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# Revealing Drug-Target Binding Pathway using Two-dimensional Replica-Exchange Molecular Dynamics Method

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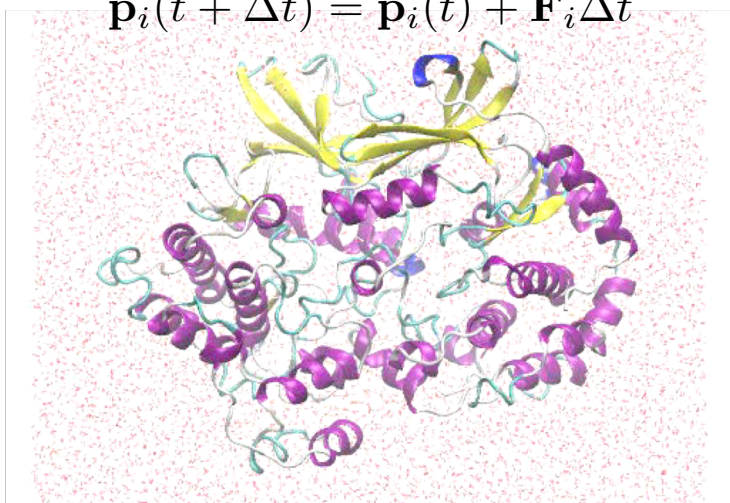
# Molecular Dynamics, MD Simulation

For analyzing biomolecular dynamics and functions

$$\frac{dr_i}{dt} = \frac{dp_i}{m} \quad \frac{dp_i}{dt} = \mathbf{F}_i$$

$$\mathbf{r}_i(t + \Delta t) = \mathbf{r}_i(t) + \frac{\mathbf{p}_i}{m} \Delta t$$

$$\mathbf{p}_i(t + \Delta t) = \mathbf{p}_i(t) + \mathbf{F}_i \Delta t$$



## MOLECULAR POTENTIAL ENERGY

$$U = \sum \frac{1}{2} K_b (b - b_0)^2 + \sum \frac{1}{2} K_\theta (\theta - \theta_0)^2 + \sum K_\phi [1 - \cos(n\phi + \delta)] + \sum \epsilon \left[ \left( \frac{r_0}{r} \right)^{12} - 2 \left( \frac{r_0}{r} \right)^6 \right] + \sum \frac{332 q_i q_j}{r}$$

All Bonds All Angles  
Hooke 1635

All Torsion Angles  
Fourier 1768

All Nonbonded pairs  
Van der Waals 1837

All partial charges  
Coulomb 1736

Simple sum over many terms

Levitt, M. Angew. Chemie Int. Ed. (2014)



