

Multi-target drug design (MTDD)

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S u m m a r y

- Non-transmissible Multifactorial Chronical Diseases (NTMCD's);
- Rational Multi-target Drug Design (RMTDD);
- LASSBio-UFRJ/BR & MTDD candidates:
 - New anti-inflammatory dual drug candidates;
- Concluding remarks;
- Acknowledgments.

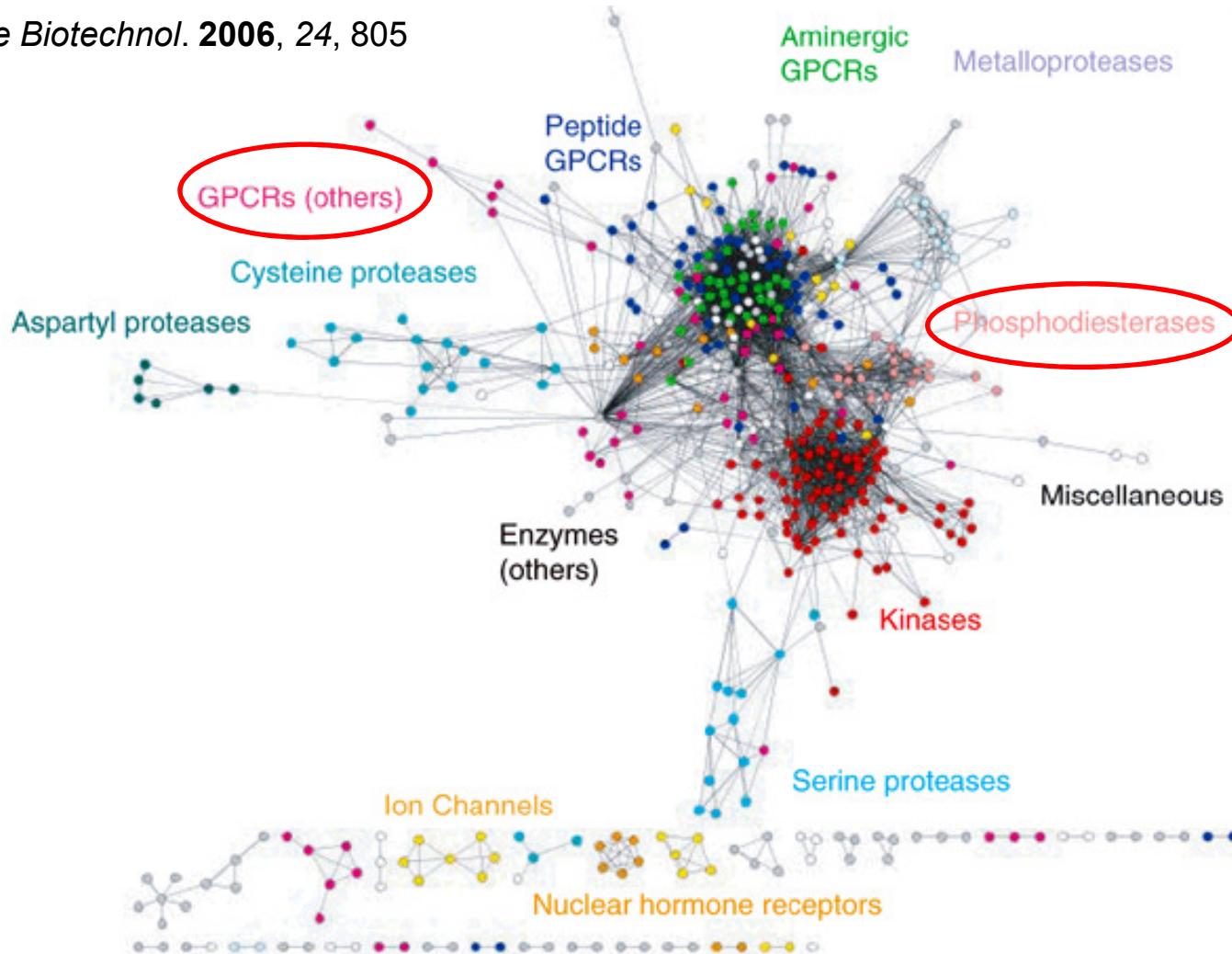
Several medical problems, including not transmissible chronic diseases, do not have a single cause, they are likely associated to multiple factors, and are multifactorial diseases.



Global mapping of pharmacological space

Gaia V Paolini^{1,3,7}, Richard H B Shapland^{1,4,5}, Willem P van Hoorn^{2,3}, Jonathan S Mason^{3,6} & Andrew L Hopkins^{1,3,7}

