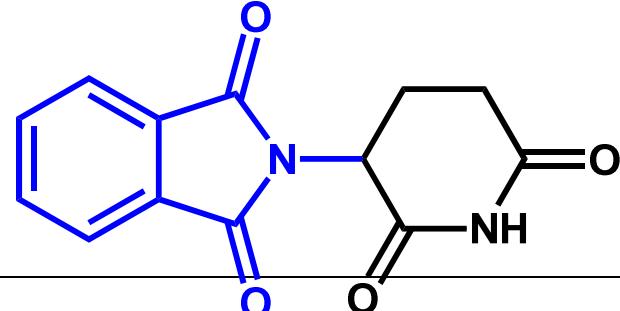
# Anti-TNF $\alpha$ Therapies

*Protein-based anti-TNF-alpha Therapies in Clinical Use\**

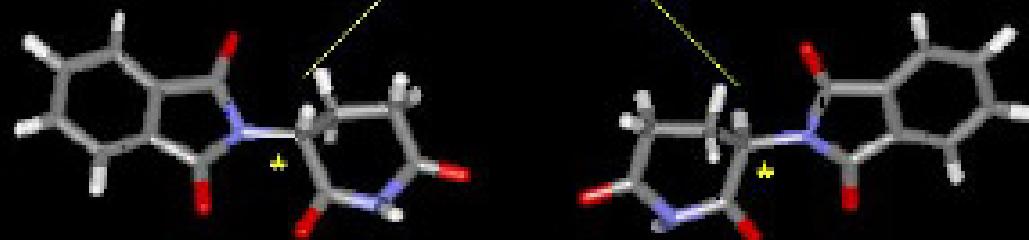
Drug	Status	Biological Form
Etanercept	approved	soluble TNFR2 coupled to Fc portion of IgG
Infliximab	approved	chimeric anti-human TNF antibody
Adalimumab	approved	anti-human TNF antibody
ISIS 104838	clinical	TNF anti-sense
Onercept	clinical	soluble p55 TNFR
Humicade	clinical	anti-TNF humanised IgG4

PC Taylor, Pharmacology of TNF blockade in rheumatoid arthritis and other chronic inflammatory diseases, *Curr. Op. Pharmacol.* **2010**, 10, 308

\* protein-based injectable anti-TNF $\alpha$  therapies



2-(2,6-Dioxo-3-piperidinyl)-1*H*-isoindole-1,3(2*H*)-dione

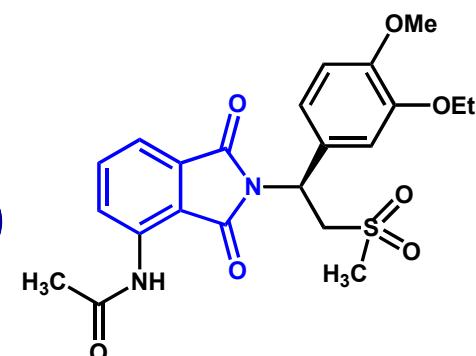


## Thalidomide Anti-TNF

TNF- $\alpha$  IC<sub>50</sub> = 200  $\mu$ M



Wilhelm Kunz, 1953  
Herbert Keller, 1953  
CNS, 1957  
Frances Kelsey, 1961  
Gilla Kaplan, 1991 (TNF- $\alpha$ )  
Elisabeth Sampaio, 1997

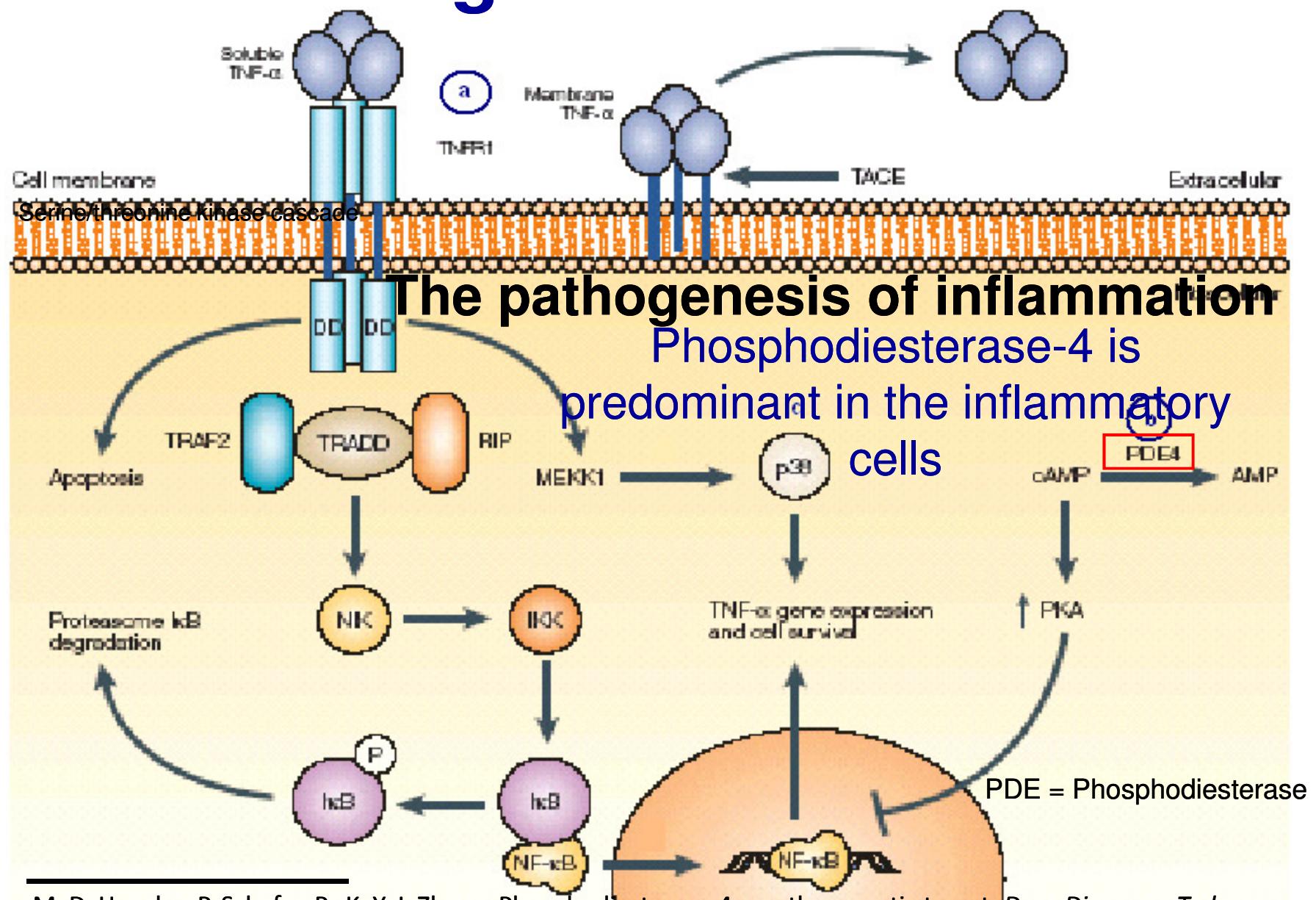


Apremilast, Phase II, Celgene (2009)

H-W Man et al., J. Med. Chem. 2009, 52, 1522



# Second Target Election:PDE-4



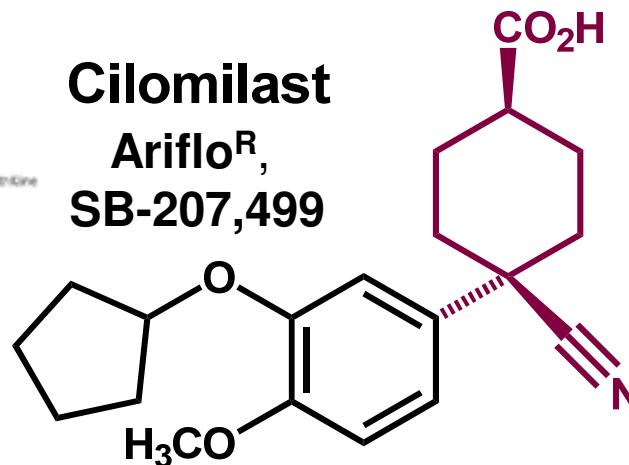
M. D. Houslay, P. Schafer, P.; K. Y. J. Zhang, Phosphodiesterase-4 as a therapeutic target, *Drug Discovery Today* 2005, 10, 1503; B. J. Lipworth, Phosphodiesterase-4 inhibitors for asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, *Lancet* 2005, 365, 167



