Rewiring Chemistry: Algorithmic Discovery and Experimental Validation of One-Pot Reactions in the Network of Organic Chemistry

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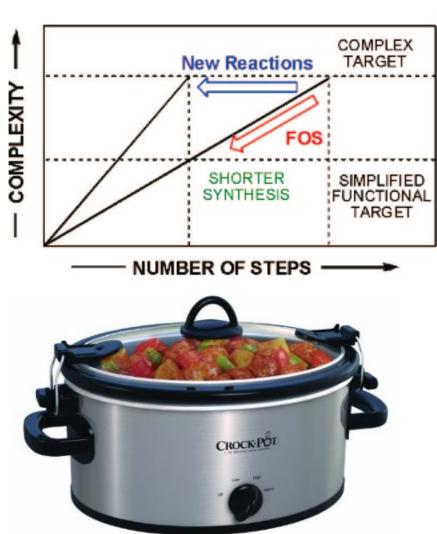
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Chemistry of the future

- Atom Economy
- Step Economy
- Redox Economy
- Eintopf Reactions
 - One-pot synthesis
- Man vs. Machine



The PASE ideology

- Pot, Atom, and Step Economy
 - Reduce amount of solvents used in workup, purification, cleaning, contamination.
 - Idea to create greener chemistry to reduce environmental impact and cost.
- Annual Cost of Goods for production of pharmaceuticals \$200 billion⁽²⁰⁰⁸⁾
- NIH annual budget ~31 billion

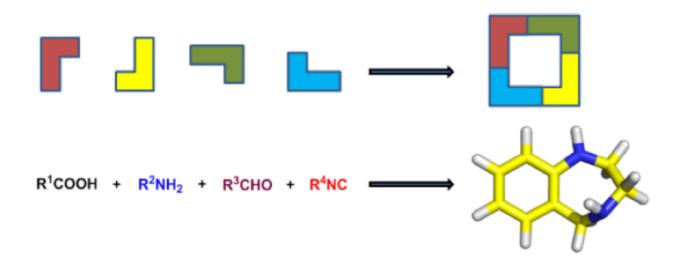
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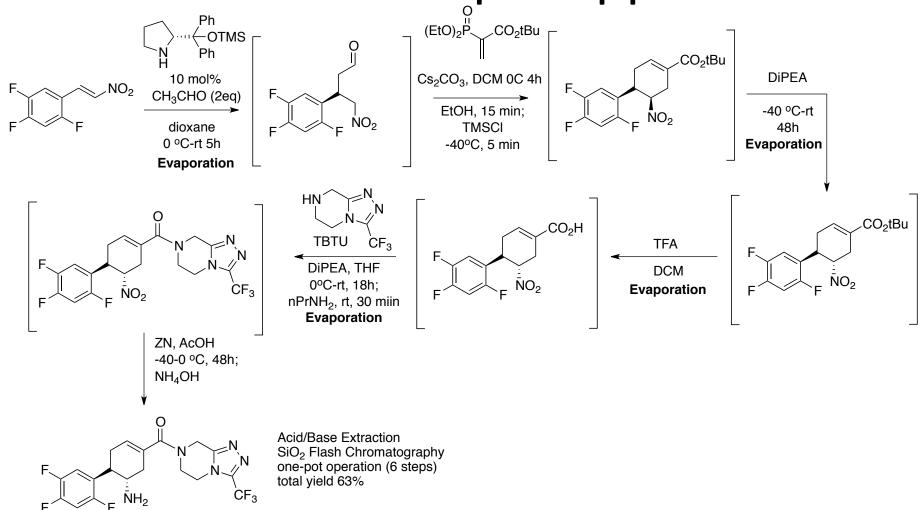
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MCR as a "one-pot" synthesis

- Multi Component Reactions (MCR) have been around for over 140 years and can be used to readily access complex molecules from a series of simple precursors.
- Have been used extensively in drug discovery
- Products can also act as building blocks for further synthetic modifications.