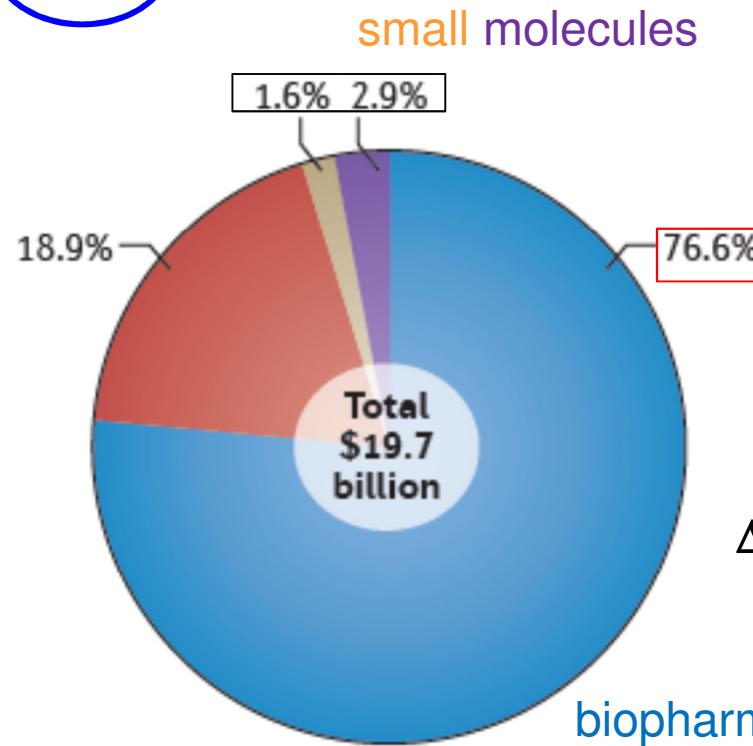
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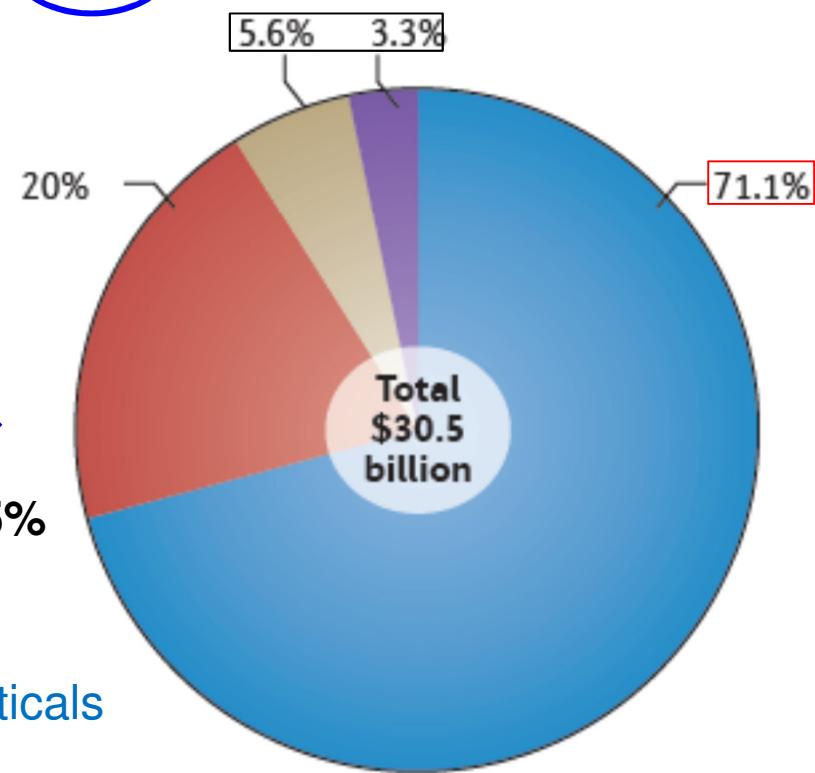
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Global sales of drugs to rheumatoid arthritis (\$ US) (2014 & 2019)

