

# Bondmaking: Then and Now

-The first preparation of an organic substance (1828)...

AgOCN + NH<sub>4</sub>Cl 
$$H_2$$
O  $H_2$ N  $H_2$ N

"I must tell you that I can make urea without the use of kidneys" F. Wöhler (1828)

... is still tactically and strategically in use today.

Where is chemical synthesis going, and where can it take us?



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Friedrich Wöhler Ordinary Professor of Chemistry University of Göttingen, 1836 - 1882

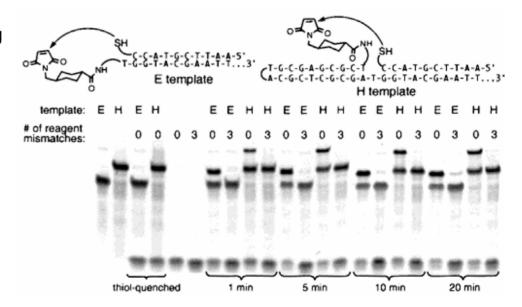
I. Into The Genome: DNA-Templated Discovery

# DNA-Templated Synthesis: Fundamental Reactions and Regimes

- -Pairing of complimentary DNA oligonucleotides: "substrate (template)" and "reagent"
- -Pair in either in end-on mode (E) or hairpin mode (H)

Reaction Conditions: pH 7.5, 25 °C, 250 mM NaCl Templates in 1:1 stoichiometry at **60 nM** 

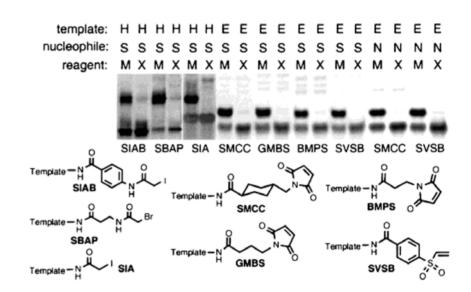
- -Designed "mismatches" in base pairing fail to undergo reaction.
- -Reactions rates were similar between H and E architectures ( $K \cong 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$ )

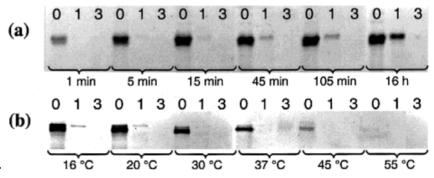


# DNA Templated Synthesis: Functional Group Compatibility

- -H or E Template
- -Thiol (S) or amine (N) nucleophile
- -Matched (M) or mismatched (X) pairing

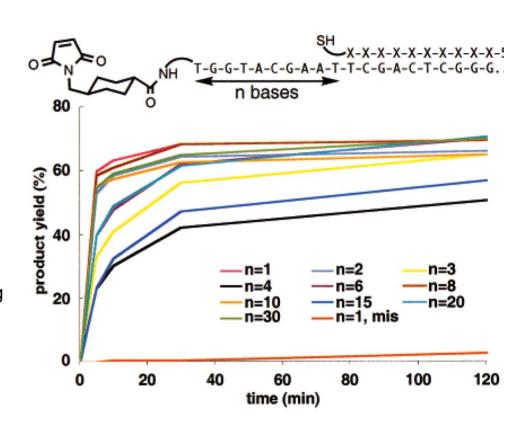
- $-S_N 2$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ -additions, and vinyl sulfone addition compatible with technology.
- -Matched cases only proceeded to products effeciently, despite large differences in transition states, steric hindrance and conformational flexibility.
- -Reactions with a single mismatch were 200 fold slower and could be eliminated by heating reaction above the estimated melting temperature.





# **DNA-Templated Reactions: Distance Effects**

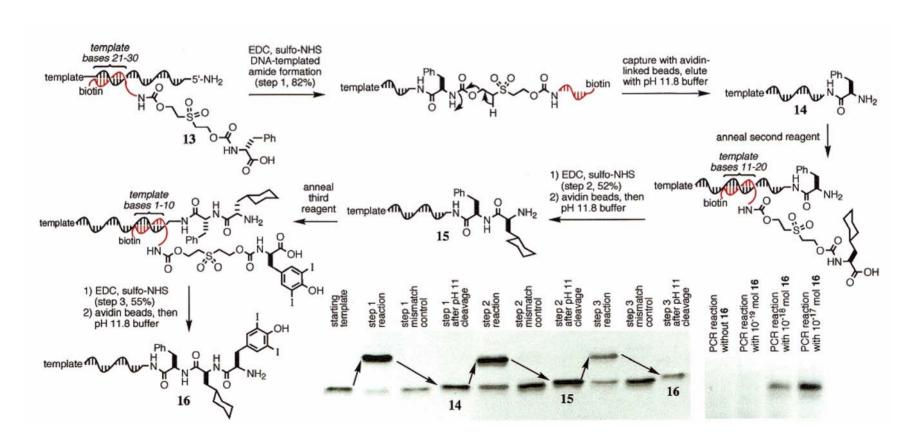
- -Distance of reacting components is not important.
- -Designed reactants with 2-30 bases between reacted  $10^4 10^5$  times faster than for untemplated reactions.
- -At a 30 base distance, product formation proceeds through a transition state resembling a 200-membered ring.