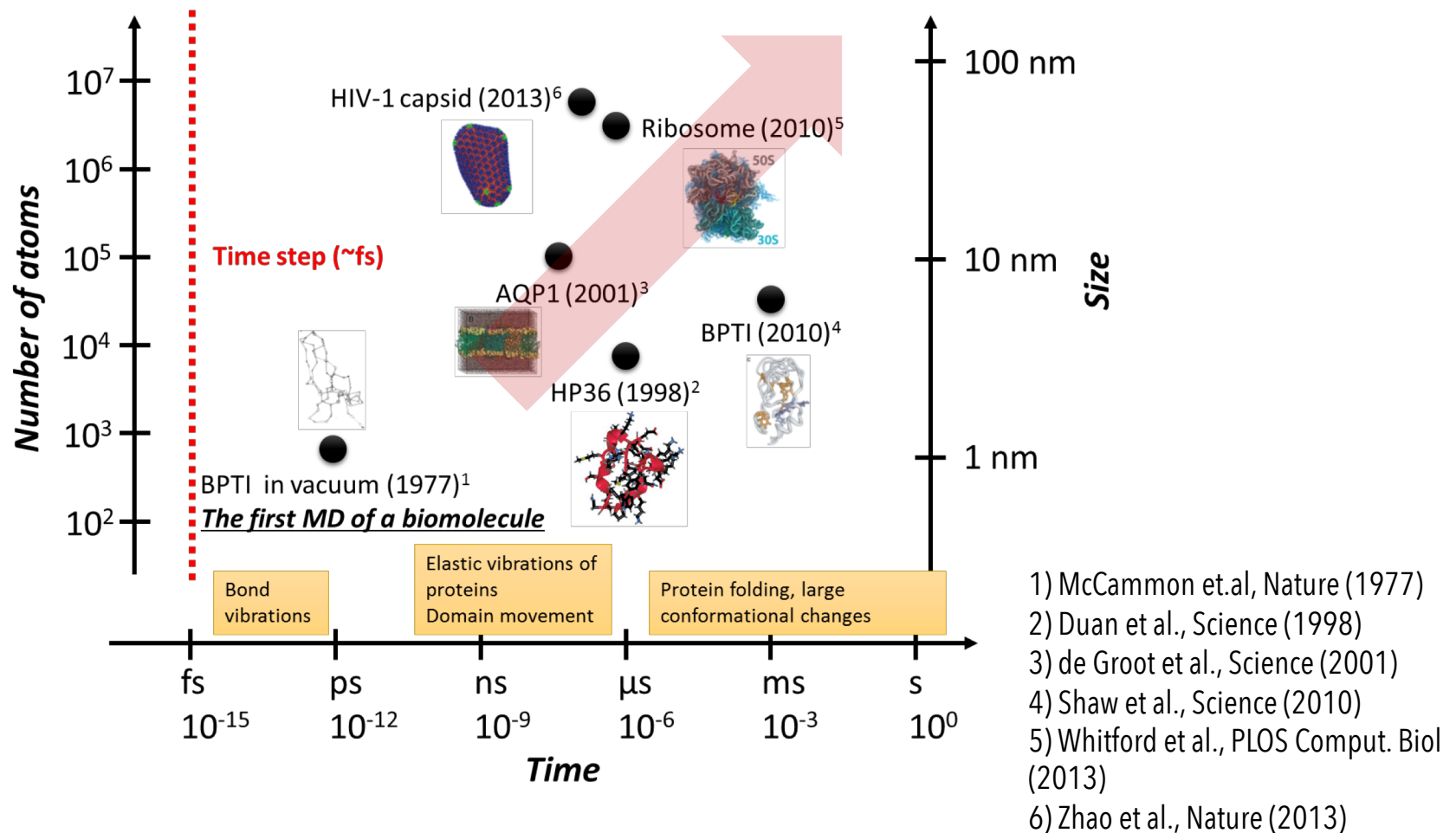
Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2013