a 2014



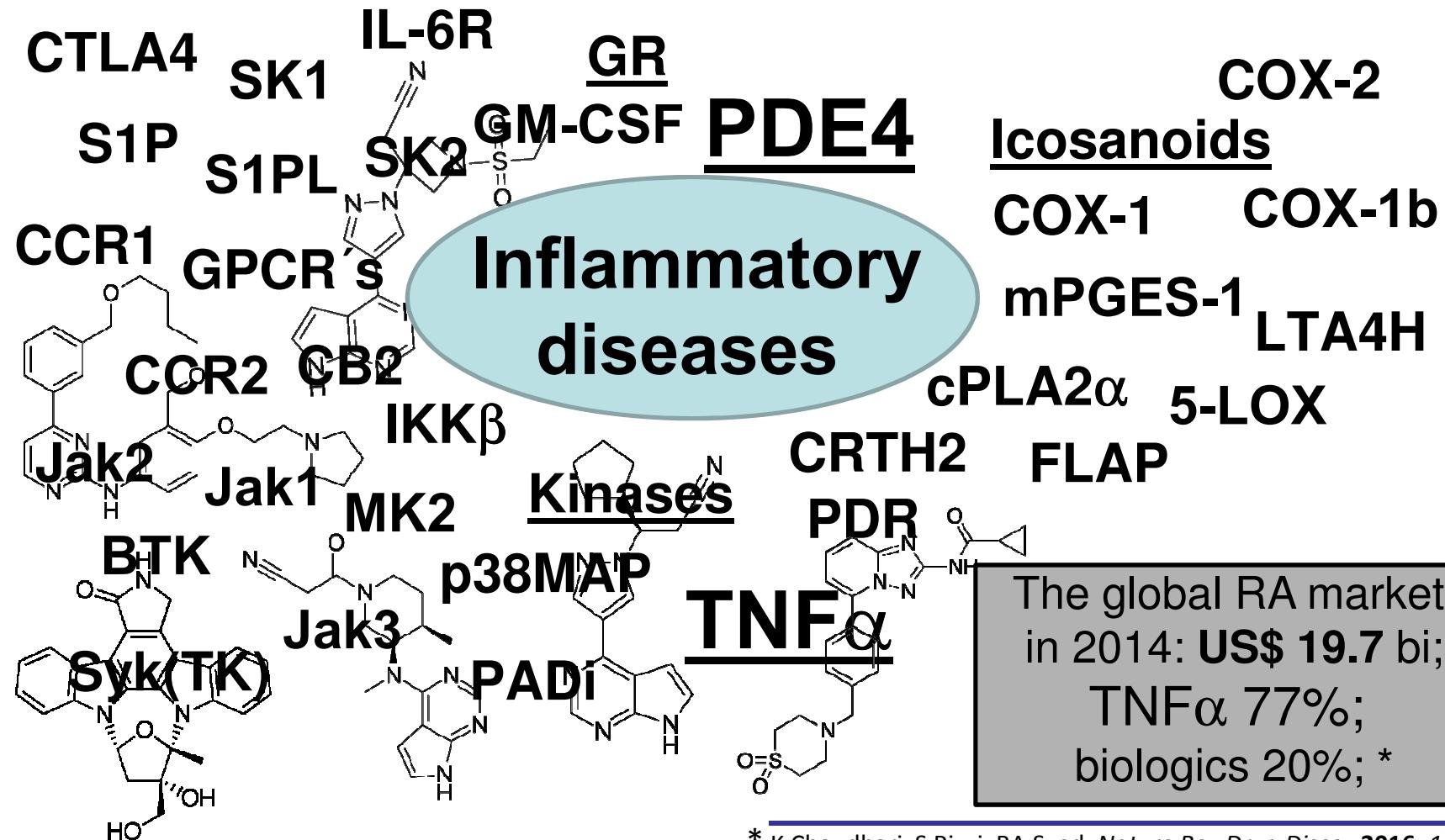
b 2019



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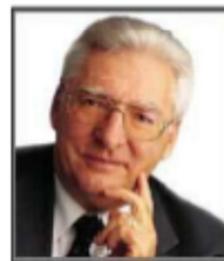
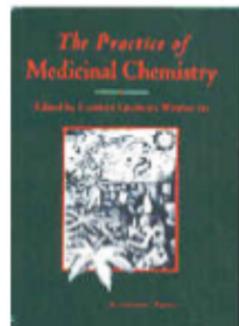
■ TNF inhibitors ■ Other biologics ■ JAK inhibitors ■ Traditional DMARDs and others

Inflammation = Non-transmissible Multifactorial Chronical Diseases



* K Chaudhari, S Rizvi, BA Syed, *Nature Rev Drug Discov* 2016, 15, 305

“... *the preparation of dual- or multiple-ligands on an almost rational basis is now conceivable and it can be expected that many of these molecules will yield drugs of superior clinical value compared with monotarget formulations.”*



Camille G. Wermuth

Drug Discov. Today 2004, **9**, 826

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

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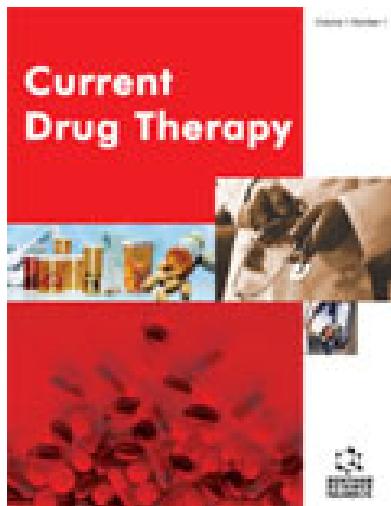


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Abstract: Some physiopathological processes involved in the genesis of diseases could suggest the necessity of designing bioligands or prototypes that aggregate, in only one molecule, dual pharmacodynamical properties, becoming able to be recognized by two elected bioreceptors. This approach can have distinct aspects and, when a novel ligand or a prototype acts in two elected targets belonging to the same biochemical pathway, *e.g.* arachidonic acid cascade, it receives the denomination of dual or mix agent. On the other hand, if these two targets belong to distinct biochemical routes and both are related to the same disease, we can characterize the agents able to modulate it as symbiotic ligands or prototypes. In the present work, we provide some examples and applications of the molecular hybridization concept for the structural design of new symbiotic ligands and prototypes, especially those applied in the treatment of chronic-degenerative disorders.

Key Words: Symbiotic drugs; molecular hybridization; multifactorial diseases; therapeutic innovation; drug design; dual compounds.



Could be effective a single target drug in the treatment of multifactorial diseases?

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**therapeutic
innovation**



**Dual
Inhibitors**

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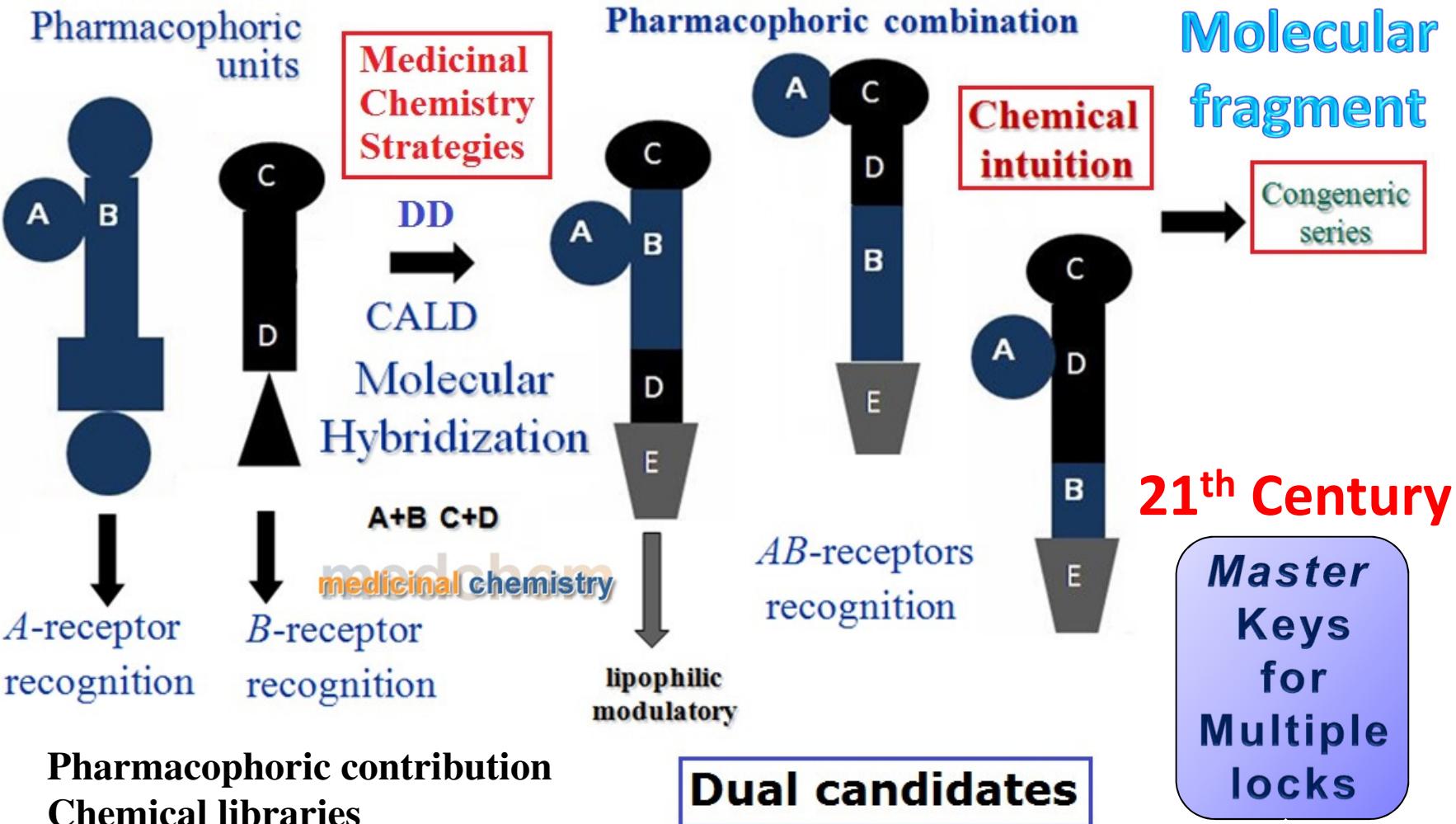
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The rational-based MTD design