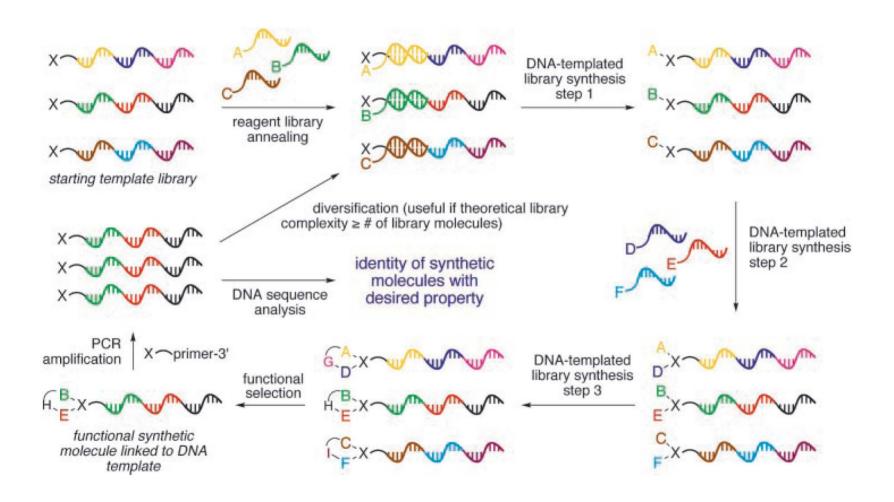
-Decreasing the concentration of the reactants dramatically slowed the reactions, indicating that DNA annealing is rate limiting.

# DNA-Templated Synthesis: "Coding" for Multistep Synthesis

- -Each "codon" on the template compliments a region on the reagent strand.
- -Excess reacted/unreacted reagent is removed by biotin/streptavidin affinity removal.
- -Each step yields between 52 and 85%.
- -As little as 10<sup>-18</sup> mol of product can be amplified by PCR (bottom right), allowing, in theory, "selection".

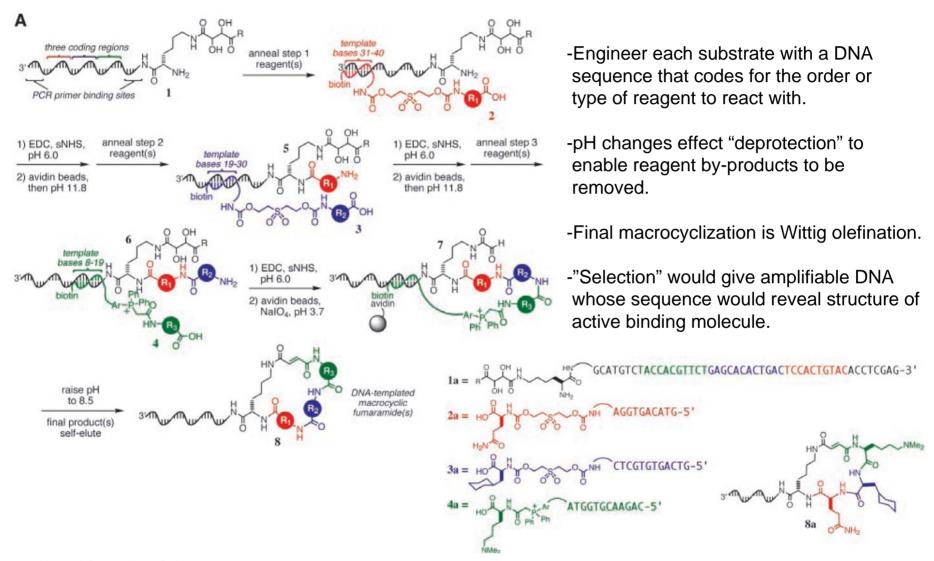


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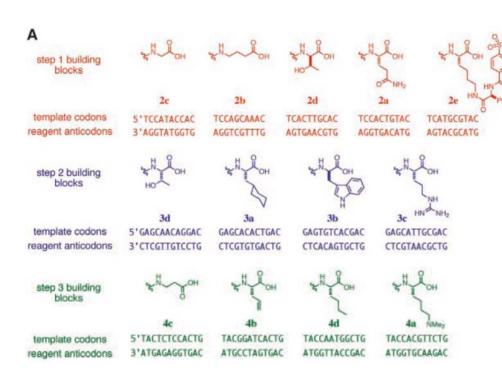


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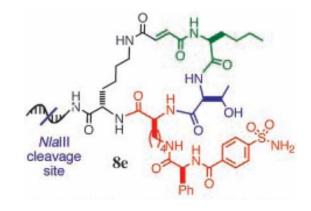


# DNA-Templated Synthesis: "Selection" By Protein Affinity



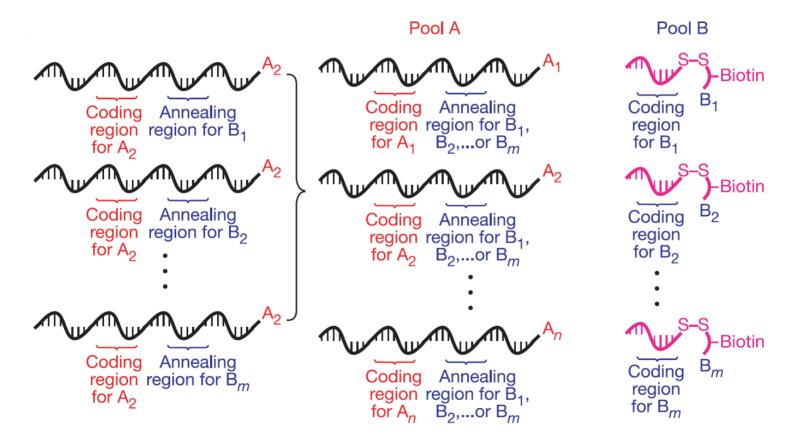
- -A 65 member library of macrocycles is is generated from the possible combinations of building blocks and reagents.
- -100 fmol of each is assayed for binding to carbonic anhydrase, a well-characterized protein.
- -Carbonic anhydrase is immobilized and incubated with the library (x2).