M. Karplus, M. Levitt, and A. Warshel

*"Development of multiscale models for complex chemical systems"*

# Evolution of MD Simulation

Toward more realistic modeling, and longer timescale

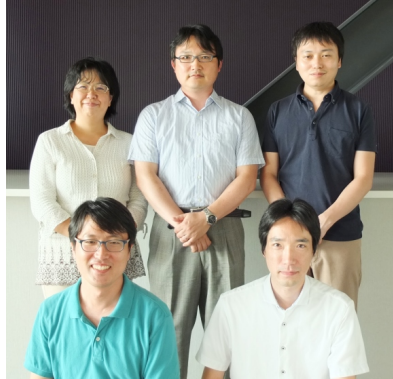




# GENESIS

Generalized-ensemble simulation system

Highly scalable  
Enhanced sampling  
General purpose



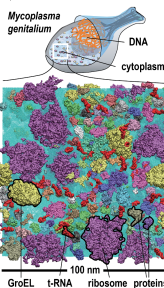
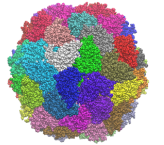
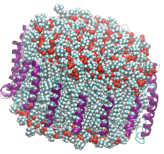
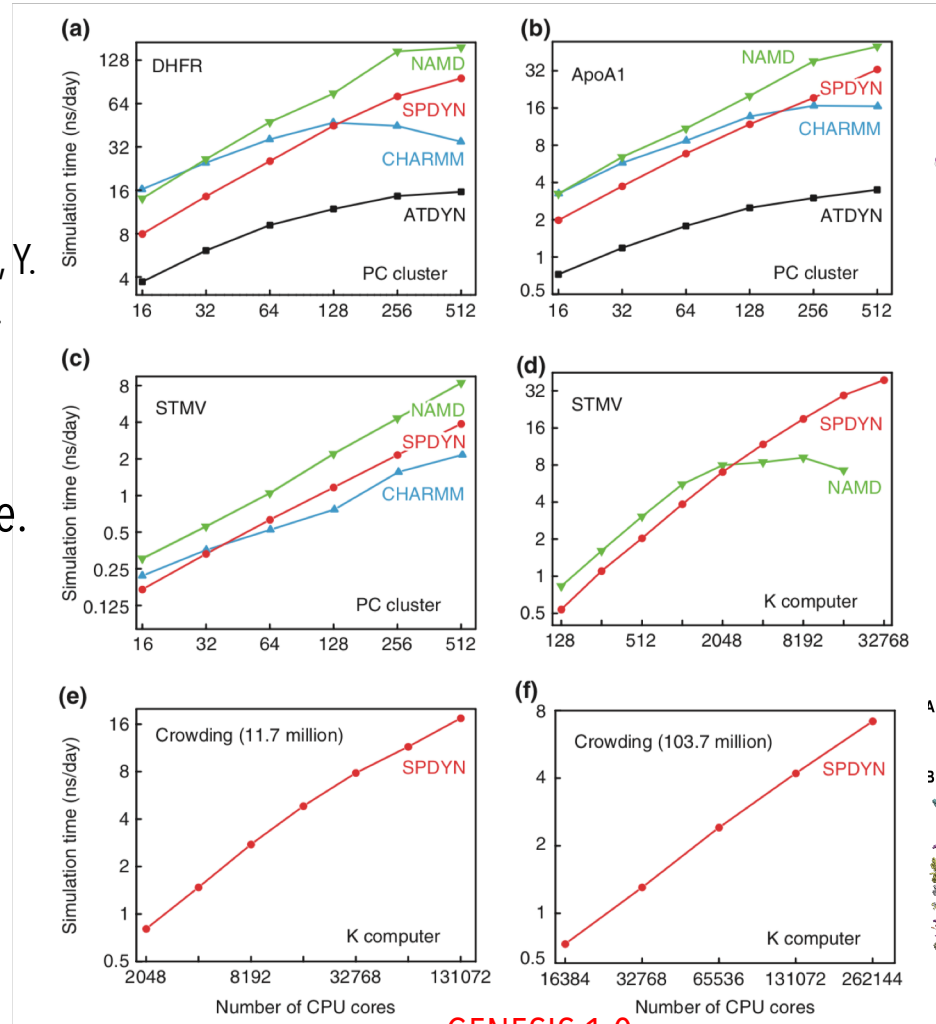
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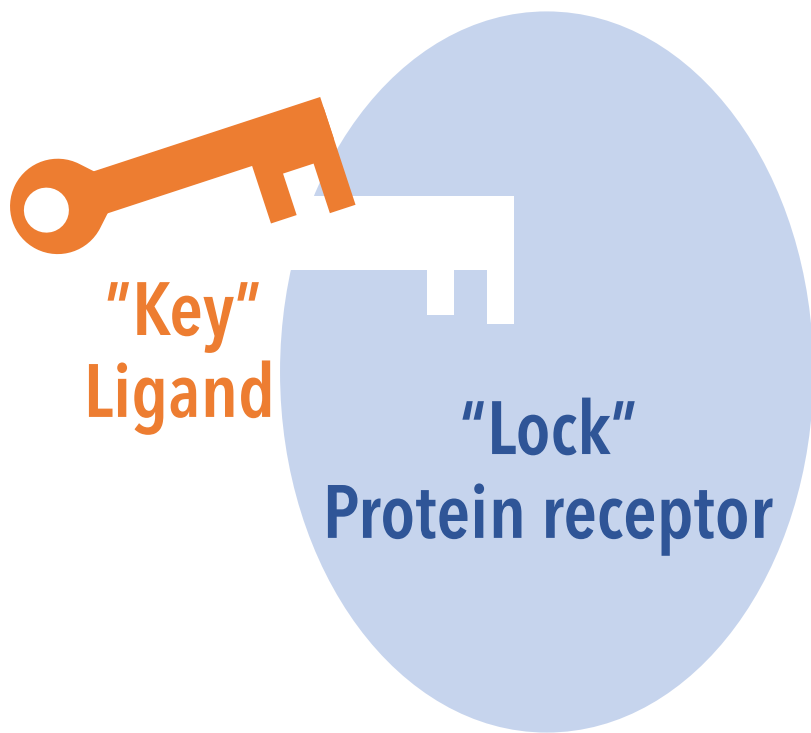