# Alvo terapêutico validado

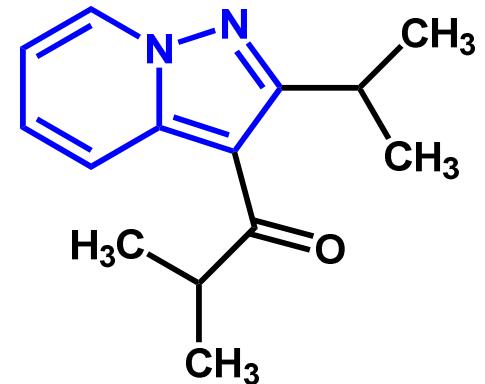
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GlaxoSmithKline

**Cilomilast**  
**Ariflo<sup>R</sup>,**  
**SB-207,499**



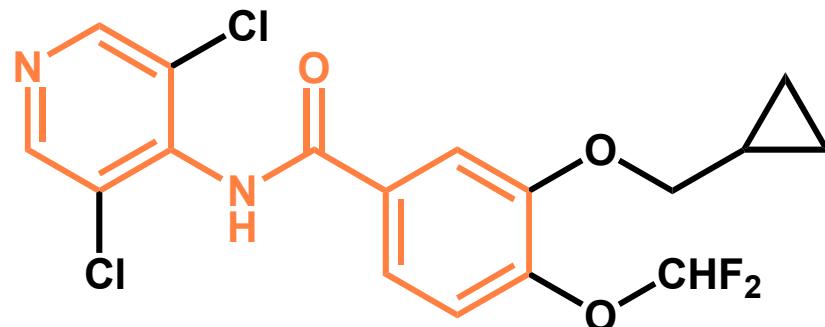
4-cyano-cyclohexyl carboxylic acid

**Ibudilast**



pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyridine

**Ruflomilast**



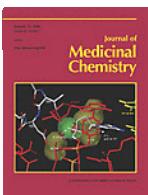
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**2011**

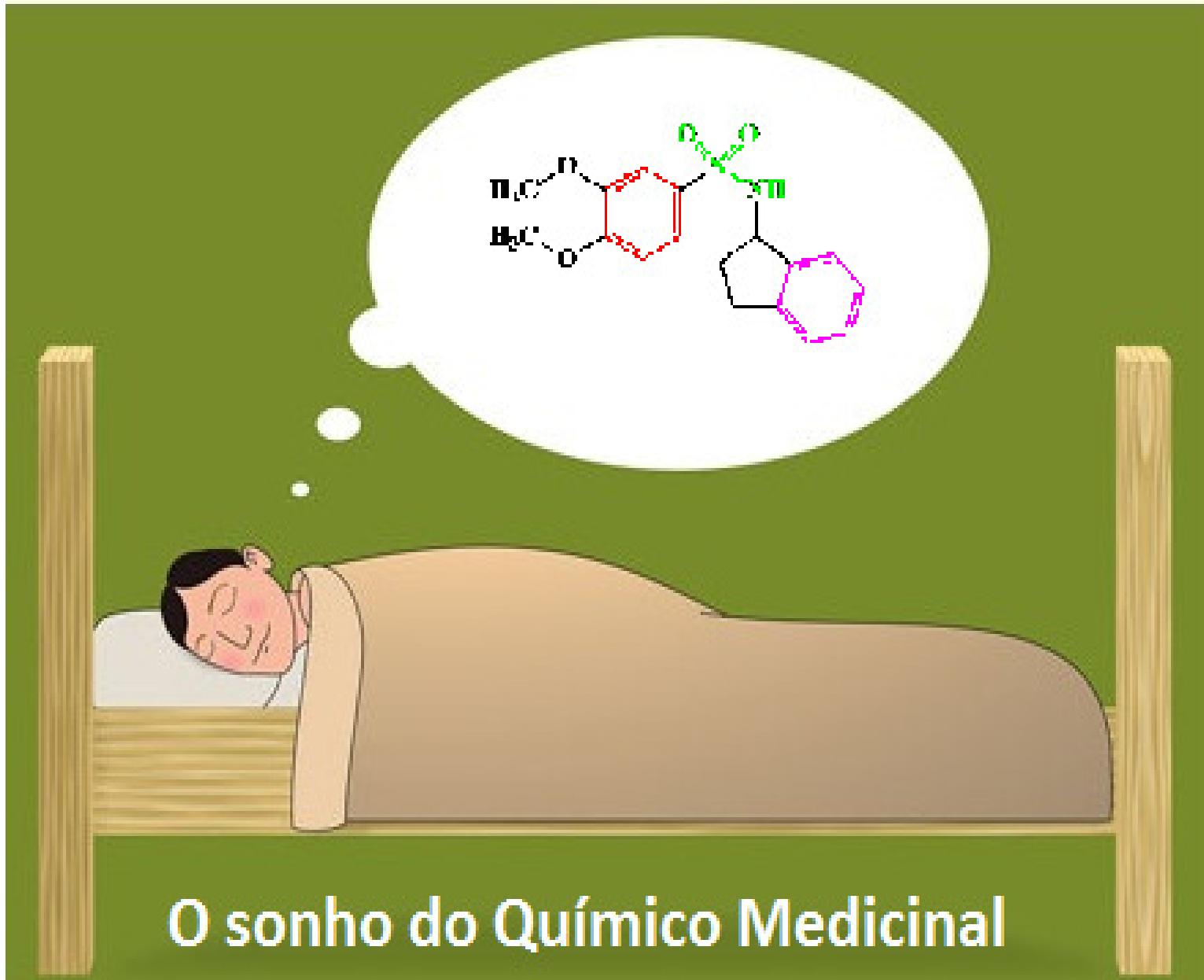
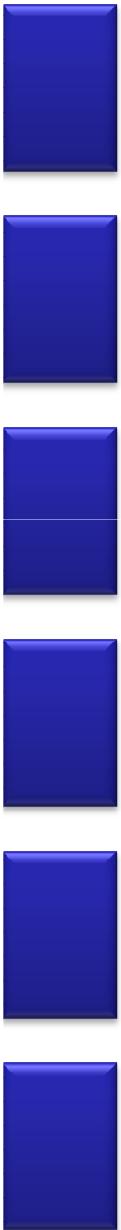
pyridine-benzamide

Recent advances on phosphodiesterase 4 inhibitors for the treatment of asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