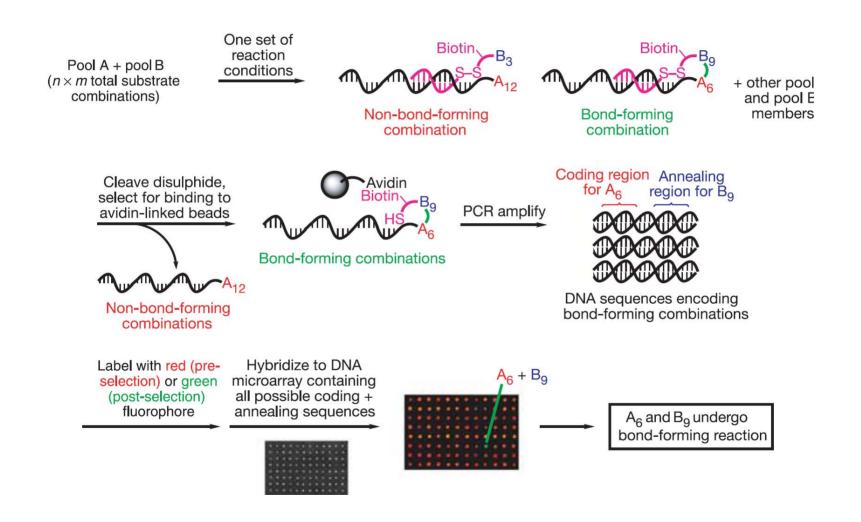
- -Following "selection", the DNA corresponding to the bound molecules is amplified and sequenced to reveal the identity of the binding molecule.
- -In this case, **8e** uniquely binds with carbonic anhydrase and was selected from a 65 member library.



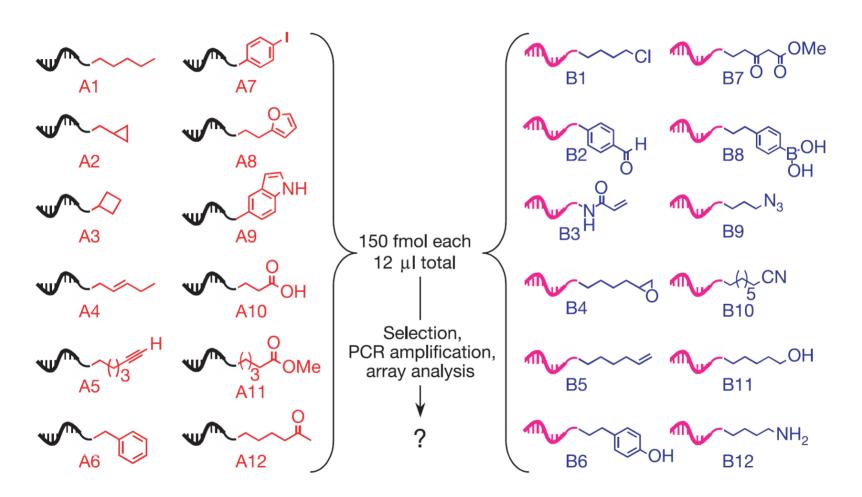
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- -DNA-templating technology can, in principle, be used for reaction discovery.
- -The ultra-small scale and amplification technologies can make the process extremely compact.

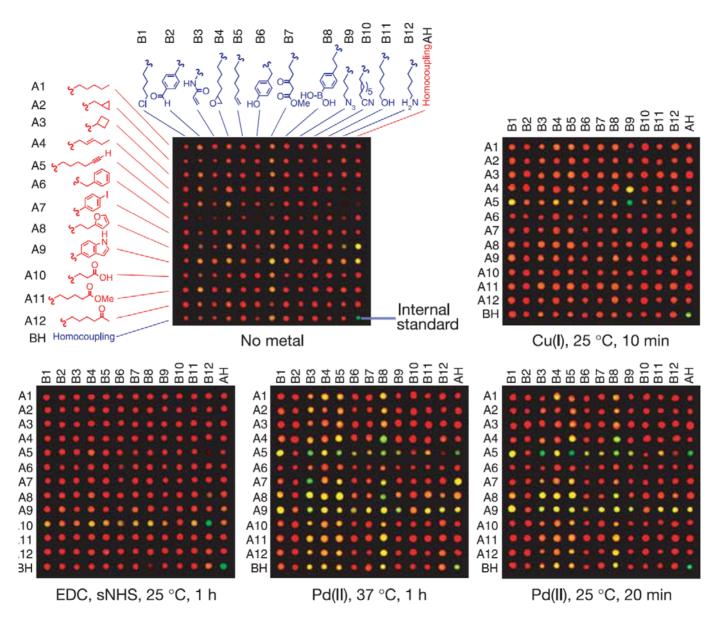




#### **DNA-Templated Reaction Discovery**

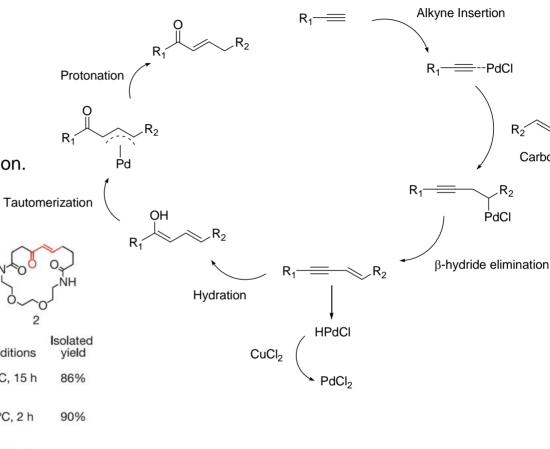


-A nanomole of substrate allows for evaluation of more than 168,000 reaction conditions.



Sub	ostrates		en/red ence ratios 25°C	DNA-ter yield 37°C	mplated s (%) 25°C	Product consistent with observed mass
A5 H	B5	2.7	3.7	35	31	$R \xrightarrow{Q} R$
A5 H	HNO B3	3.5	3.1	28	20	R~~~NHR
A5 H	HO'B	1.6	1.9	36	34	R → <b>=</b> √ <b>-</b>
A5 H	Homocoupling	2.6	2.7	45	42	$R \longrightarrow R$
A4	HO'B	3.0	2.8	57	39	R
A8	OH HO'B	1.8	<1.2	30	10	R-\OJ-\O_R
A8	B3	1.8	<1.2	19	<10	
A7	N O B3	3.6	<1.2	39	14	R-\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\

- -DNA-templated reaction proceeds well on large scale and is catalytic in Pd with the presence of an oxidant.
- -Represents a fmol conversion on DNA to a scalable, mild bond formation.