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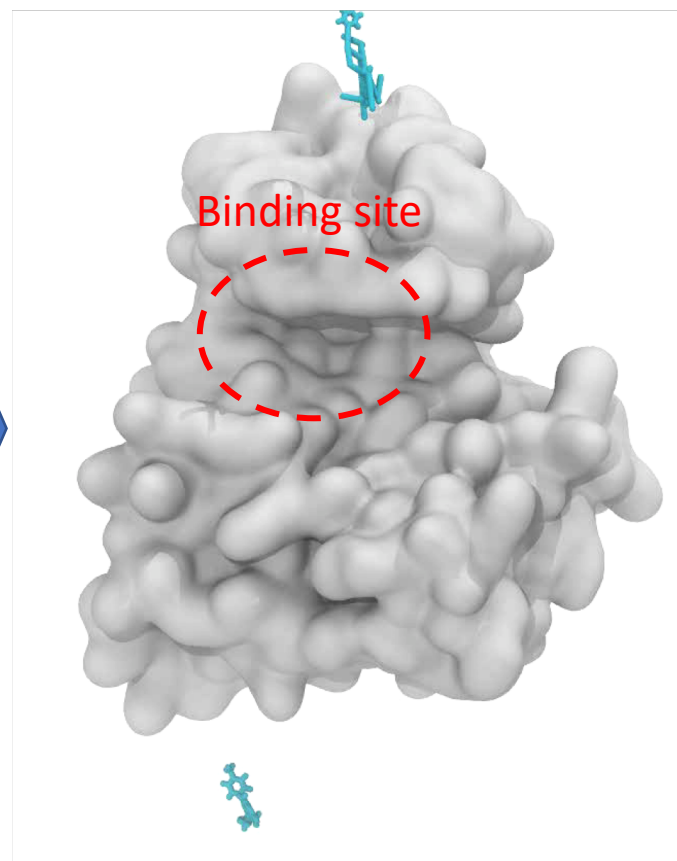
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# Computational Drug Discovery

From "Docking" to "Binding"



