

Fragment-Based Drug Design (FBDD) is a durable and popular approach for drug discovery, identifying ligands of protein targets and generating biologically active small molecules.

The Monash Fragment Platform (MFP) combines pioneering technologies with the know-how of expert scientists to deliver leading-edge research services in FBDD.

We have developed a proprietary fragment library of ~1200 compounds that has broad chemical space coverage, enables rapid analogue access and has excellent quality control for identity, purity, solubility and no aggregation.

We use a variety of biophysical techniques to screen targets against the MFP fragment library. The two most common are: nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) and surface plasmon resonance (SPR).

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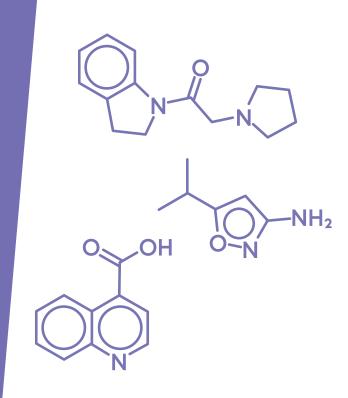


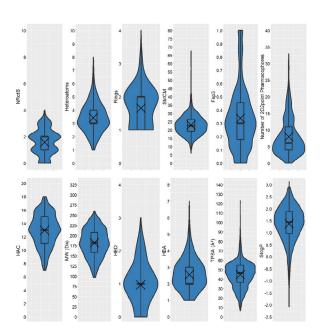
LIBRARY FEATURES

- NMR set is 1148 fragments and SPR set is 1280 fragments
- Filtered by a refined set of PAINS, alert and reactive functional groups to balance diversity and undesirable functional groups
- Measured solubility at 1 mM in aqueous buffer by ¹H NMR and Water LOGSY NMR
- Screened against 5 common SPR surfaces to eliminate problematic compounds
- Purity > 90 % and spectral data available for all compounds
- Designed to have > 10 commercially available analogues for guick follow up of validated hits

PROPERTIES AND DIVERSITY

- Molecular Weight (MW) 97-259 Da
- Number of Hydrogen Bond Donors (HBD) 0-3
- Number of Hydrogen Bond Acceptors (HBA) 1-7
- Octanol/Water Partition Coefficient (CLogP) -2.1 – 3.1
- Number of Rotatable Bonds (NRotB) 0-4
- Topological Polar Surface Area (TPSA) 6-123 Å²
- Number of Rings 1-4
- 414 unique Murcko scaffolds
- Covers 96 % of 2D 2-point pharmacophores
- Covers 36 % of 2D 3-point pharmacophores
- Covers 89 % of common functional groups and ring systems across all fragment sizes
- Designed into a set of 249 mixtures suitable for ligand detect NMR screening with minimal spectral overlap





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