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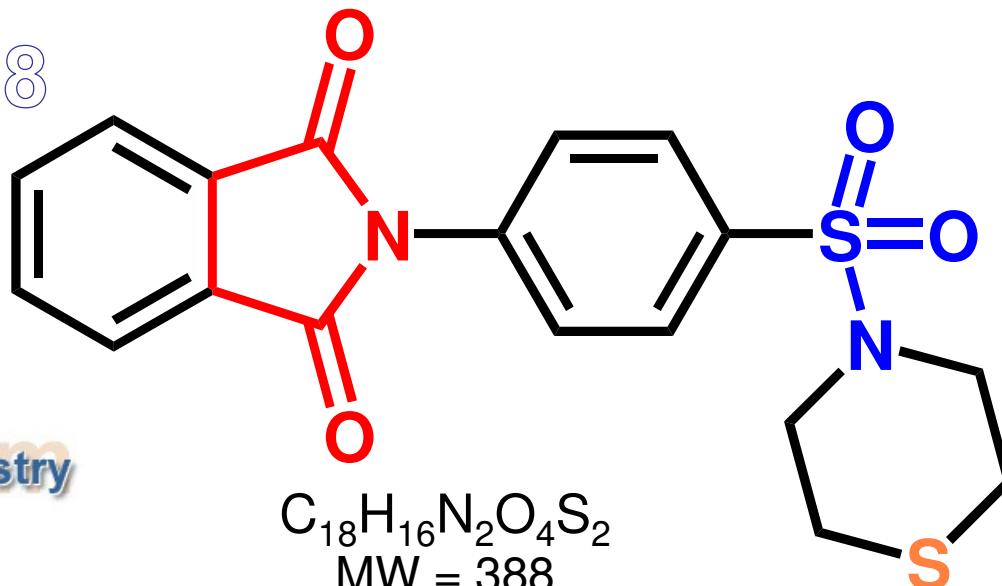
New achiral dual anti-inflammatory drug candidate.

A new TNF- α modulator & PDE-4 inhibitor

LASSBio-468

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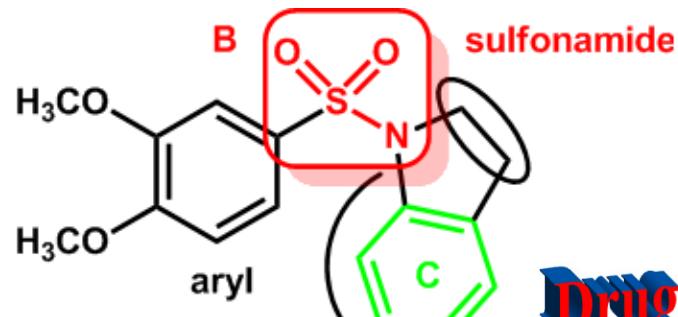


$C_{18}H_{16}N_2O_4S_2$
MW = 388

cLog P = 2,3
MR = 100 [cm³/mol]

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The molecular design of the *new* agent



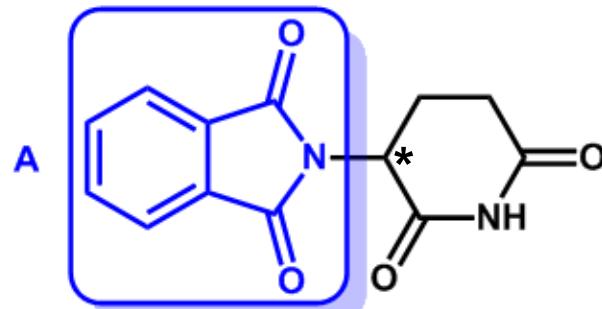
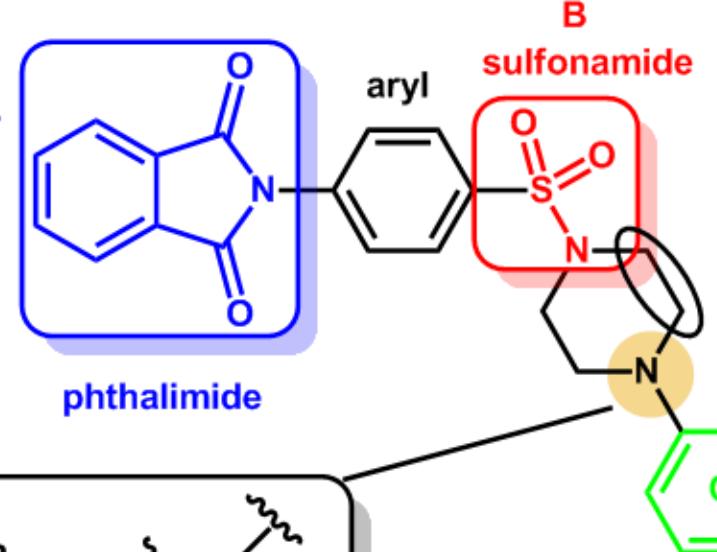
Montana *et al.*, 1998