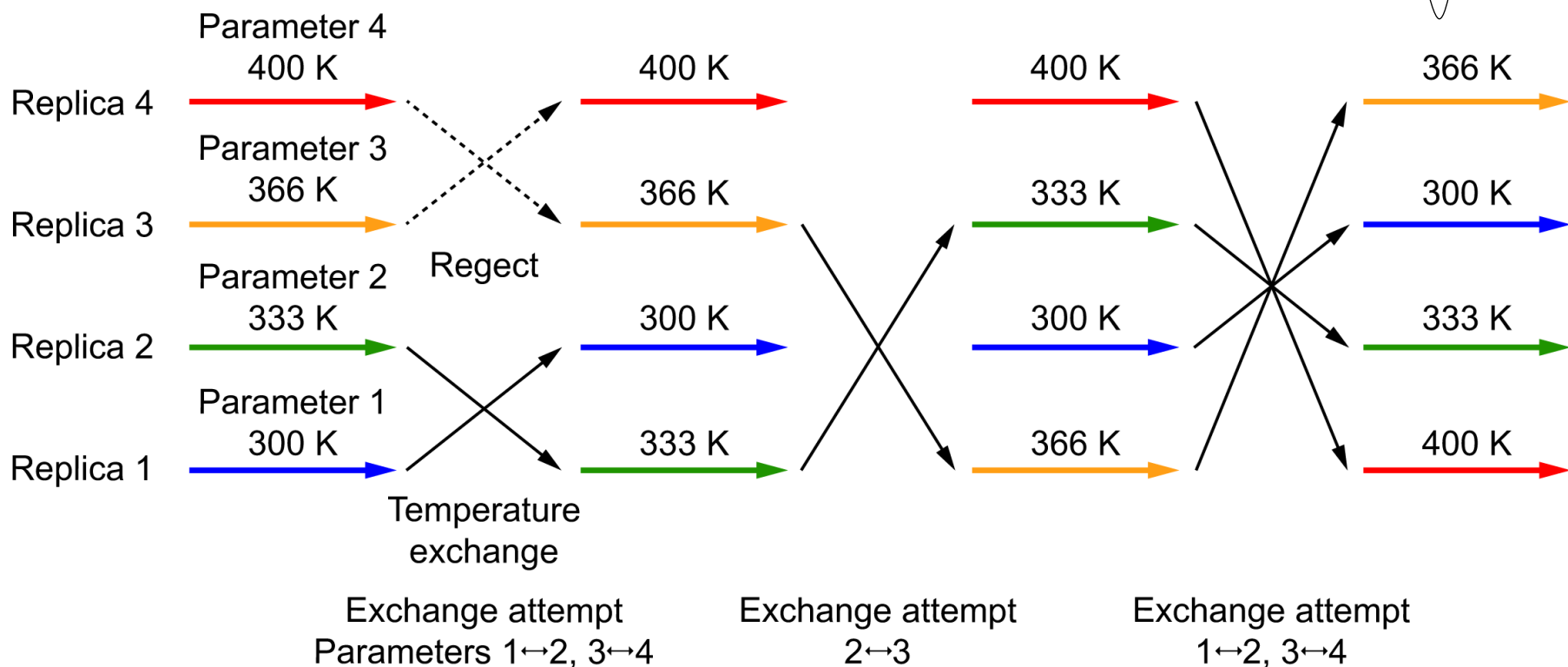
Static shape  
complementarity



Flexibility and molecular  
interaction

# Replica-Exchange MD (REMD)

Overcome high energy barrier by parameter exchanges

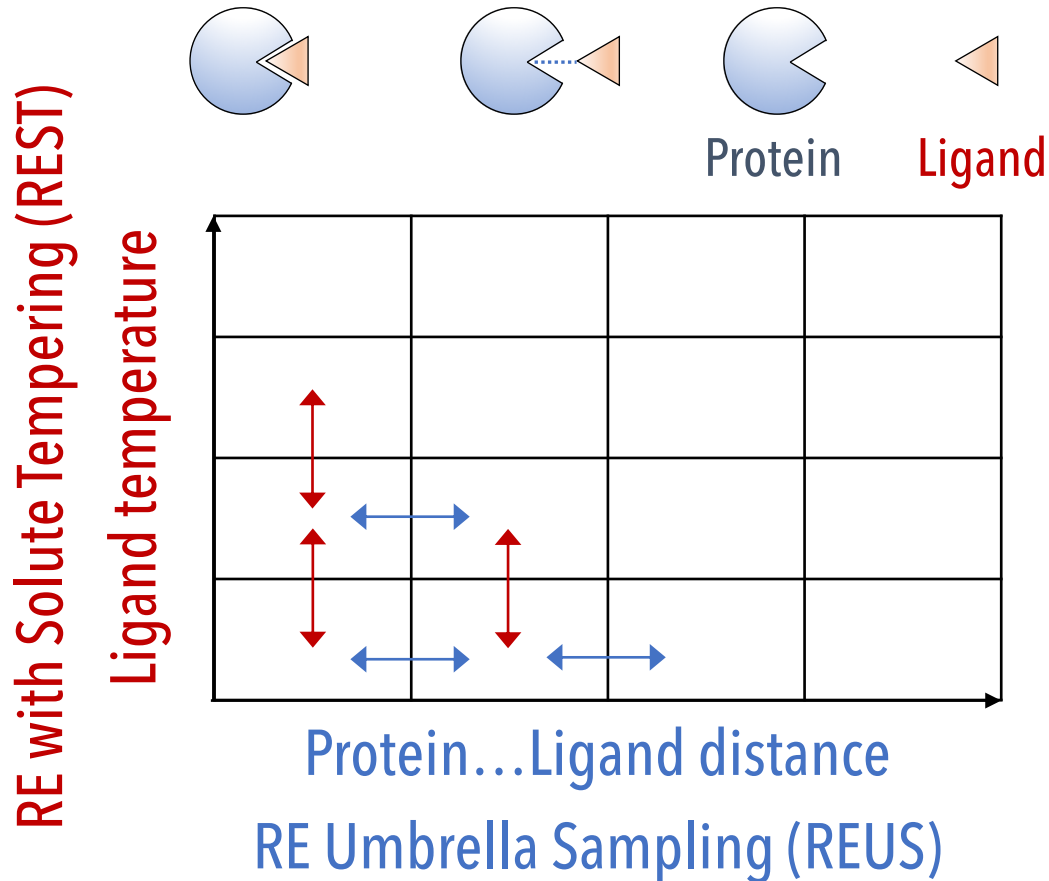