A. Kodimuthali, S. S. L. Jabaris, M. Pal

*J. Med. Chem.* **2008**, *51*, 5471

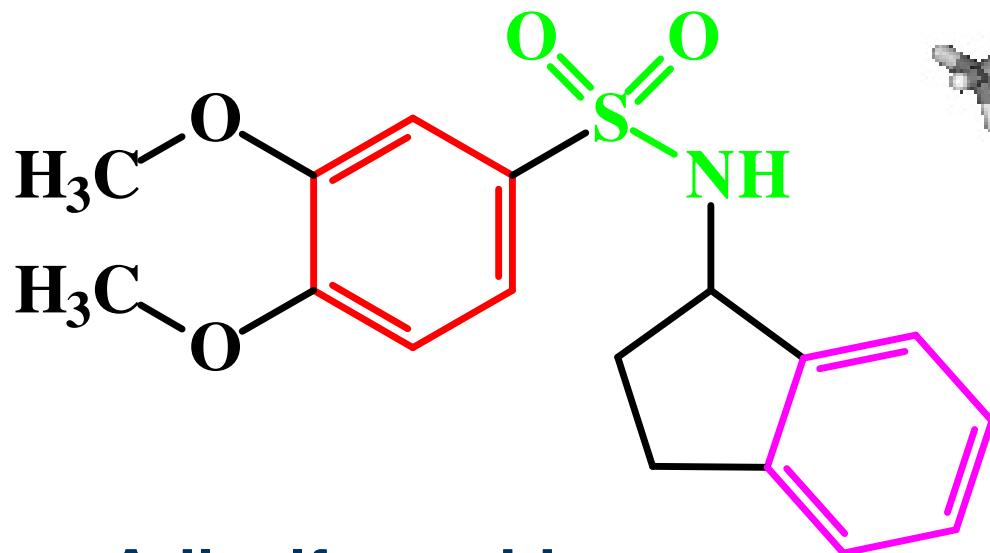




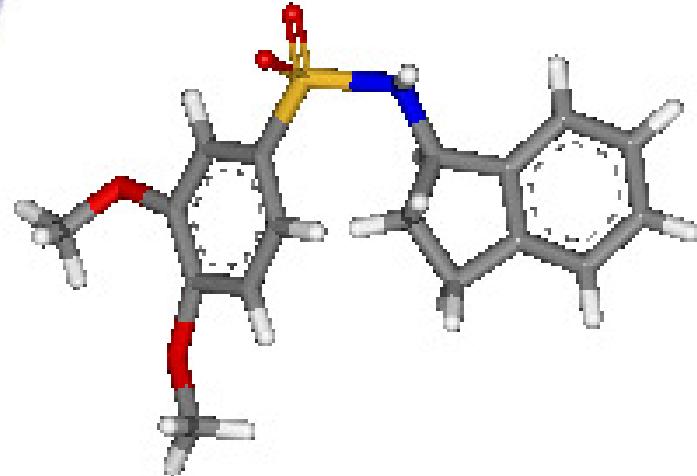
O sonho do Químico Medicinal



# medicinal chemistry



Arilsulfonamide



PDE-4i IC<sub>50</sub> = 4.3 μM

Patent US 5728712 , Application Number US/08/650672; 20 May, 1996

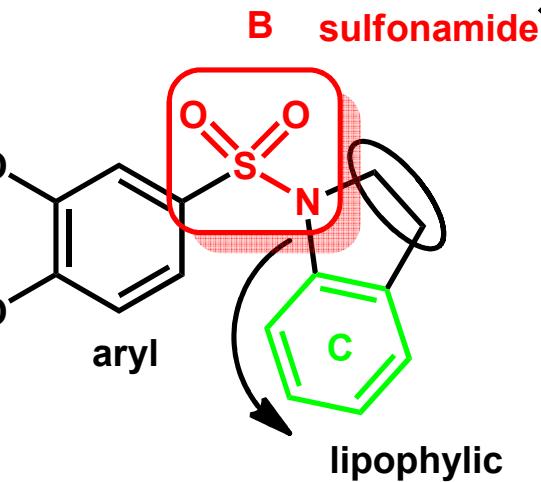
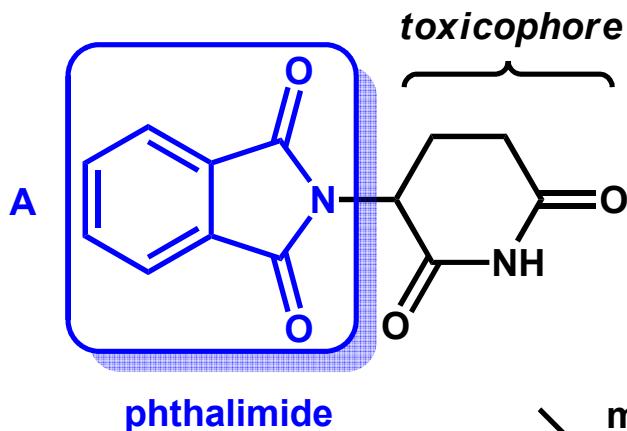
J. G. Montana *et al.*\*, "Arylsulfonamides as selective PDE-4 inhibitors",  
*Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett.* **1998**, *8*, 2635

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\* Chiroscience Ltd, Cambridge Science Park, Cambridge, UK

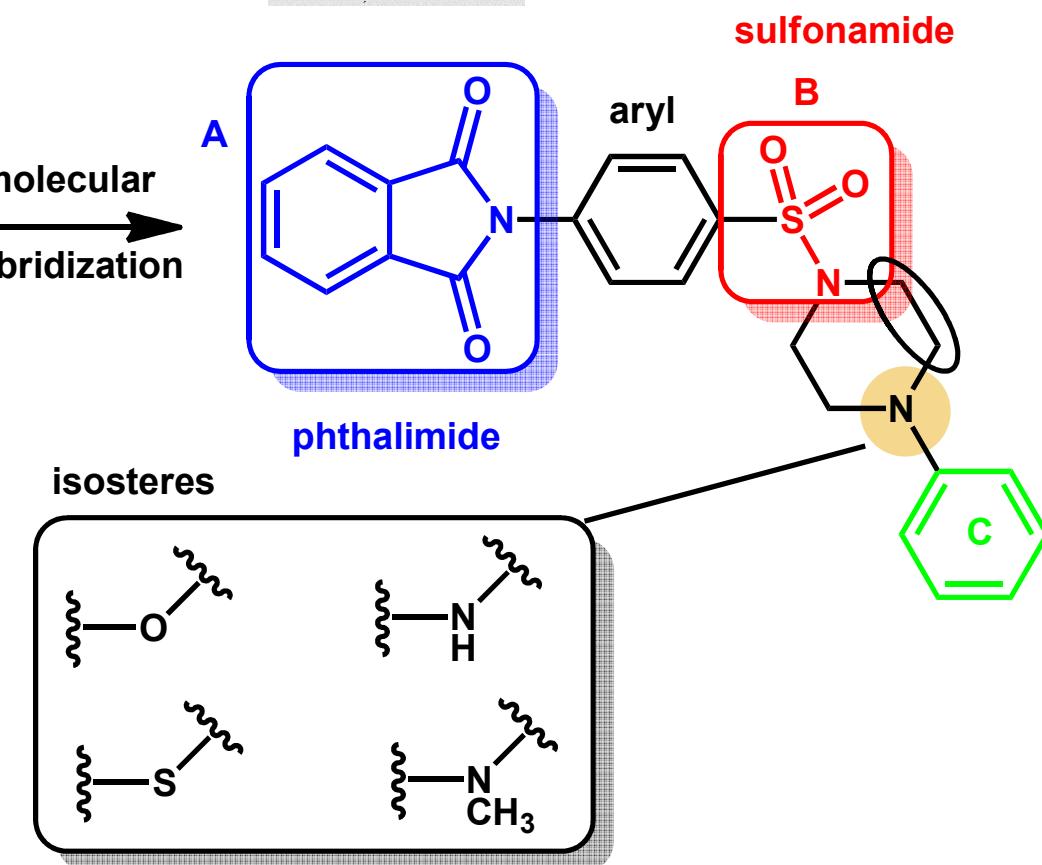


# The design of new dual agent with anti-TNF $\alpha$ activity & PDE-4i



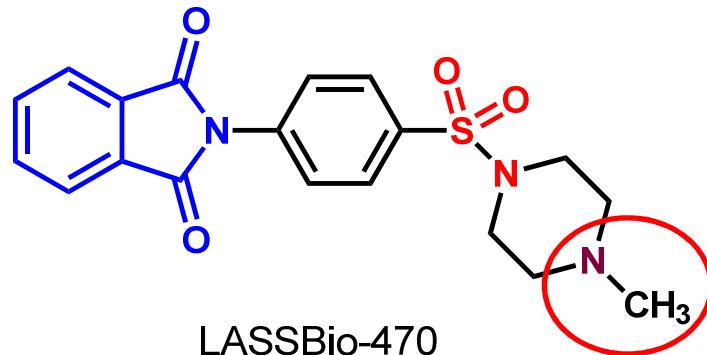
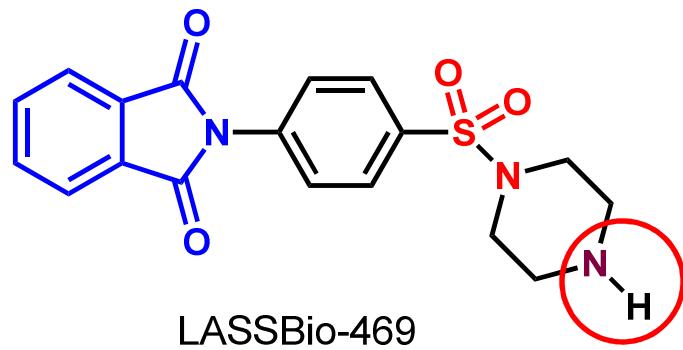
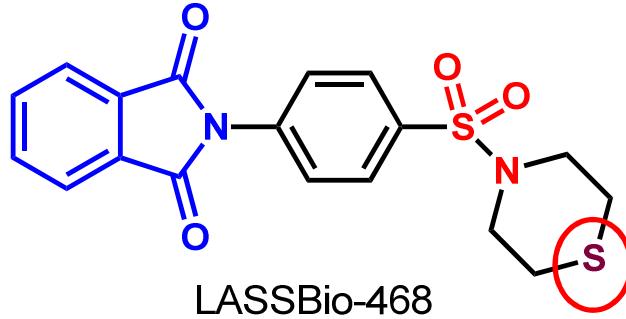
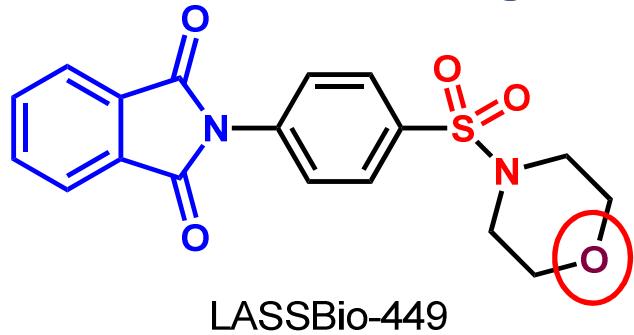
Montana et al., 1998