Drug Design

anti-TNF α activity & PDE-4i

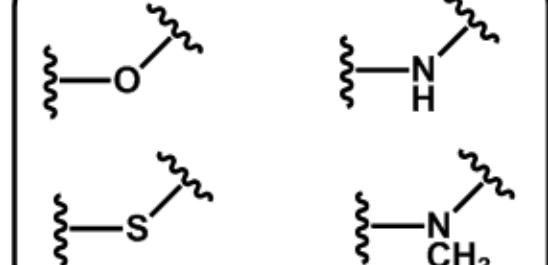


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Thalidomide (1957)

isosteres



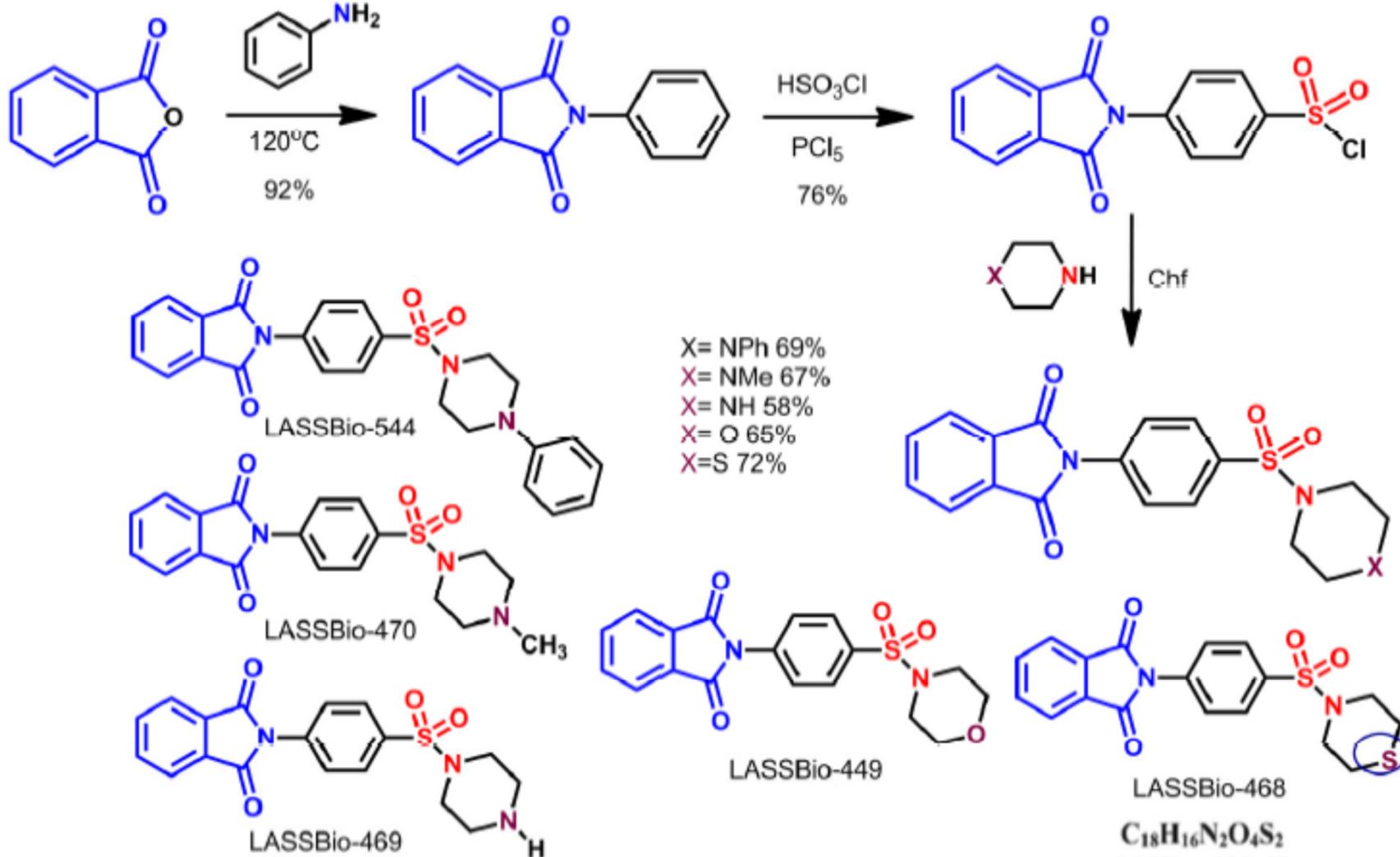
Molecular diversity

σ, π, RM



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Synthesis of LASSBio-468 & isosteres



Overall yield: ca. 20%
(~ 0.5 M, 200 g)

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



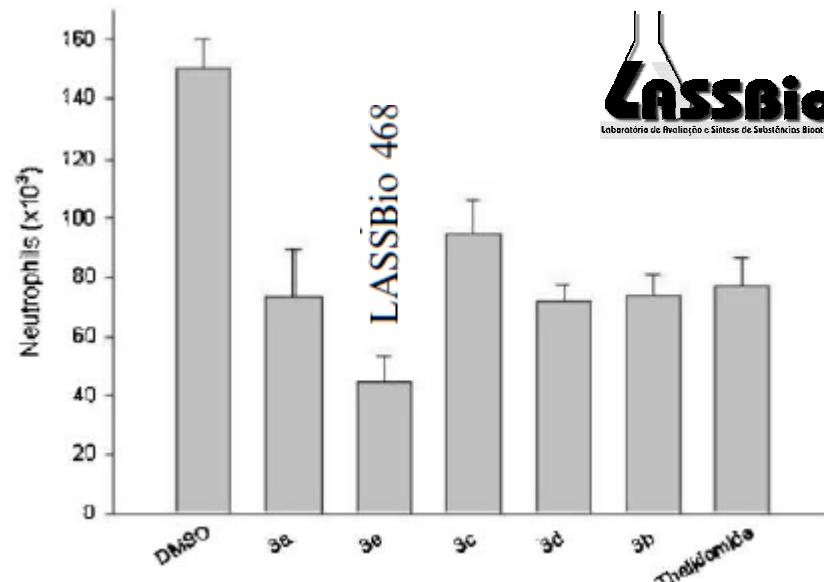


Figure 1. Effect of compounds 3a–e and thalidomide on neutrophil influx induced by LPS into BALF of mice lungs.