Entry	Metal(s)	Solvent	Conditions	Isolated yield
а	1 equiv. Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub>	1 M NaCl in H <sub>2</sub> O	25 °C, 15 h	86%
b	5 mol% Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> 1 equiv. CuCl <sub>2</sub>	100 mM NaCl in H <sub>2</sub> O	25 °C, 2 h	90%
С	5 mol% Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> 1 equiv. CuCl <sub>2</sub>	9:1 THF: H <sub>2</sub> O	25 °C, 4 h	91%
d	15 mol% Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> 1 atm O <sub>2</sub>	9:1 THF: H <sub>2</sub> O	25 °C, 14 h	73%
е	1 equiv. CuCl <sub>2</sub>	100 mM NaCl in H <sub>2</sub> O	25 °C, 4 h	0%

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II. Into the Genome: Engineering Polyketide Synthase

# Polyketide Biosynthesis: Signal-Driven Modular Synthesis in a Cell

-About 10,000 polyketide structures have been identified to date.

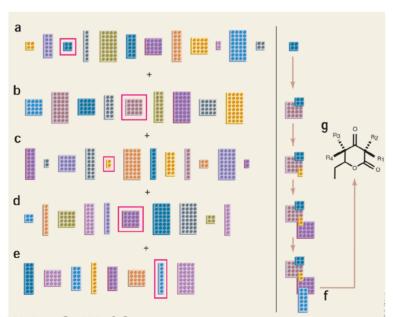
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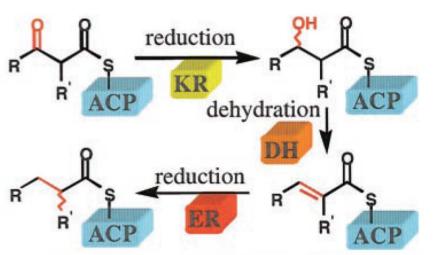
-Theoretical analysis of all variables involved in polyketide biosynthesis suggest that there are more than 1,000,000,000 possible structures.

-Aldol methodology has been extensively developed to generate polyketides, but new bondmaking regimes are defining the edge of this field.

#### Polyketide Biosynthesis: Signal-Driven Modular Synthesis in a Cell

- -Polyketides are generated in assembly-line type fashion.
- -Modular sections of enzyme (polyketide synthase, PKS) direct attachment and manipulation of each ketide unit.
- -Polyketides are generally biologically active at numerous biological targets.





ACP: Acyl Carrier Protein

**KR**: Ketoreductase

DH: Dehydrase

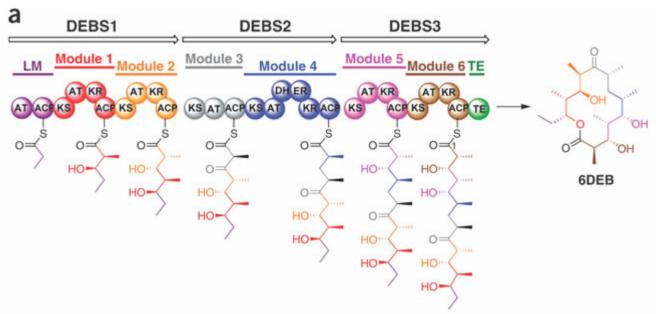
ER: Enoylreductase

-epimerase, transferase, cyclase, thioesterase, etc.

Sherman, D. H. *Nature Biotechnology* **2005**, *23*, 1083 Khosla and Co-workers *Science* **1998**, **282**,**6**32005

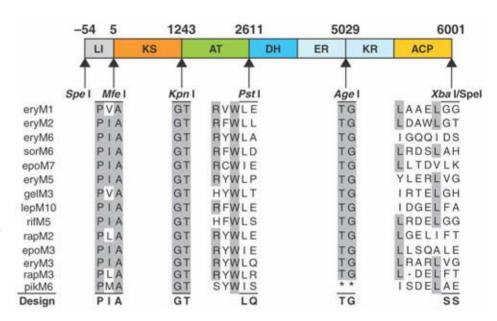
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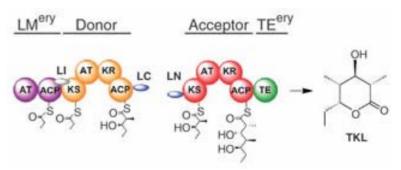
- -6-deoxyerythronolide B (DEBS) PKS was one of the early targets for deciphering and mutation.
- -3 proteins carry two extender modules each.
- -Specific domains were added or deleted resulting in different levels of processing and/or chain elongation.
- -This work culminated in a 50-member library synthesis, obtained by tedious genetic manipulation.



# Engineering Polyketide Synthesis: Choosing The Signals

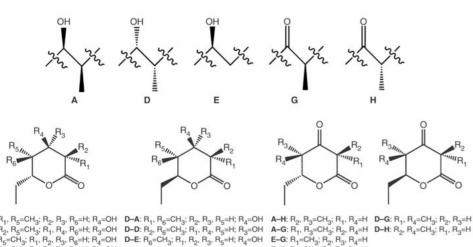
- -A survey of PKS genes revealed key conservation which could serve as restriction domains and lend "authenticity" to the gene.
- -Variable DNA was constructed for various sequencing of domains.
- -14 modules were generated and could be used as cassettes and were paired in unnatural ways (11 x 14 = 154 possible ketide lactones) and placed into *E. Coli*.