Drug Design

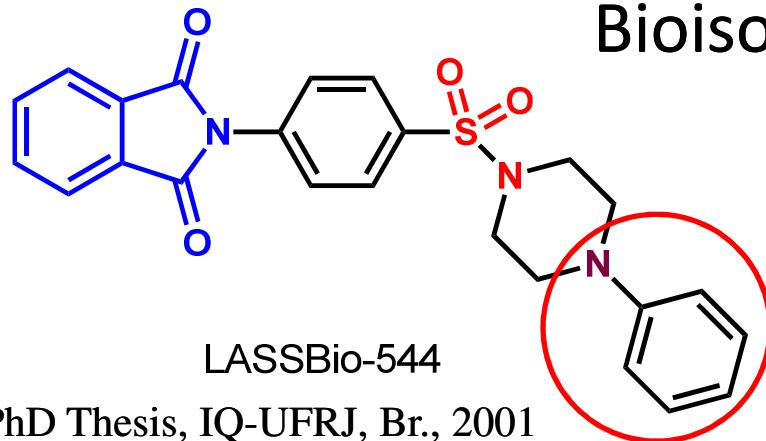




# Série Congênera



Bioisosterismo



Lidia M. Lima (LASSBio), PhD Thesis, IQ-UFRJ, Br., 2001

## Effect of compound LASSBio 468 (50 mg/kg, i.p.) on TNF- $\alpha$ levels and neutrophils influx (BALB/c of mice lungs)

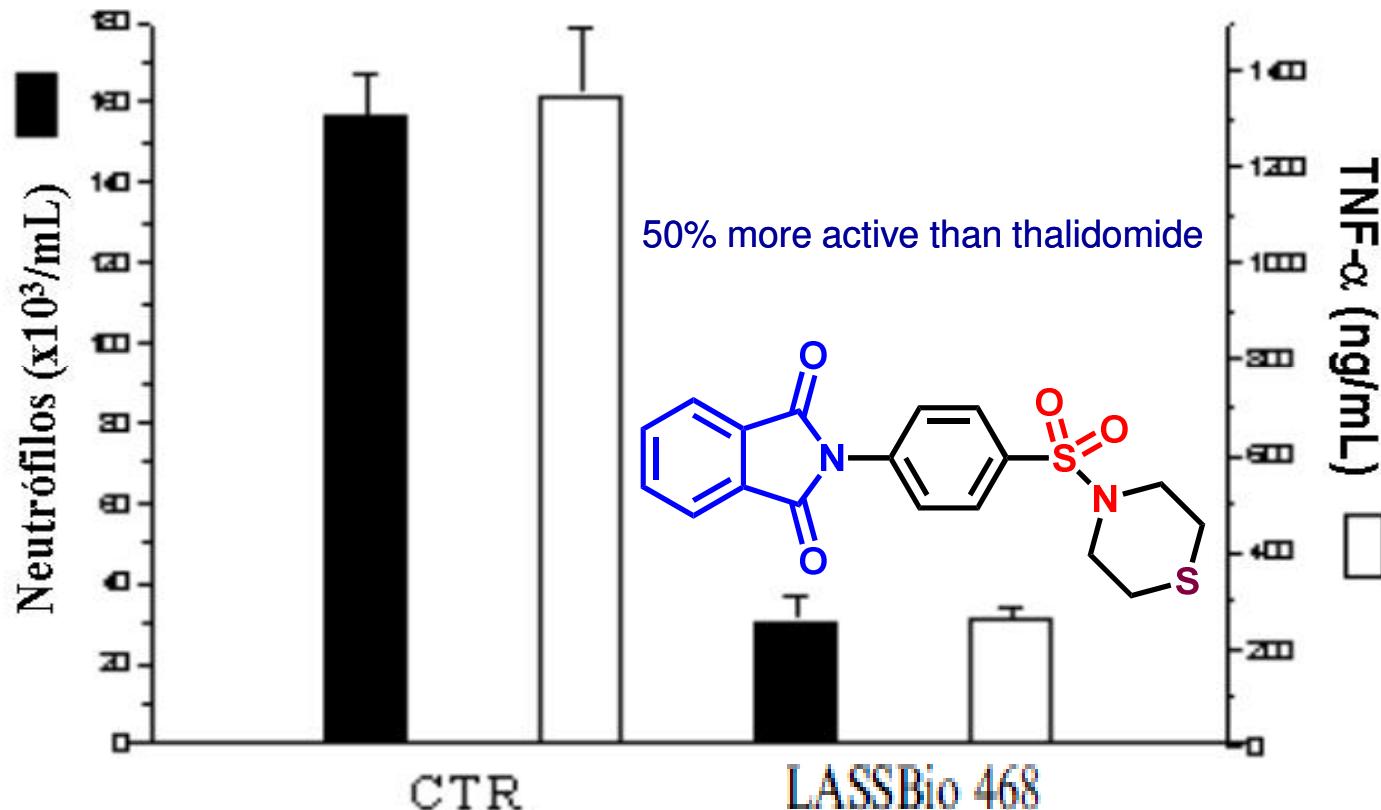
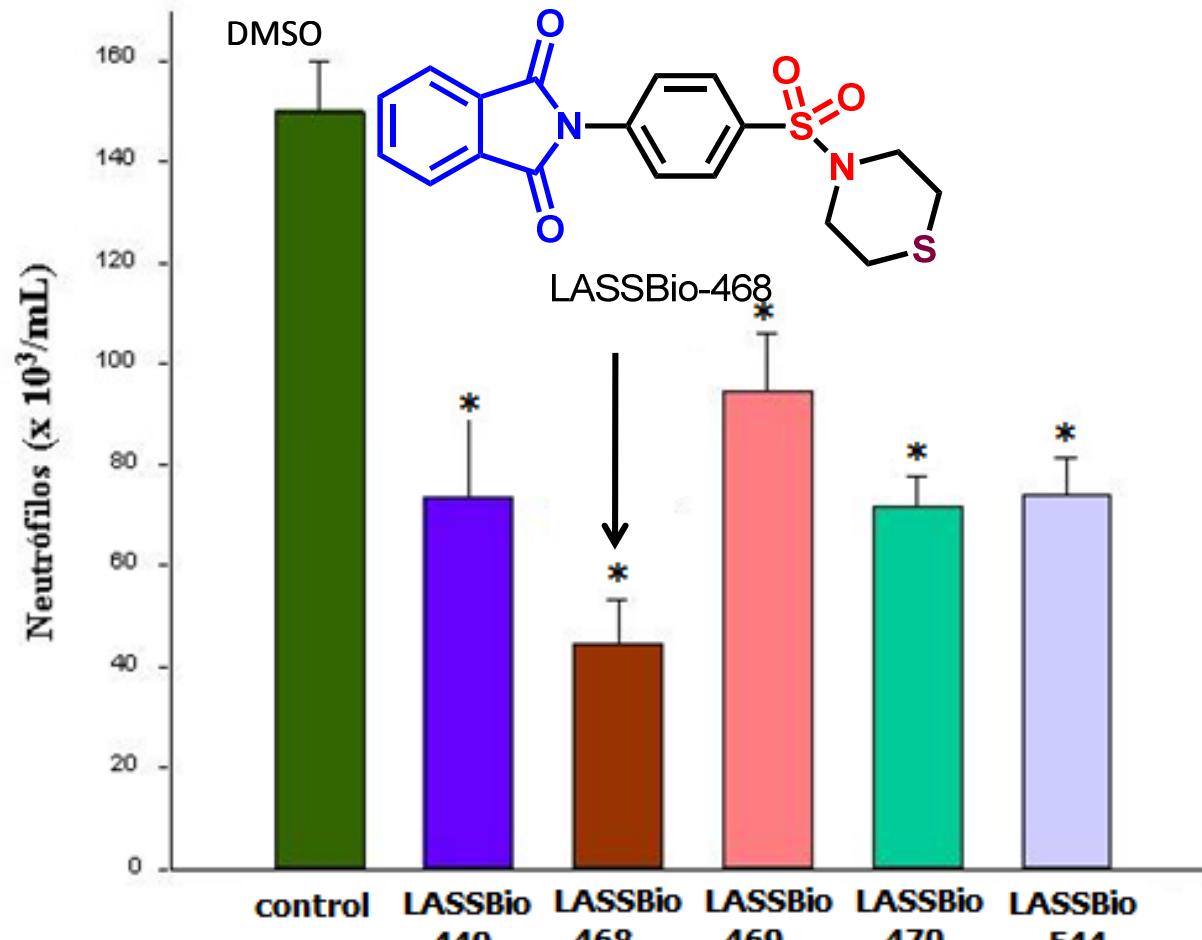


Fig. 1 Effect of LASSBio-468, thalidomide and pentoxifylline on survival BALB/c mice after LPS (500  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mice}$ ) administration.