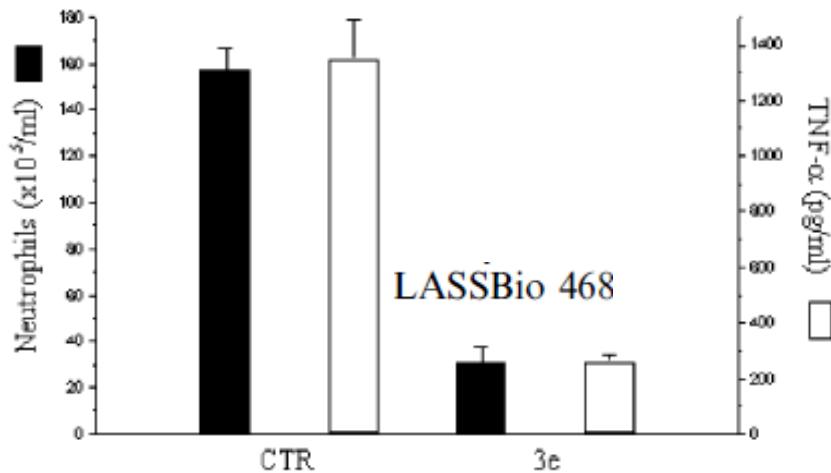
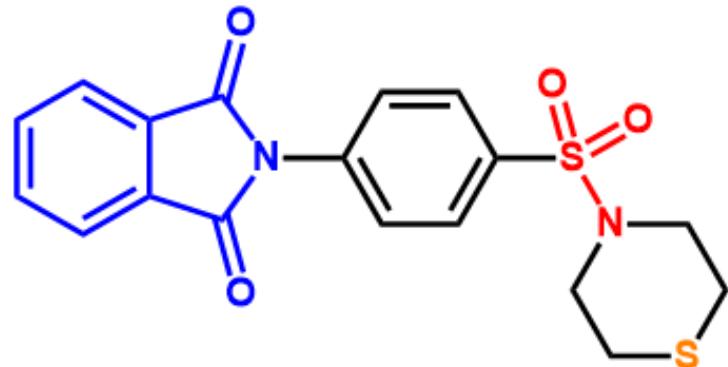


Figure 2. Effect of compound 3e (LASSBio 468) on TNF- α levels and neutrophil influx into the BALF of mice lungs.



LASSBio-468

TNF- α ED₅₀ = 2.5 mg/Kg

PDE-4 IC₅₀ = 29.4 μ M



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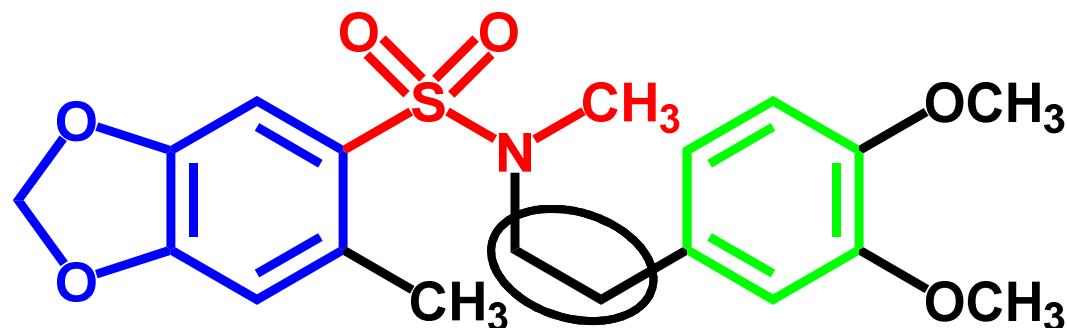


Synthesis and anti-inflammatory activity of phthalimide derivatives, designed as new thalidomide analogues

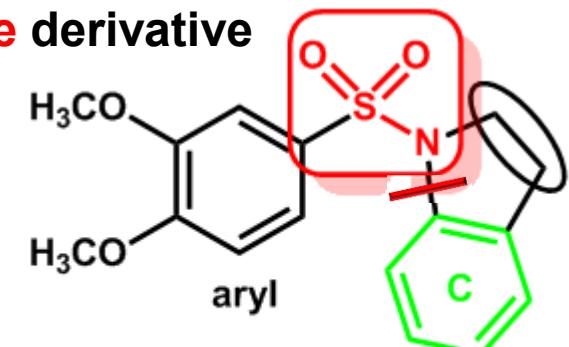
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PDE-4/TNF- α