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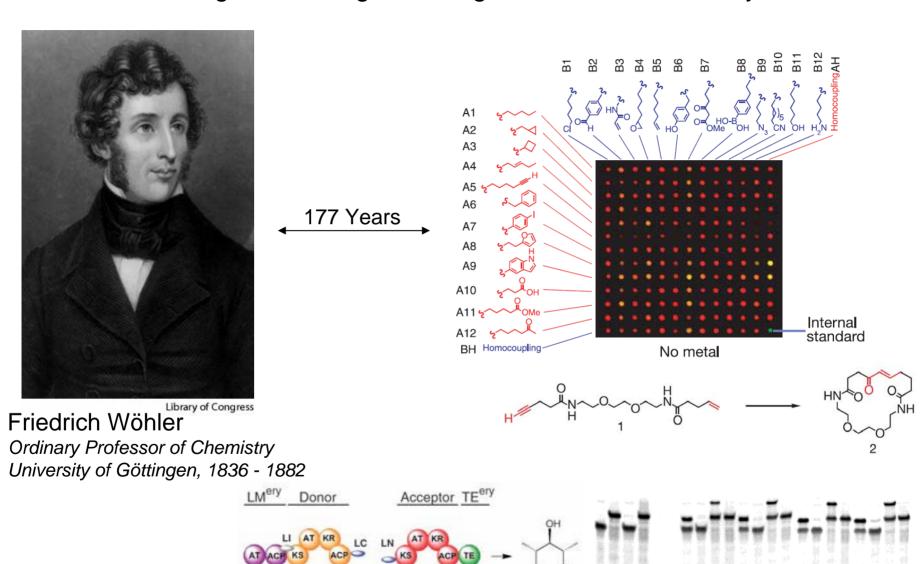
- -After incubation for 72 h, LC/MS was used to study production of the triketide lactones.
- -0.02 23 mg/L were produced in 72/154 combinations.
- -MS revealed that all combinations functioned as a donor or acceptor at least once, indicating that each is "catalytically competent".



	LN-eryM1-TE [A]	LN-eryM2-TE [D]	LN-eryM6-TE [D]	LN-sorM6-TE [D]	LN-epoM7-TE [D]	LN-eryM5-TE [D]	LN-geIM3-TE [D]	LN-lepM10-TE [D]	LN-rifM5-TE [D]	LN-rapM2-TE [E]	LN-epoM3-TE [E]	LN-eryM3-TE [G]	LN-rapM3-TE [G]	LN-pikM6-TE [H]	None
LM-eryM1-LC [A]	nd	18.5	1.22	nd	nd	1.95	0.02	nd	nd	nd	nd	12.1	0.2	12.1	nd
LM-eryM2-LC [D]	nd	0.32	0.96	nd	nd	0.2	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	23.5	2	4.1	nd
LM-eryM6-LC [D]	0.09	0.23	0.53	0.12	0.23	0.22	0.11	0.09	0.23	0.05	0.05	2.21	0.56	0.53	nd
LM-sorM6-LC [D]	0.13	nd	1.17	nd	nd	0.12	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	2.89	0.01	0.05	nd
LM-epoM7-LC [D]	nd	0.14	0.54	nd	nd	0.09	0.08	nd	nd	nd	nd	0.23	0.01	nd	nd
LM-eryM5-LC [D]	nd	0.28	3.94	nd	nd	1.23	nd	nd	0.12	nd	nd	2.39	0.1	0.21	nd
LM-geIM3-LC [D]	0.11	0.29	1.96	nd	nd	[0.11]	0.05	nd	nd	nd	nd	0.33	0.1	0.66	nd
LM-lepM10-LC [D]	0.08	nd	[0.33]	nd	nd	0.31	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	0.01	nd	0.01	nd
LM-rifM5-LC [D]	0.22	0.31	0.66	nd	nd	[0.13]	nd	nd	0.31	nd	nd	5.12	0.1	0.49	nd
LM-rapM2-LC [E]	0.09	nd	0.09	0.09	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	0.01	0.15	0.01	nd
LM-epoM3-LC [E]	0.01	nd	nd	nd	nd	0.25	nd	nd	nd						
None	nd	nd	[0.85]	nd	nd	[0.09]	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd

- -Proof-of-concept study identifying flexibility and promiscuity in module pairing.
- -Use of common restriction sites enables rapid gene production in modular fashion.
- -1.5 million possible base pairs in PKS genes were analyzed.

# Bondmaking At The Edge: Fusing Natures Code With Synthesis



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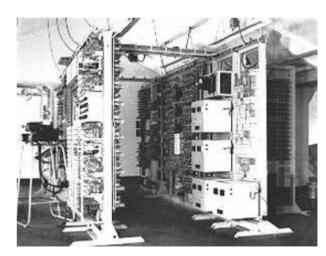
# Code Breaking: Crack the Code – Win the War



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Bletchley Park, England - ULTRA



"Colussus"

-Can breaking the biological signal code help us win the war against disease?

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I. Speaking The Launguage of Infection: Targeting HIV Signaling

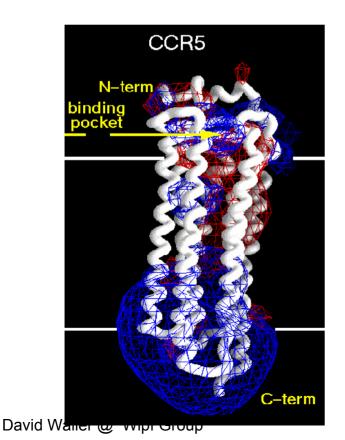
# HIV Therapy: Protease and Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors

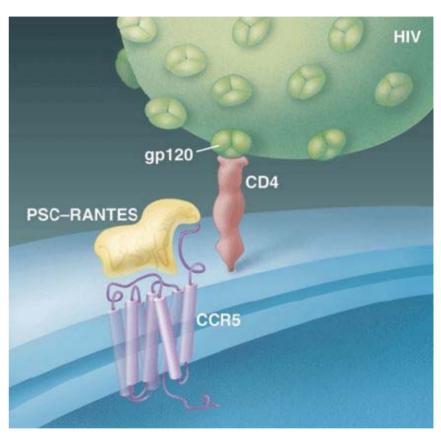
- -HIV protease (pictured) and reverse transcriptase inhibitors have been key in the modern treatment of HIV.
- -Most, if not all, are substrates for P-glycoprotein (Pgp) efflux from cells.
- -Concerns exist about the long term use of these drugs due to the development of resistant strains of the disease.
- -Regardless, these types of inhibitors cannot destroy HIV in infected patients.
- -Continued development of these types of therapies will not cure HIV.