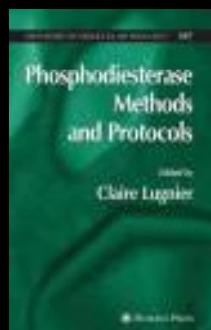
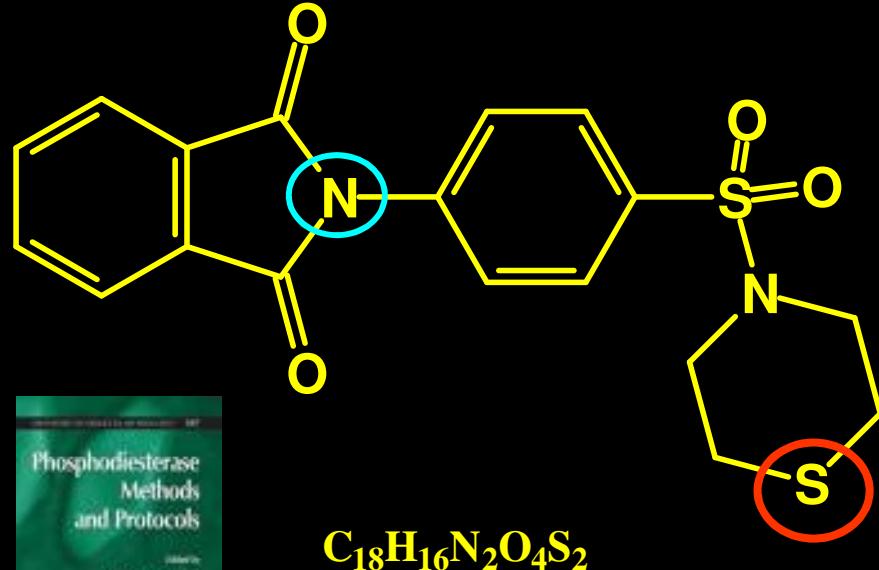


# Effect of new compounds and thalidomide on neutrophils influx, induced by LPS into BALB/c of mice lungs (10 mg/kg, DMSO; i.p.)

*in vivo*



Results are expressed as means SEM of seven animals.



LASSBio 468

TNF- $\alpha$  ED<sub>50</sub> 2,5 mg/Kg

lead compound

PDE-4 inhibitor

Dr Claire Lugnier (CAPES-COFECUB; LASSBio-Strasbourg)  
Université Louis Pasteur, Strasbourg, FR.  
Laboratoire de Pharmacologie et de Physicochimie des Interactions  
Cellulaires et Moléculaires.

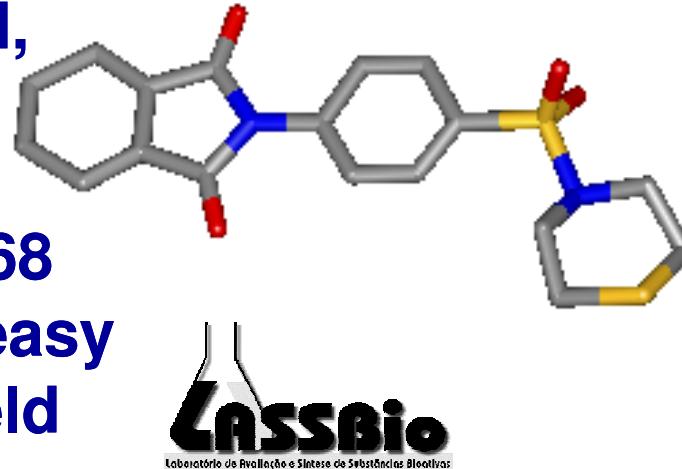
IC<sub>50</sub> = 13,5  $\mu$ M

cf. PDE-1, 2, 3, > 150  $\mu$ M;

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- a) L. M. Lima *et al.*, “Synthesis and Anti-inflammatory Activity of Phthalimide Derivatives, Designed as New Thalidomide Analogues”, *Bioorg. Med. Chem.* 2002, 10, 3067;
  - b) M. S. Alexandre-Moreira *et al.*, “LASSBio-468: a New achiral Thalidomide Analogue which Modulates TNF- $\alpha$  and NO Production and Inhibit Endotoxic Shock and Arthritis in Animal Model”, *International Immunopharmacology* 2005, 5, 485.

## A new symbiotic anti-inflammatory agent

LASSBio-468 is a new dual-target anti-inflammatory lead-compound, active at TNF- $\alpha$  production and with inhibitory activity on PDE-4, as originally planned. LASSBio-468 is structurally simple derivative, easy to synthesized at good overall yield and 0.5 M scale. This new achiral compound presents immunomodulatory activity without anti-proliferative effect, in contrast to THLD. LASSBio-468 is an useful lead-compound to treatment of chronicle inflammatory disorders as rheumatoid arthritis and shock septic syndrome.



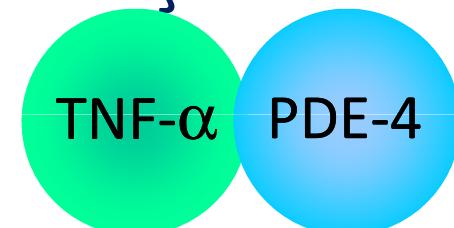
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A. L. Machado *et al.*, “Design, Synthesis and anti-inflammatory activity of novel phthalimide derivatives, structurally related to thalidomide”, *Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett.* 2005, **15**, 1169



# The discovery of new dual lead-compounds

LASSBio-468

Desenhado por  
hibridação molecular

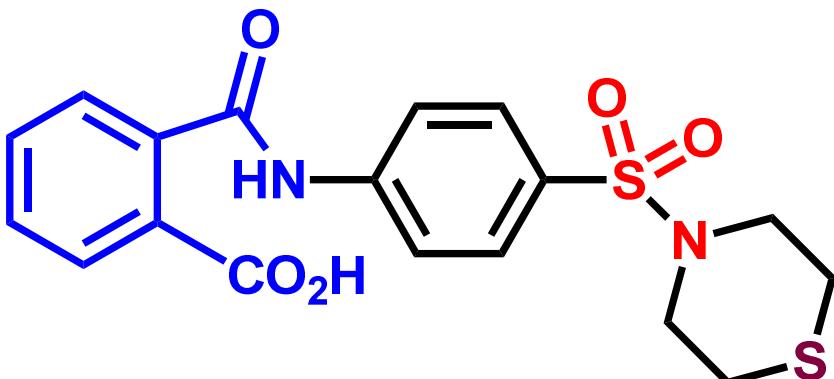


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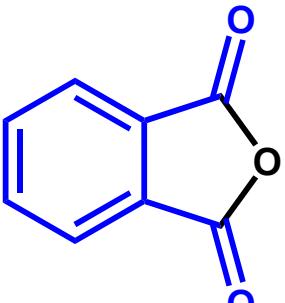
PDE-4 IC<sub>50</sub> = 13,6  $\mu$ M