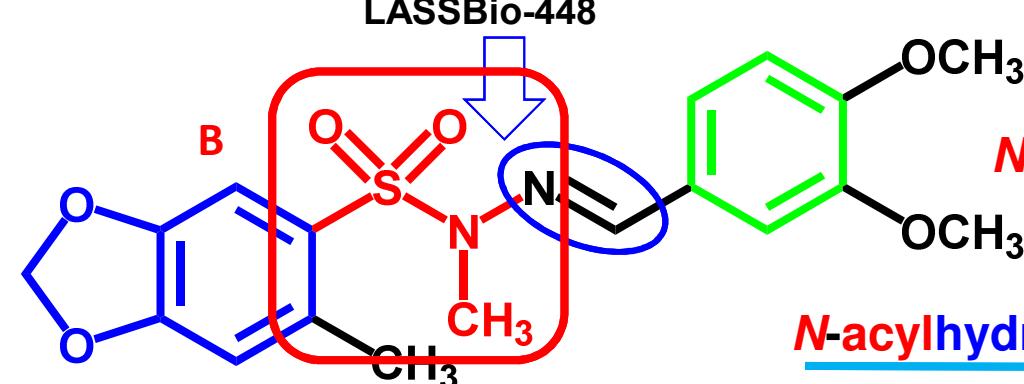
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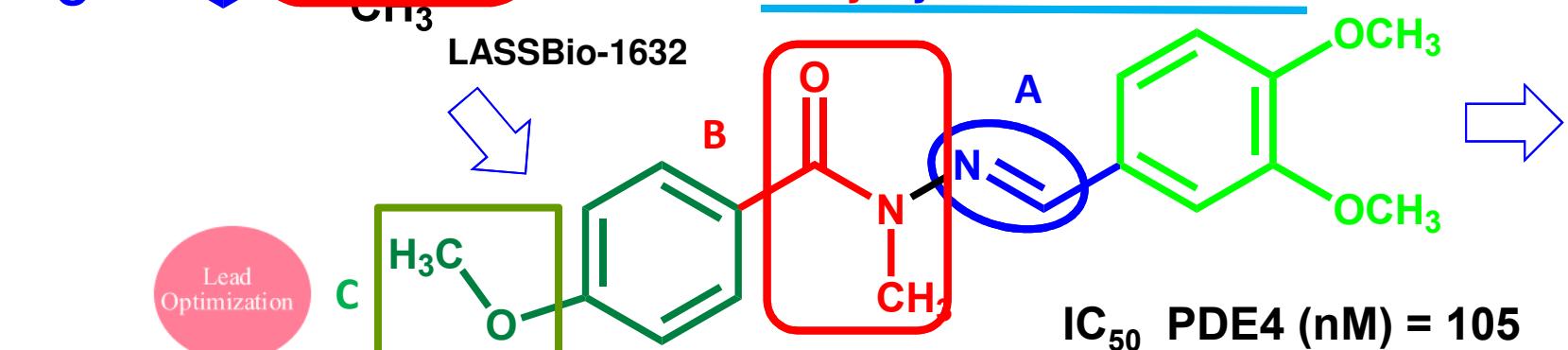


"The medicinal chemist dream molecule"



N-sulfonylhydrazone derivative

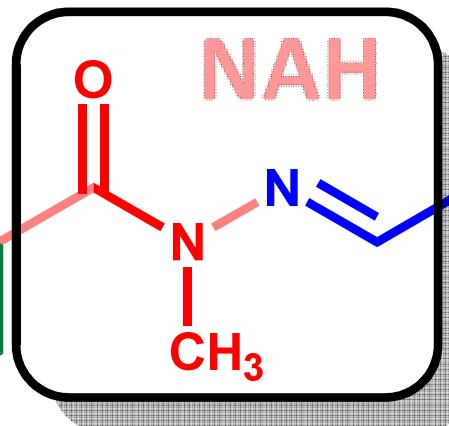
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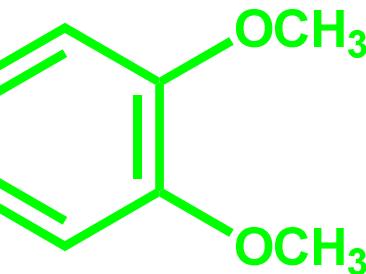
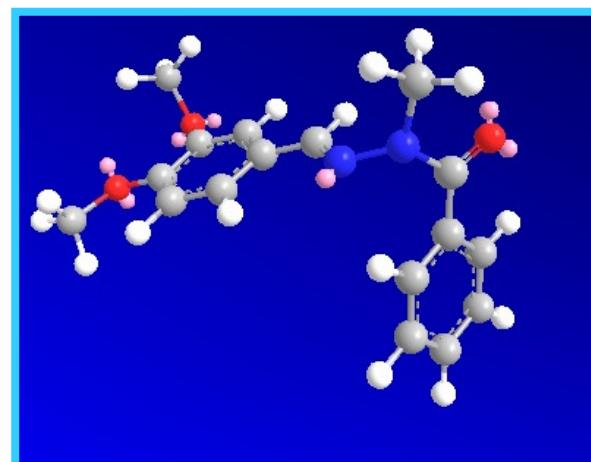
A new dual lead-compound