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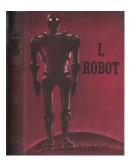
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Chematica

- Chemical Network
 - Seven million compounds linked by numerous chemical reactions
 - 86,000 chemical constraints
- Based on the Beilstein Database (BD) now known as Reaxys ca. 2009

Goals

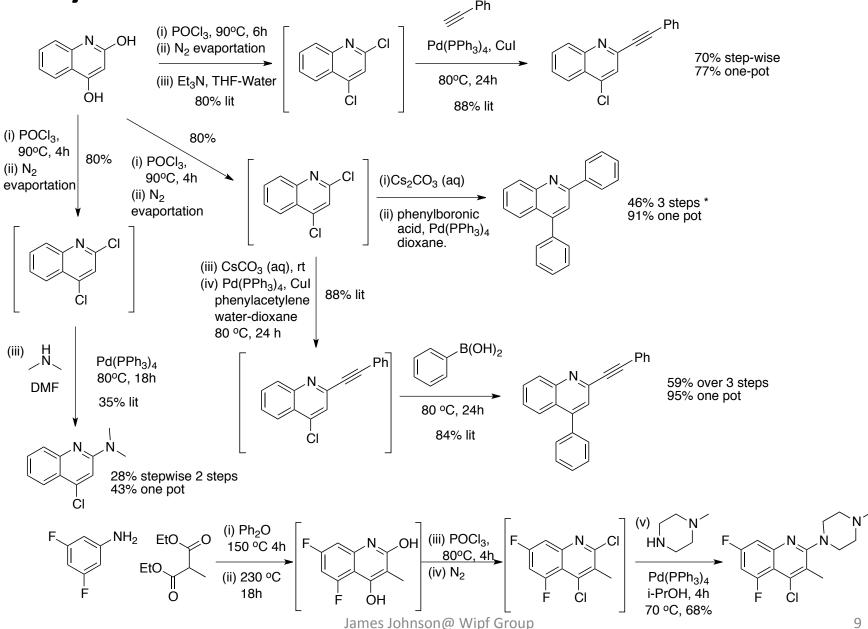
 the algorithm on a par with the detailed synthetic knowledge of experienced organic chemists (including stereoselective syntheses