Metabolism  
studies

LASSBio-596

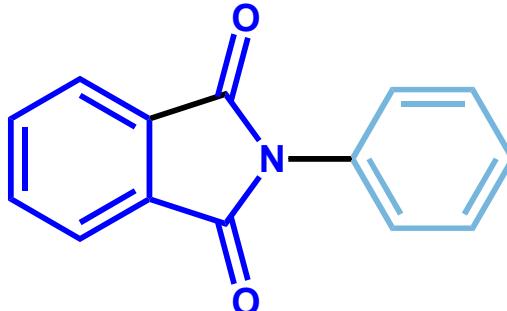


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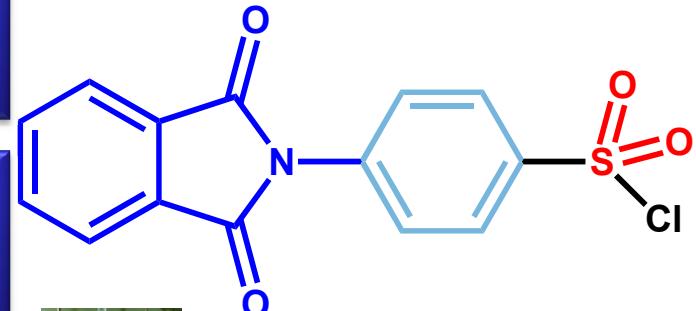


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(2M)



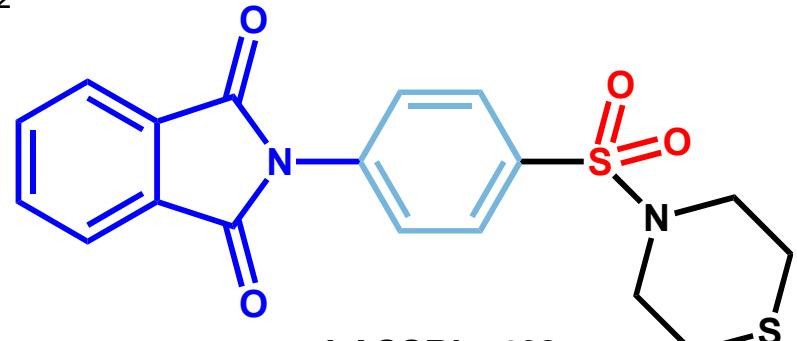
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$C_{14}H_8ClNO_4S$



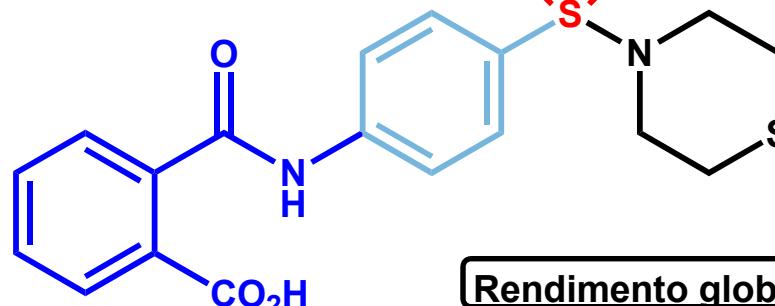
$HN$   
cyclohexylmethylamine  
 $NEt_3$   
 $CH_2Cl_2$   
1h  
0,4M



LASSBio-468

$C_{18}H_{16}N_2O_4S_2$

KOH / HOH  
 $CH_3OH$   
1h  
0,35M



Rendimento global: 29%

LASSBio-596  
 $C_{18}H_{18}N_2O_5S_2$



$^{13}C$ ,  $^1H$  RMN / IV / UV / EM  
HPLC  
calorimetria diferencial  
de varredura (DSC)  
CHN  
Difração de Raios-X



### LASSBio-596: da descoberta aos ensaios pré-clínicos

Rocco, Patricia R. M.;<sup>a</sup> Xisto, Debora G.;<sup>a</sup> Silva, J. D.;<sup>a</sup> Diniz, Magareth F. F. M.;<sup>b</sup> Almeida, Reinaldo N.;<sup>b</sup> Luciano, Melissa N.;<sup>b</sup> Medeiros, Isac A.;<sup>b</sup> Cavalcanti, Bruno C.;<sup>c</sup> Ferreira, José R. O.;<sup>c</sup> de Moraes, Manoel O.;<sup>c</sup> Costa-Lotufo, Letícia V.;<sup>c</sup> Pessoa, Claudia do Ó;<sup>c</sup> Dalla-Costa, T.;<sup>d,\*</sup> Cattani, Vitória B.;<sup>d</sup> Barreiro, Eliezer J.<sup>e</sup>, Lima, Lidia M.<sup>e</sup>

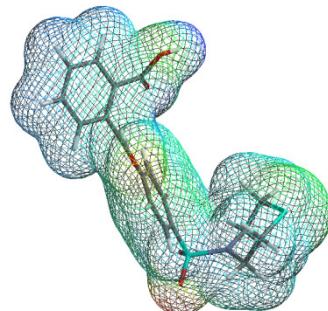
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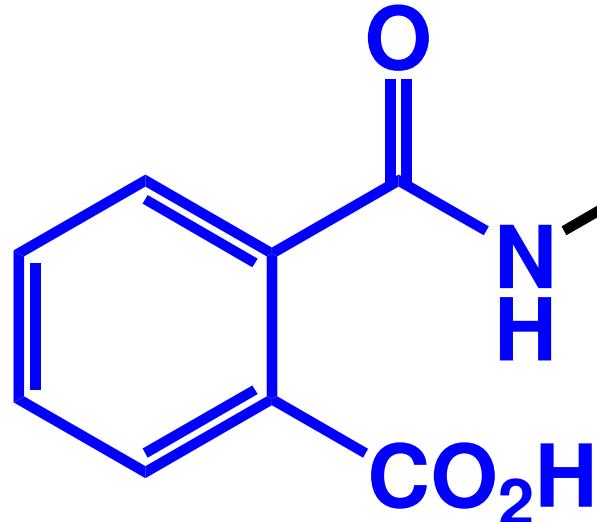
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#### Resumo

Neste artigo é revisado a trajetória que vai da descoberta de um novo candidato a fármaco antiasmático, o ácido 2-[4-(1,4-tiazinan-4-il sulfonil)fenilcarbamoil]benzoico (LASSBio-596), à realização dos primeiros ensaios pré-clínicos, com enfoque nos efeitos de LASSBio-596 em modelo murino de asma aguda e crônica, estudos farmacocinéticos e toxicológicos em roedores e determinação do seu potencial genotóxico e mutagênico.

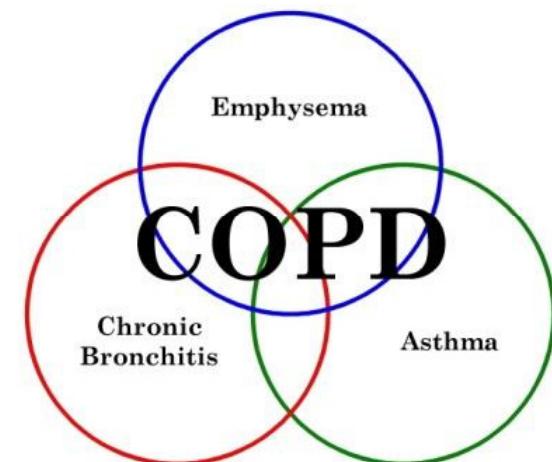
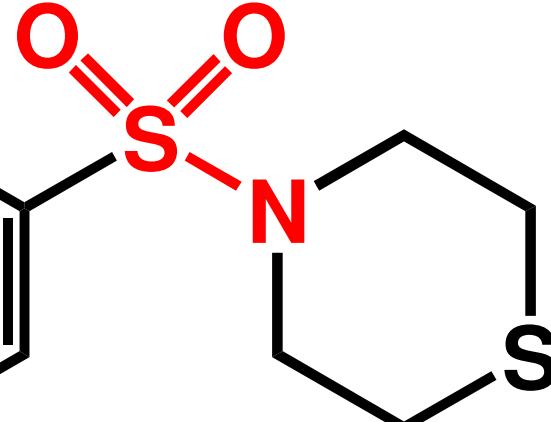
LASSBio-596





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## LASSBio-596 Scale-up



anti-fibrogenic



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## A missão do INCT-INOFAR

- Organizar as competências científicas nacionais em uma rede efetiva de pesquisa em fármacos;
- Apoiar projetos de pesquisa científica multi-institutionais voltados para novos fármacos;
- Contribuir para a inovação incremental e radical em novos fármacos e genéricos;
- Estudar e desenvolver a síntese total de genéricos, intermediários avançados e matérias-primas;
- Contribuir para a formação científica qualificada de pessoal em química medicinal & farmacologia;
- Promover a divulgação das ciências dos fármacos e dos medicamentos, assim como seu uso racional e seguro;