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Lead Optimization



LASSBio-1349



EC₅₀ TNF- α (μ M) = 0.52

IC₅₀ PDE4B (nM) = 47.0

IC₅₀ PDE4A (nM) = 64

IC₅₀ PDE4C (nM) = 206

IC₅₀ PDE4D (nM) = 31

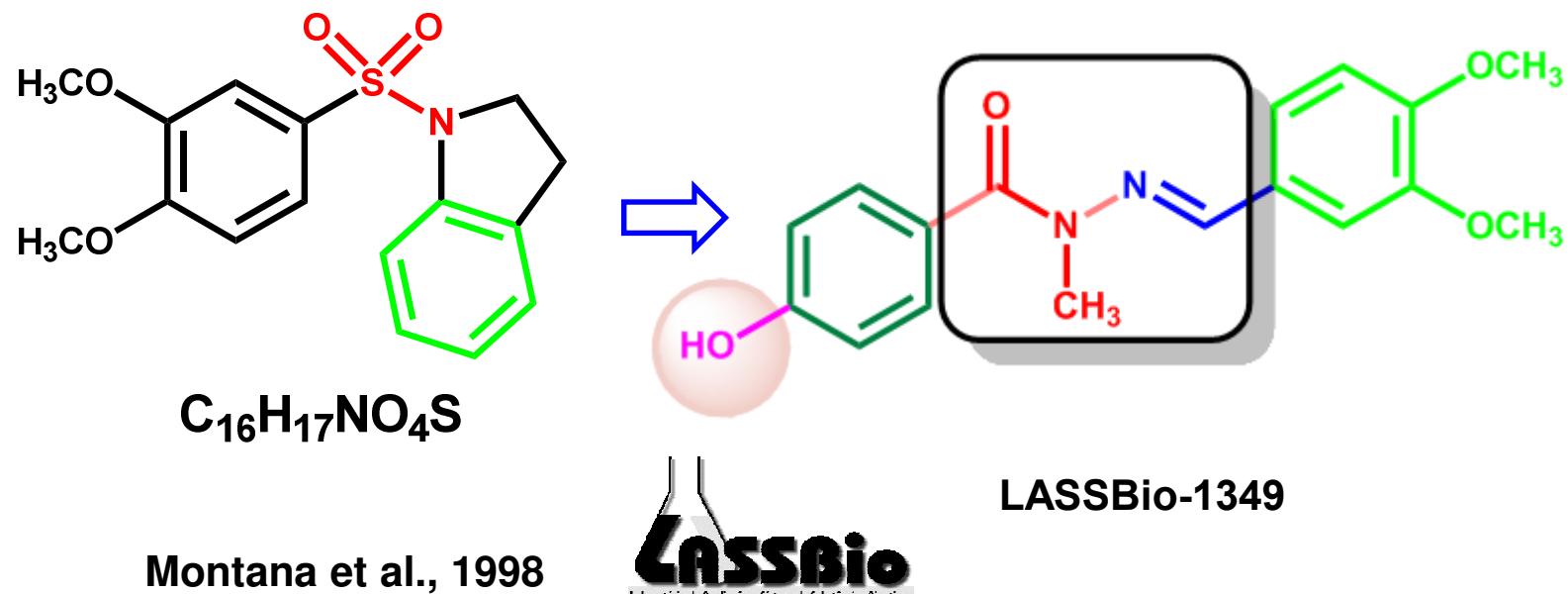
SI PDEX / PDE4 (X=1, 2, 3, 5, 6) = 182

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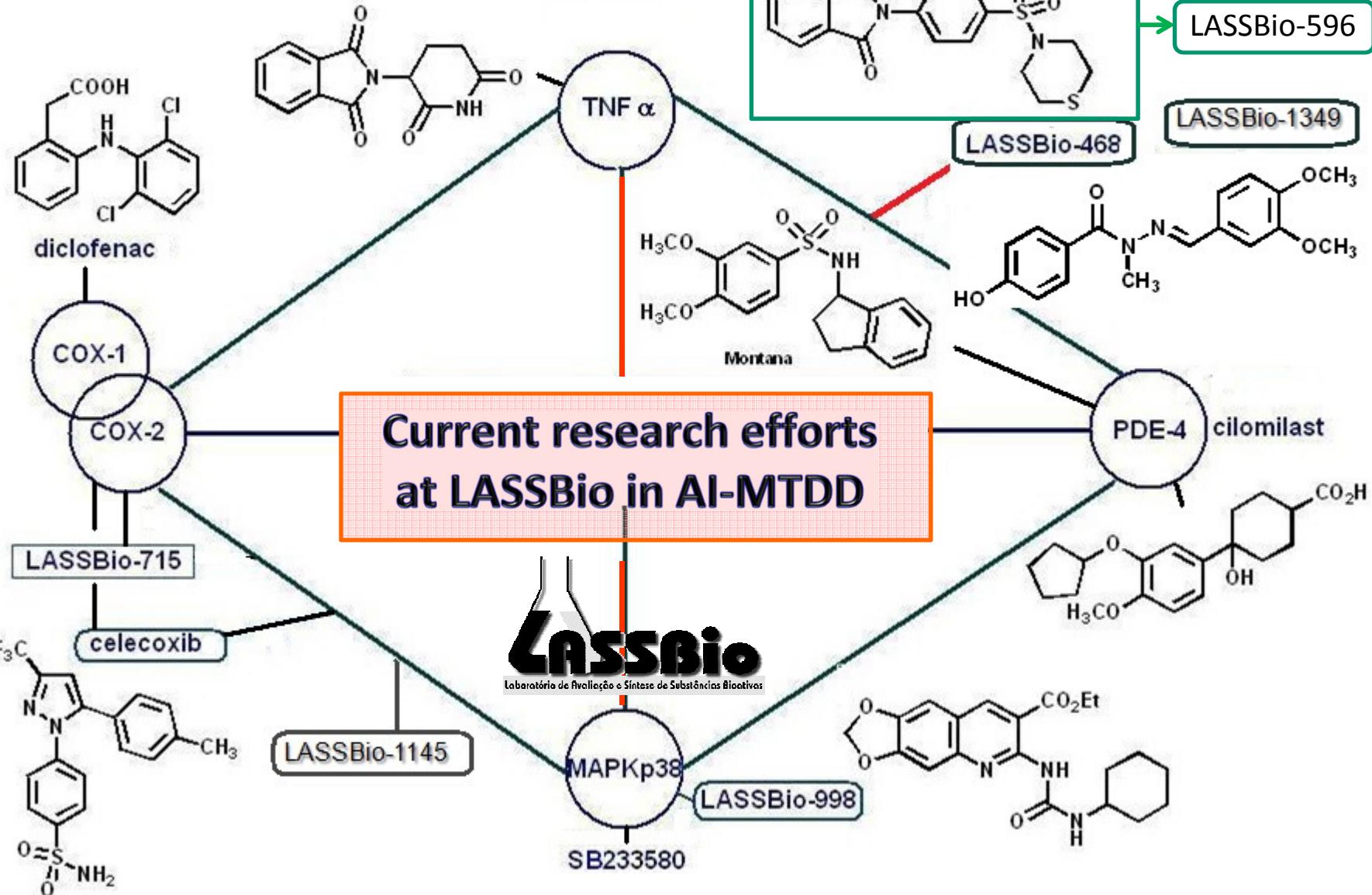
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From the “*medicinal chemist dream molecule*” to a new multi-target anti-inflammatory drug candidate



Concluding remarks



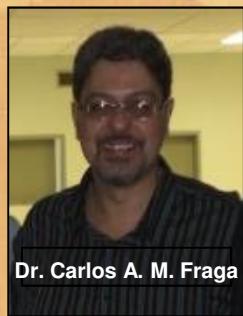


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