-With the conventional therapies failing, a new method of disrupting HIV infection is needed.

# HIV Therapy: Targeting the Infection Mechanism

- -To enter cells, HIV must bind the CCR5 receptor through a poorly understood signal path.
- -Binding must occur in an orchestrated fashion with CD4 and surface glycoproteins.
- -HIV binding is accomplished using glycoprotein gp120 and the CD4 protein.





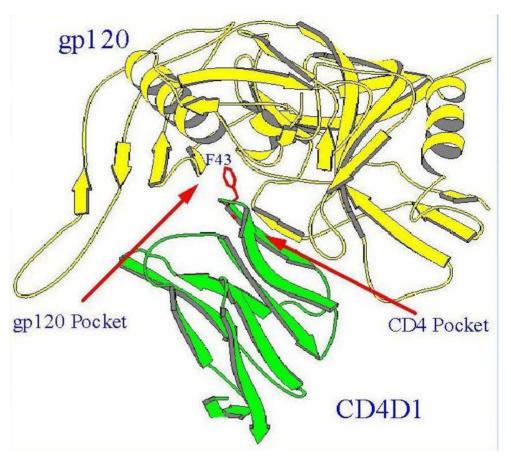
-Early work focused on the characterization of the proteins invloved in this mechanism.

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# Small Molecule Disruption: CCR5 Antagonists As Anti-HIV Therapy

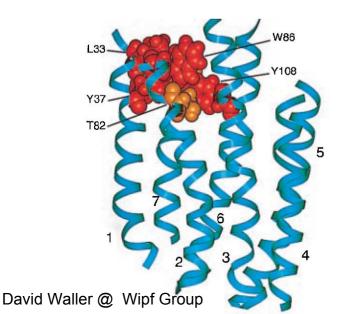
- -The pre-entry complex structure was determined by X-ray analysis.
- -All factors involved in the binding process are not known.
- -There is substantial reorganization of gp120 once bound to CD4.
- -CCR5 binding then occurs and allows access to the cell.



-The CCR5 pathway constitutes an excellent target for disrupting binding and/or signalling.

# Small Molecule Disruption: CCR5 Antagonists As Anti-HIV Therapy

- -The first non-peptidic CCR5 antagonist reported was TAK-779.
- -TAK-779 inhibits HIV replication with an  $IC_{50}$  of 10 nM.
- -TAK-779 is not orally bioavailable. TAK-220 (analogue shown) is orally bioavailable with comparable activity.



TAK-779

$$H_3C$$
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TAK-220 Analogue

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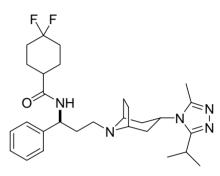
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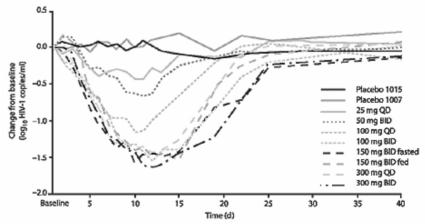
- -Maraviroc is extremely potent against a wide range of HIV strains by inhibiting entry via CCR5 binding.
- -Maraviroc has an  $IC_{90}$  of <10 nM and does not interfere with other entry sites on cells.
- -Well tolerated in humans (up to 300 mg/day).

-After short regimens (10 day), viral load remained suppressed for about 10 days.

-Maraviroc is currently in Phase III clinical trials.



UK-427,857 (Maraviroc)

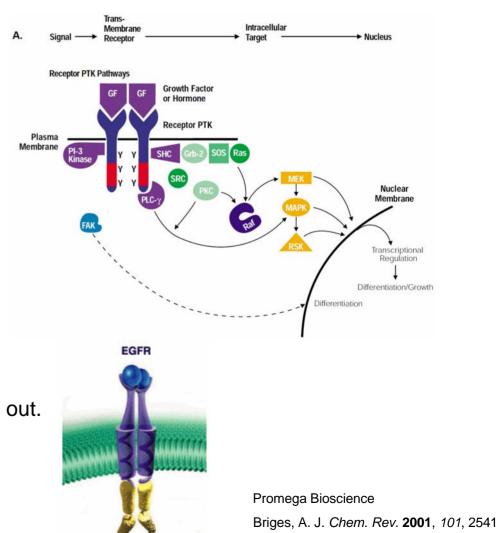


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II. Speaking The Language of Cellular Treason: Cancer Signaling

# Cellular Signaling: Receptor Tyrosine Kinases (RTKs)

- -RTKs are membrane spanning proteins and mediate a very wide variety of cellular events-differentiation, growth, metabolism, apoptosis, etc.
- -Kinase activity is one component of a complex signal cascade within the cell, which is always initiated with binding at the receptor.
- -Kinases act by phosphorylating specific tyrosine residues in target proteins using ATP, which continues the signal cascade.
- -Eventually, the signals reach the nucleus and the encoded cellular event can then be carried out.