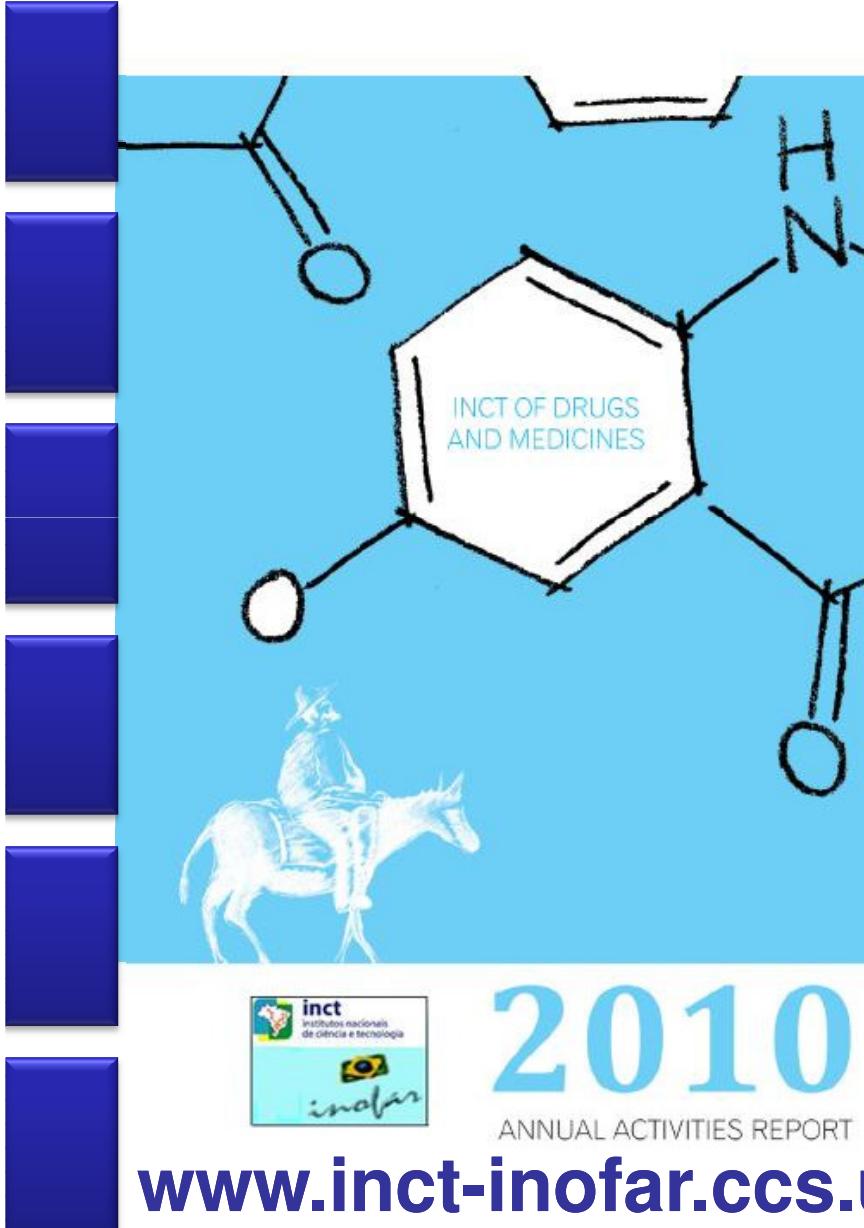


# Annual Activities Report

Interdisciplinar & multi-team  
research projects

- **Radical innovation**  
pain, inflammation,  
asthma, CNS,  
neglected diseases,  
cardiovascular system,  
anticancer
- **Incremental innovation**  
SUS (BR healthcare)  
new generic drugs

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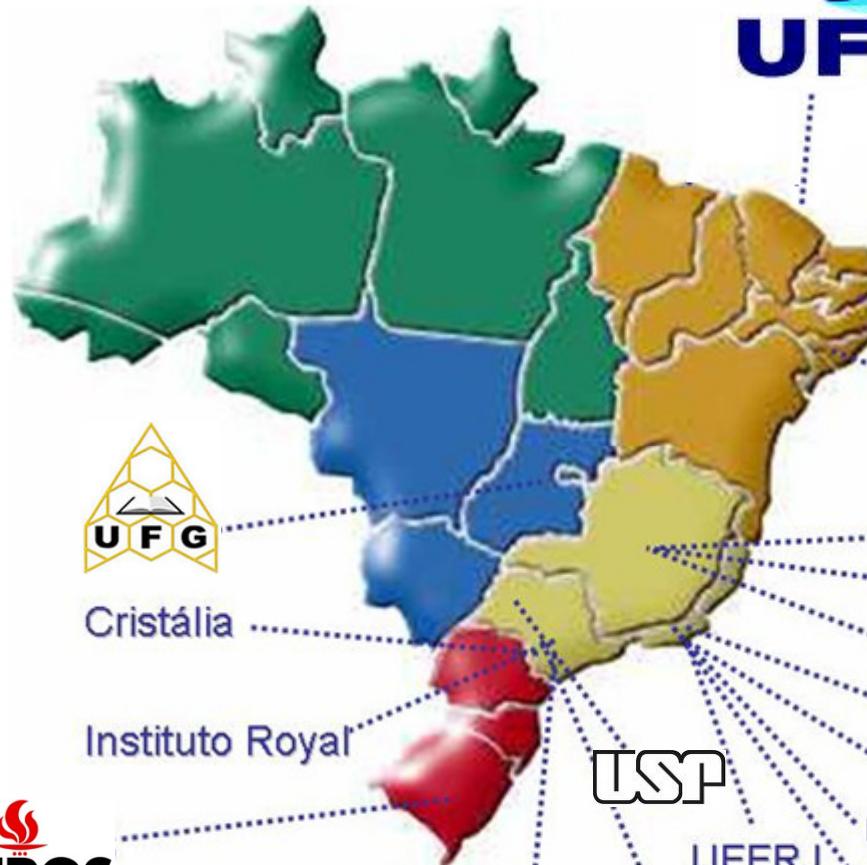


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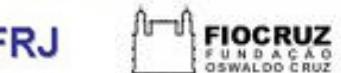
## Research partners



In Vitro Cells

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# Atorvastatina

## Incremental Innovation



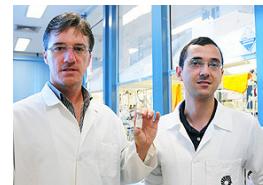
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- Sintetizada, em 1985, por Bruce Roth  
[B. D. Roth, "The discovery and development of atorvastatin, a potent novel hypolipidemic agent",  
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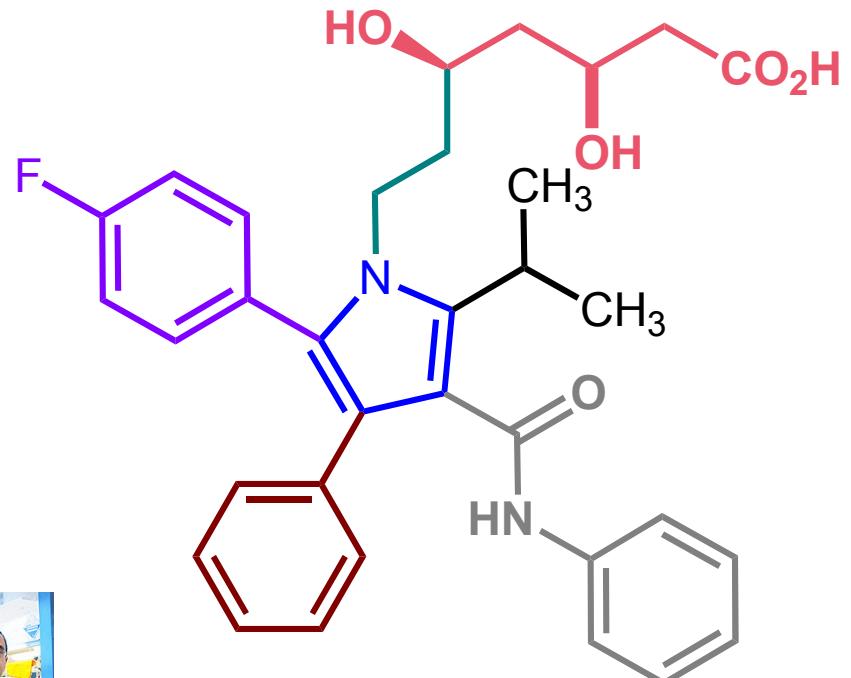
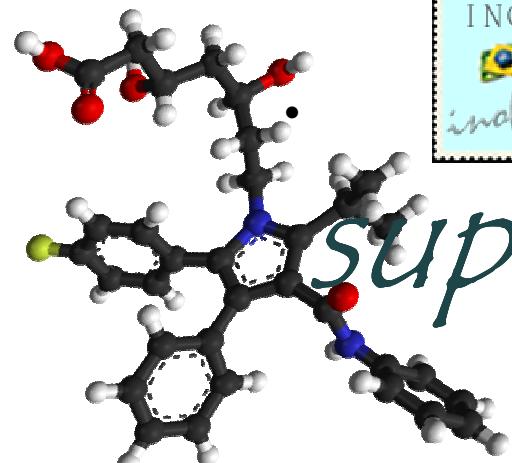
Patente US 5273995 Pfizer (1991):