# 2D-REMD for Ligand Binding

## Enhanced sampling of ligand-binding events

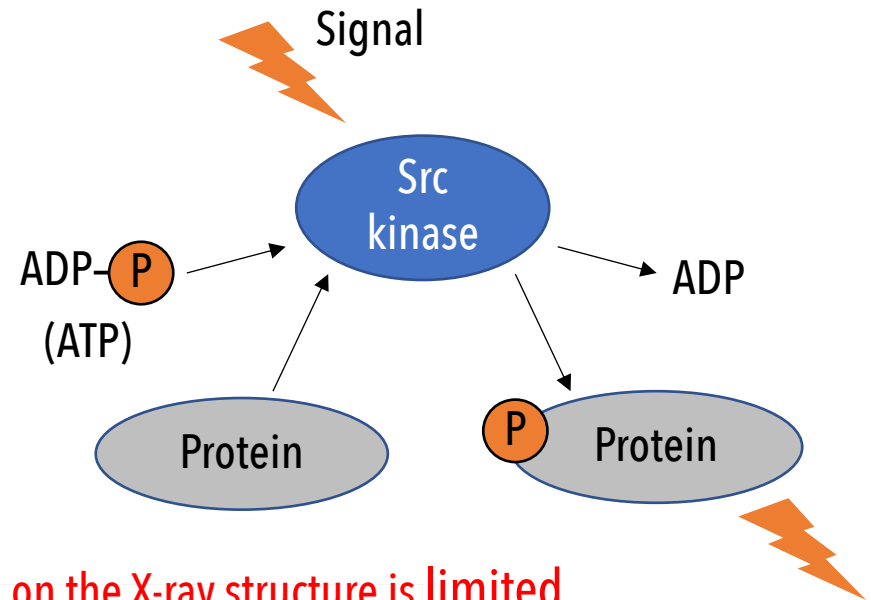
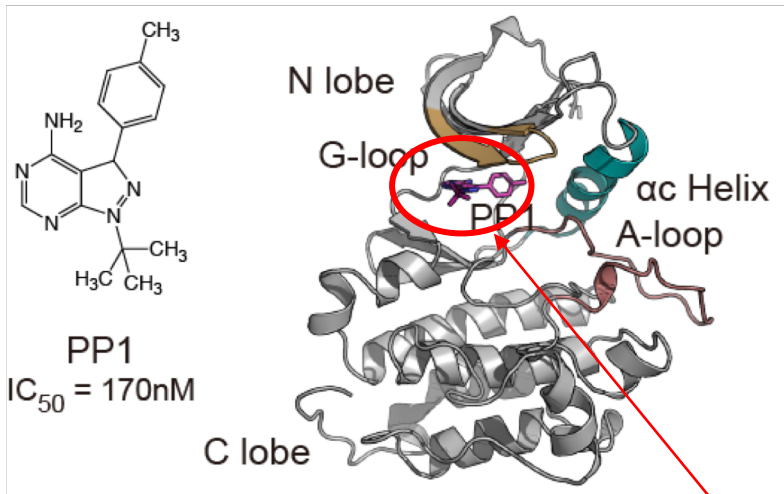
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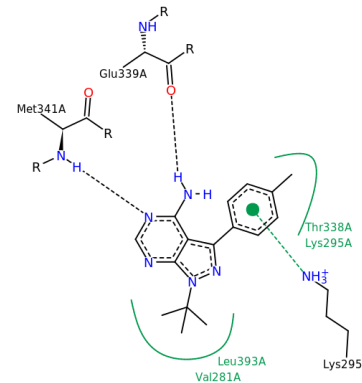
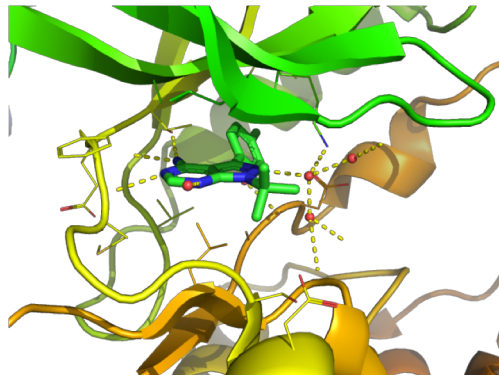