# Cellular Signaling: Receptor Tyrosine Kinases (RTKs)

Transmembrane Receptor PTKs						
PTK Enzyme Family	PTKs	Involvement in Cellular Signaling (Disease States)	Representative References Georgescu, M.M. et al. (1999) Mol.Cell. Biol. 19, 1171.			
AxI	AxI, Mer/Nyk, Rse	integrin signaling				
Eph CEK5, CEK8, EBK, ECK, EEK, EHK-1, EHK-2, ELK, EPH, ERK, HEK, MDK2, MDK5, SEK		growth, differentiation, neurobiology (epithelial cell cancer)	Binns, K.L. <i>et al.</i> (2000) <i>Mol. Cell. Biol.</i> <b>20,</b> 4791.			
Epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR)	EGF-R, HER2/neu, HER3, HER4, ErbB, ErbB2, ErbB3, ErbB4, Xmrk, DER, Let23	growth (breast and squamous cell carcinoma, psoriasis)	Di Fulvio, M. <i>et al.</i> (2000) <i>J. Endocrinol.</i> <b>166,</b> 173.			
Fibroblast growth factor receptor (FGFR)	FGF-R1, FGF-R2/BEK/CEK3, FGF-R3/CEK2, FGF-R4/TKF, KGF-R	growth, differentiation (colon and prostate cancer)	Lopez, M. and Korc, M. (2000) <i>J. Biol. Chem.</i> <b>275</b> ,15933.			
Hepatocyte growth/ scatter factor receptor (HGFR)	HGF-R, MET, RON, SEA, SEX	growth, differentiation (cancer)	Wallenius, V. <i>et al.</i> (2000) <i>Am. J. Path.</i> <b>156,</b> 821.			
Insulin receptor (IR)	I-R, IGFI-R	differentiation, metabolism (diabetes)	Shao, J. et al. (2000) Diabetes <b>49</b> , 589.			
Nerve growth factor receptor (NGFR or Trk)	Trk A, Trk B, Trk C	neuronal differentiation, neurite outgrowth	Kaplan, D.R. and Miller, F.D. (2000) <i>Curr. Opin.</i> <i>Neurobiol.</i> <b>10,</b> 381.			
RET	RET	B cell, kidney and neural crest development (Hirschsprung's disease, multiple endocrine neoplasia, medullary thyroid cancer)	Tansey, M.G. <i>et al.</i> (2000) <i>Neuron</i> <b>25</b> , 611.			
Platelet-derived growth factor receptor (PDGFR)	PDGFα-R, PDGFβ-R, CSF1- R/FMS, SCF-R/KIT, VEGF-R/FLT, NEK/FLK1, FLT3/FLK2/STK-1	growth, differentiation, cytokine and vascular regulation (leukemia, gliomas)	Iwamoto, H. <i>et al.</i> (2000) <i>J. Lab. Clin. Med.</i> <b>135,</b> 406.			

# Cellular Signaling: The ErbB Signal Network

- -Many tumors contain genes that encode for RTK which are mutated, amplified, or the proteins are overexpressed.
- -Often, the kinases in tumor and healthy cells are different, and can therefore be selectively targeted, much unlike traditional chemotherapy.
- -Epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR or ErbB) is disregulated in 60% of solid tumors.
- -A multibillion dollar industry is to be had in this area.
- -We will focus on the erbB family of RTKs and how small molecule manipulation of this signal pathway may revolutionize medicine.

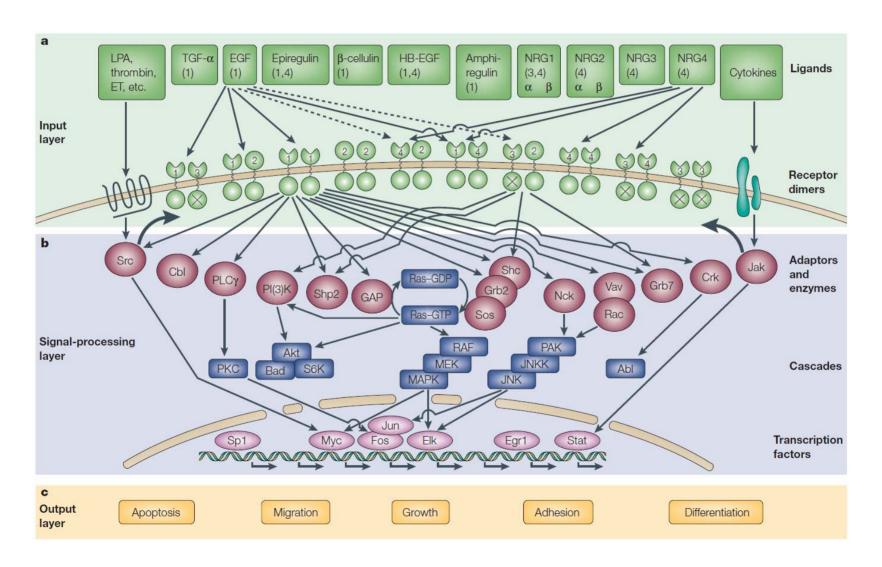
, e	Receptors			
	ErbB1	Overexpression	Head and neck, breast, bladder, prostate, kidney, non- small-cell lung cancer	Significant indicator for recurrence in operable breast tumours; associated with shorter disease-free and overall survival in advanced breast cancer; may serve as a prognostic marker for bladder, prostate, and non-small-cell lung cancers
		Overexpression	Glioma	Amplification occurs in 40% of gliomas; overexpression correlates with higher grade and reduced survival
		Mutation	Glioma, lung, ovary, breast	Deletion of part of the extracellular domain yields a constitutively active receptor
	ErbB2	Overexpression	Breast, lung pancreas, colon oesophagus, endometrium, cervix	Overexpressed owing to gene amplification in 15–30% of invasive invasive ductal breast cancers Overexpression correlates with tumour size, spread of the tumour to lymph nodes, high grade, high percentage of S-phase cells, aneuploidy and lack of steroid hormone receptors
	ErbB3	Expression	Breast, colon gastric, prostate, other carcinomas	Co-expression of ErbB2 with ErbB1 or ErbB3 in breast cancer improves predicting power
		Overexpression	Oral squamous cell cancer	Overexpression correlates with lymph node involvement and patient survival
	ErbB4	Reduced expression	Breast, prostate	Correlates with a differentiated phenotype
		Expression	Childhood medullo- blastoma	Co-expression with ErbB2 has a prognostic value

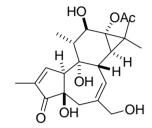
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# Cellular Signaling: The ErbB Signal Network





Phorbol Esters

Euphorbiae

Potent Tumor Promoter

Staurosporin

Geldanamycin

Clavilactone CD

...and many others, including Bistramide A

Parke-Davis (Pfizer) is credited with pioneering the development of EGFR inhibitors....