**12 etapas = 4,2%**

- Nova síntese Prof. **Luiz Carlos Dias** &  
Dr **Adriano S Vieira**, IQ-UNICAMP,  
em 2010, pelo **INCT-INO FAR**:



O professor Luiz Carlos Dias e o pós-doutorando Adriano Siqueira Vieira: nova rota é mais barata e eficiente



**11 etapas = 19,3%**

*super blockbuster-drug*

LC Dias, A S Vieira, EJ Barreiro, Processo de obtenção  
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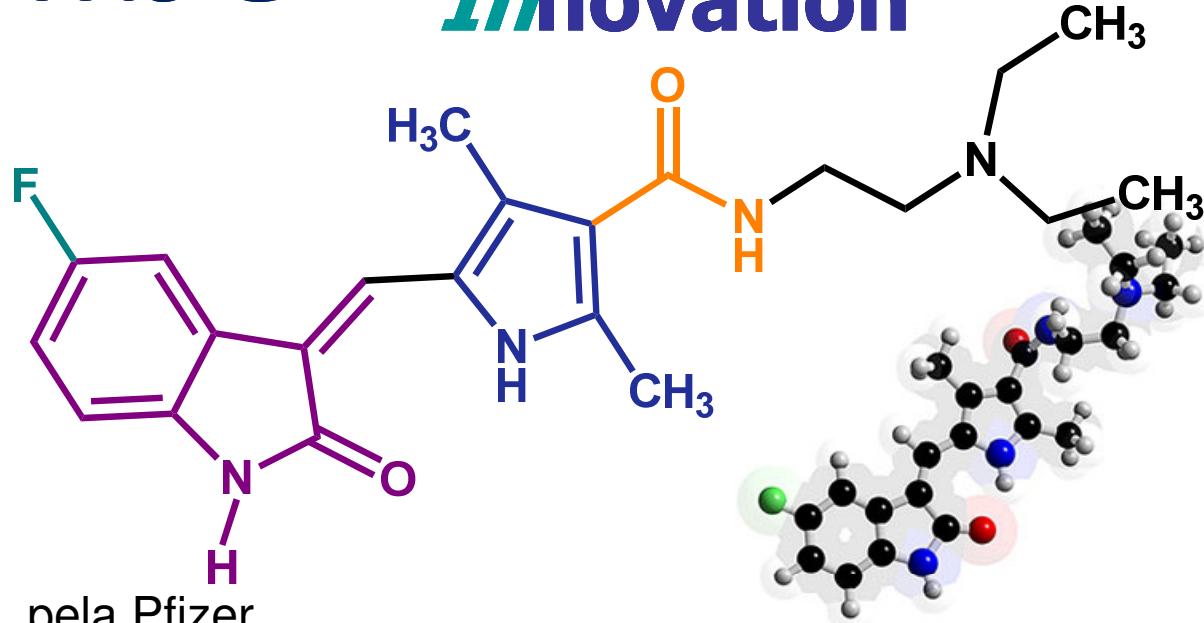
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## Incremental Innovation



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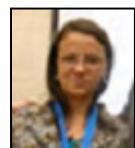
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- Sintetizado, em 1999, pela Pfizer
- Patente de 2001 (US)
- Inibidor BCR-ABL Tyr-quinase
- Indicado para Ca-estômago/rim
- Nova síntese Prof. Angelo da Cunha Pinto & Dr Bárbara Vasconcellos da Silva, IQ-UFRJ, em 2011, pelo INCT-INO FAR



50 mg / 28 caps ca. R\$ 20.837,90



Vendas de tinibes no mercado

norte-americano:  
US\$ 18,5 bi (2009)

Importações  
ca. US\$ 3 milhões/ano



# O “Caminho das Índias” dos nossos fármacos (genéricos!)



Precisamos resolver, com urgência, a grave situação

de dependência das importações de fármacos,

invertendo o sentido do *atual Caminho das Índias...*

Inovação incremental

Biolab Sanus Farmacêutica Ltda

Cristália Produtos Químicos Farmacêuticos Ltda

EMS - Sigma Pharma

Eurofarma Laboratórios Ltda

Genom Farmacêutica Ltda

Laboratórios BIOSINTÉTICA

Laboratório Neo Química Indústria Farmacêutica Ltda

Laboratório Teuto Brasileiro

LIBBS Farmacêutica

Medley S/A Indústria Farmacêutica

Mantecorp

Zambon Laboratórios Farmacêuticos Ltda





# A equipe do INCT-INO FAR



Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, março 2011

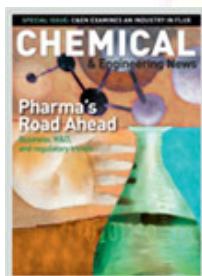
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# Considerações Finais

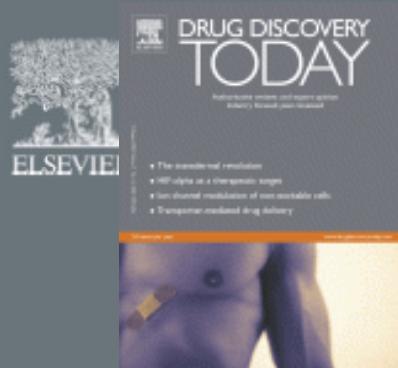


*“For all the efforts to industrialize and automate discovery, history suggests drug discovery is art as well as science and relies heavily on the skill of experienced drug hunters...”*



Charles H. Reynolds

J&J Pharmaceutical Research and Development, Spring House, Pa  
em *Pharma's Road Ahead*, C&EN, Volume 84, Issue 25, June 19, 2006



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# Drug discovery: new models for industry–academic partnerships

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The re-focusing of pharmaceutical industry research away from early discovery activities is stimulating the development of novel models of drug discovery, notably involving academia as a 'front end'. In this article the authors explore the drivers of change, the role of new entrants (universities with specialised core facilities) and novel partnership models. If they are to be sustainable and deliver, these new models must be flexible and properly funded by industry or public funding, rewarding all partners for

MR Barnes *et al.*, Lowering industry firewalls: pre-competitive informatics initiatives in drug discovery, *Nature Rev. Drug Discov.* **2009**, *8*, 701; PG Wyatt, The emerging academic drug-discovery sector. *Future Med. Chem.* **2009**, *1*, 1013; R Kneller, The importance of new companies for drug discovery: origins of a decade of new drugs. *Nature Rev. Drug Discov.* **2010**, *9*, 867; AJ Stevens *et al.*, The role of public-sector research in the discovery of drugs and vaccines. *N. Engl. J. Med.* **2011**, *364*, 535.



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# Obrigado

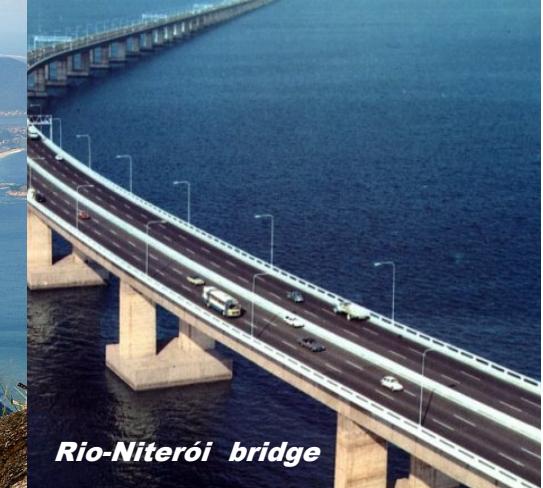




*Corcovado uma das sete novas maravilhas do mundo*



*Sugar Loaf*



*Rio-Niterói bridge*



*Copacabana Beach*



*Copacabana beach view from Sugar Loaf*



*Sunset at Arpoador Beach*



*Maracanã stadium*



*Botanic garden*