# Src Kinase – Inhibitor Binding

A key signaling kinase in cancer process



ATP competitive inhibitor design based on the X-ray structure is limited

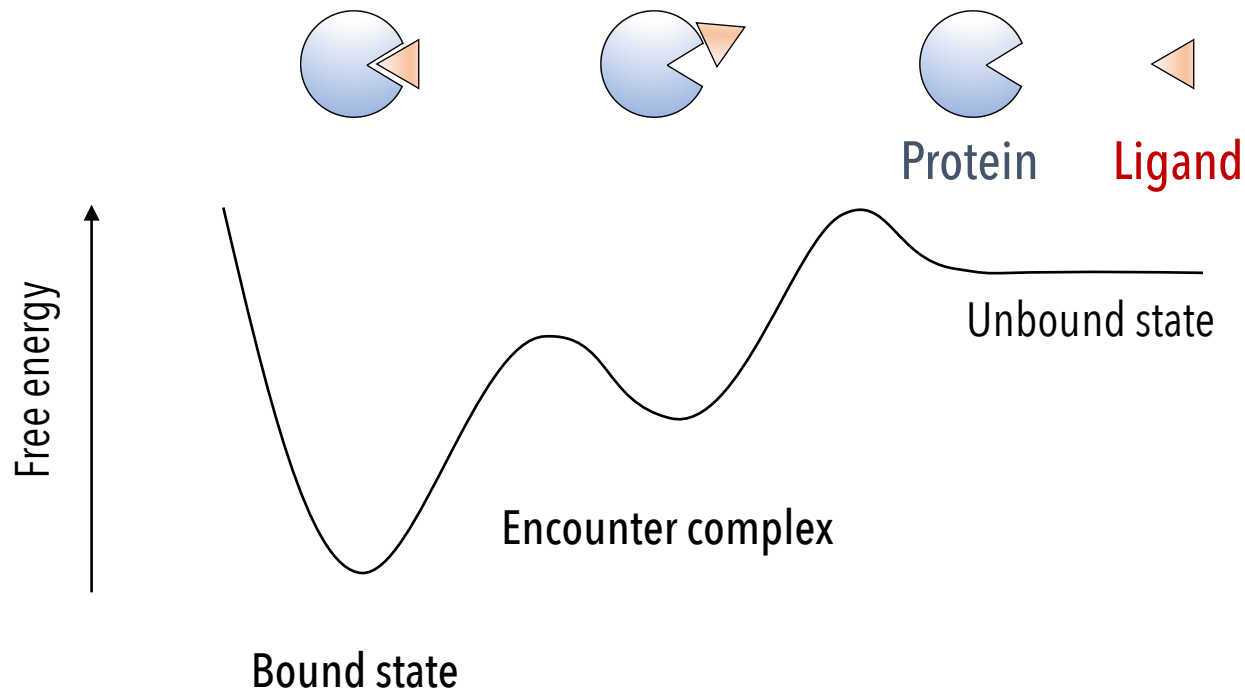


Only a part of whole functional interactions is given.



# Three Essential States

Bound, TS, Encounter, Unbound states



**gREST/REUS simulations provide atomic-level details of these states, we will discuss them in the presentation.**

# Take-Home Message

MD simulations using enhanced sampling techniques as gREST/REUS can provide the information of **multiple bound poses, multiple intermediates, and multiple pathways** in protein-ligand bindings with high statistical accuracy.

The binding pathway information **provides the functional interactions that cannot be seen in the X-ray structures**, exploring new design principle.

GENESIS on K and post-K computers would be a promising tool for next-generation drug discovery.

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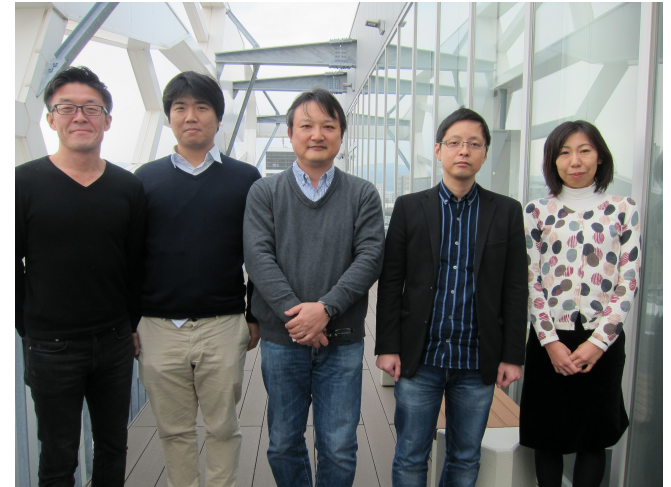
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Computational resources: K computer (Project ID: hp170254), FX10 in University of Tokyo (Project ID: hp170115) by HPCI system, and HOKUSAI (Project ID: G17016) by RIKEN Advanced Center for Computing and Communication.

**Thank you for your attention!**