 $1C_{50}$  2  $\mu M$  Active against other kinases

PD 0069896 1.5 μM (solid tumor) Reversible, ATP Competitive

Zeneca 20-40 nM EGFr selective

PD XXX 10 nM

Reversible, ATP competitive, selective

PD 0153035 29 pM, 14 nM (cellular) Reversible, ATP competitive, selective No other effects on GFs until 10  $\mu$ M

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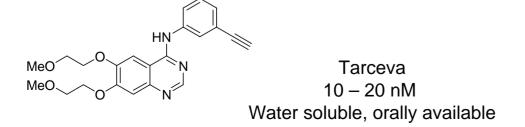
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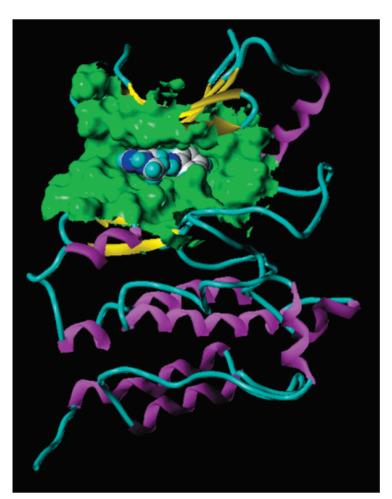
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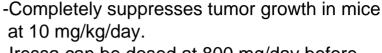
- -The extreme potency of these compounds (pM) and long lifetime in the binding pocket (>4 h) has been attributed to deep, tight binding followed by hydrophobic collapse.
- -Solubility was a severe problem in animal testing, so hydrophilic adjustments were made resulting in the final reversible inhibitor (Tarceva). This would end the reversible inhibitor hunt at Pfizer.



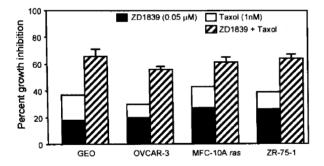


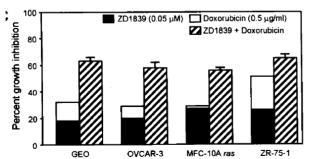
PD 0158780 bound into the EGFr active site.

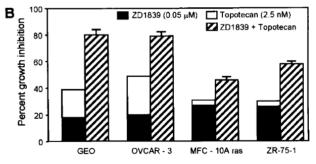
Iressa (Gefitinib), AstraZeneca EGFR/ErbB1 Inhibitor (1 - 9 nM) Orally available (1 pill a day)

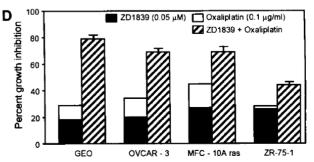


- -Iressa can be dosed at 800 mg/day before limiting toxicity sets in.
- -At plasma levels of >200nM, complete tumor suppression and some shrinkage occurs in humans.
- -Higher dosing (above minimum can result in a 2-4 fold increase in apoptosis).
- -Both monotherapy and combination therapy is effective.









Iressa, AstraZeneca Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

Tarceva, OSI/Roche/Genentech Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

**Novartis** 

$$H_3C$$
 $O_2S$ 
 $NH$ 
 $N$ 
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GlaxoSmithKline ErbB1/ErbB2 Inhibitor

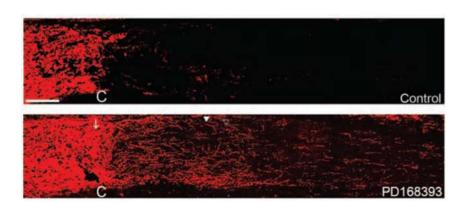
- -Most are active against breast, colon, blood, and digestive cancers and are still in clinical trials.
- -Additionally, a number of monoclonal antibodies have been approved for use (Heceptin, Erbitux).

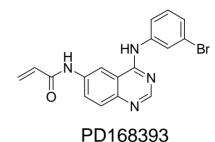
# Update - Cellular Signaling: EGFR Axon Regeneration

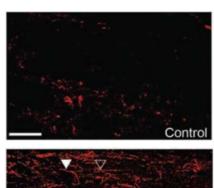
- -Myelin/Chondroitin Sulfate Proteoglycans inhibit axon (neutrite) regeneration in the adult CNS. These molecules are natural at CNS injury sites.
- -This inhibition mechanism is not understood.
- -Suppressing the EGFR/ErbB1 function (PD168393) blocks the inhibition of axon regeneration and promotes nerve fiber regeneration.

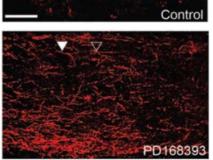
-This study also reveals that the regeneration inhibitors trigger EGFR phosphorylation, and that it is calcium dependent.

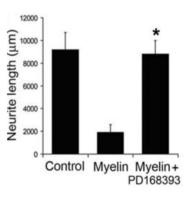
-This could be a promising treatment for CNS injury.





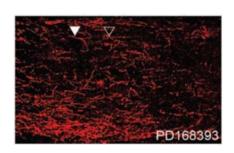




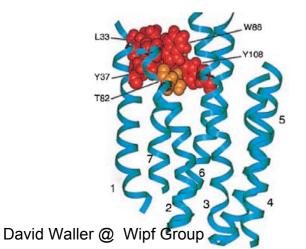


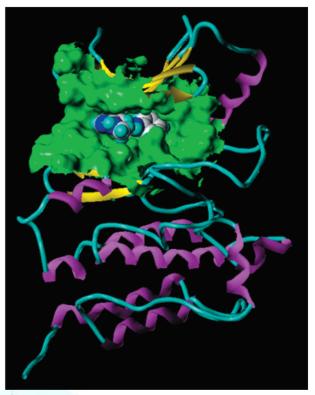
# Cellular Signaling: Interference and Therapeutics

- -Learning the signal pathways of disease can enable a new form of directed therapeutics for all types of diseases.
- -Is this the new direction of drug discovery?
- -Are we nature's Bletchley Park?



Iressa







# The Road Ahead