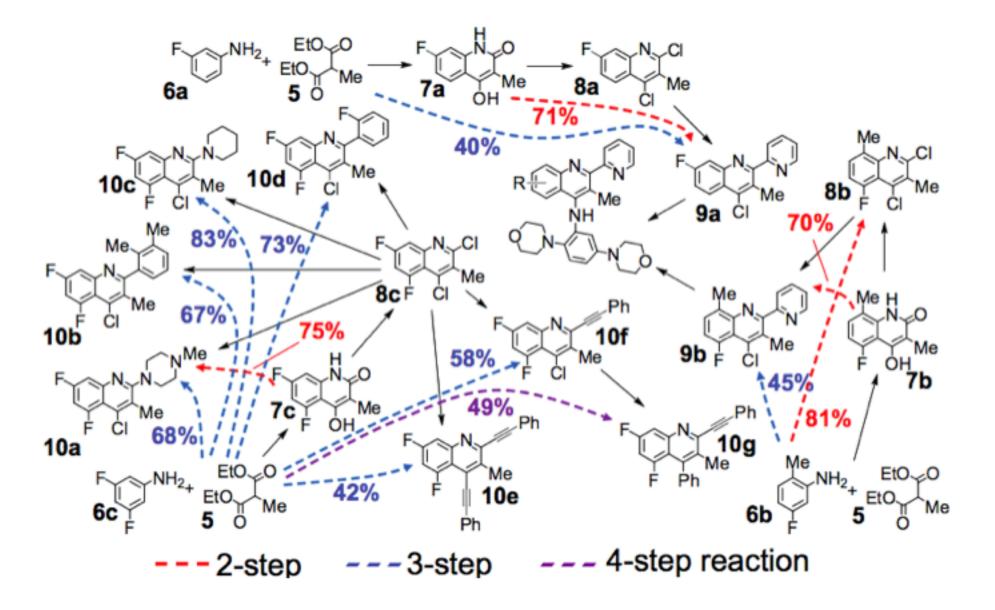


iChemist: The Five Laws

- (1) If at least one reagent used in a reaction step is water sensitive, all other reactions in the sequence have to be performed in water-free environment.
- (2) If the reagent(s) used in one reaction step is oxidizing, no reducing reagents can be used concurrently in order to avoid redox reaction between reagents.
- (3) If the reagents used in any given reaction step are acidic, basic reagents cannot be concurrently present in order to avoid acid-base reaction between them.
- (4) If the reagents used in one reaction step contains hydride source, reagents containing proton source cannot be concurrently present.
- (5) The functional groups in the reagents must be compatible between reaction steps.

Synthesis of Quinoline derivatives





Thiophene derivatives

Two one-pot reactions to Ezetimibe

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Problems with the program

Parallel optimization of synthesis and cost

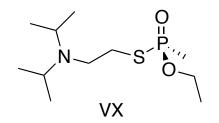
- Cost analysis for optimization
 - Algorithm starts with the target and works backwards to the reactants. Then in a recursive manner the algorithm returns results for each level of reactants and products.
 - This process is based on a cost benefit analysis of the reactants (commercially available vs synthetically available)
- Compounds that are chemically similar will benefit from collective optimization.

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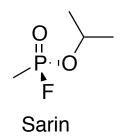
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Chemical Warfare

- Large scope of reactions available to produce a large number of compounds
- Some compounds have been used in chemical warfare and through the use of this program can teach a layperson how to produce them.
- Identifying through reactants screening which precursors are the right ones to regulate.

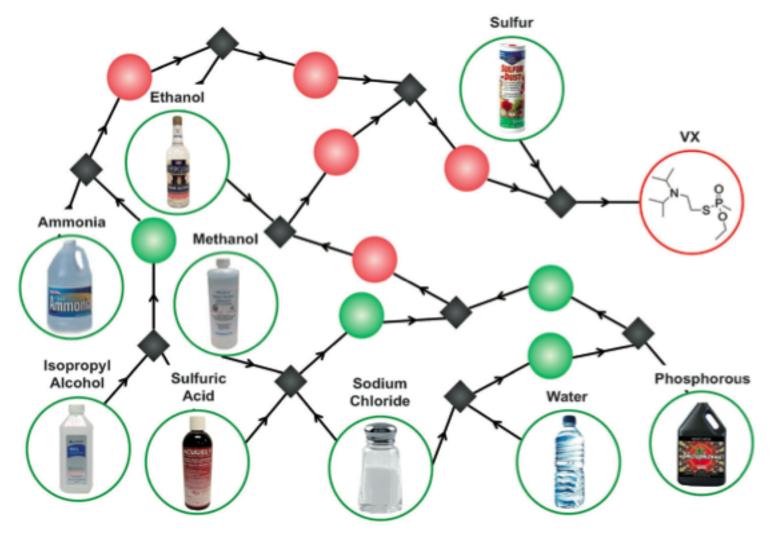


Nerve Agents



- G series (1930s)
 - Named after the Germans who made them.
 - Inhibit acetylcholine esterase
 - Suicide binder
- V series (1960s)
 - Originally discovered in attempts to make better insecticides.
 - VX LD₅₀ 10mg through skin contact
 - Cholinesterase inhibitor

Synthesis of VX



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Conclusions

- Algorithm cannot recognize all possible incompatibilities of reactants
- Algorithm built off existing chemistry and is not discovering new chemistry
- By making this chemistry available to everyone are we threatened by what they can and will make.