

Text-based and Image-based Recognition and Extraction of Molecular Information from Figures and Figure Captions

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Outline

- **Overview of Image-based Annotation**
- **ChemReader**
- **Annotation Strategy and Test Result**
- **Chemical Literature Database**
- **Preliminary Statistics**
- **Future Works**

Why ChemReader?

Chemical Database

PubChem
ChemBank
ChemDB
ChemMine
DrugBank
GLIDA
QueryChem
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ChemReader

Scientific literature

Journals
Patents
Books
Papers
Project reports
Websites
Theses
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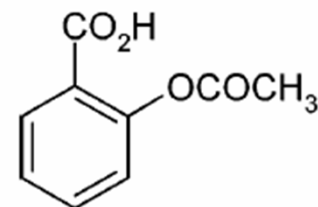
Searching for chemical information

■ The problems:

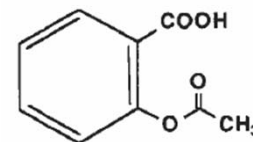
- Too many synonyms
- Often referenced by chemical structure diagrams

Ex) Aspirin

- Acetylsalicylic acid (ASA)
- 2-acetoxybenzoic acid
- acetylsalicylate
- Acylpyrin
- Colfarit
- Ecotrin
- Enterosarein
- Acenterine
- Polopiryna
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P Vishweshwar et al, J. Am. Chem. 2005

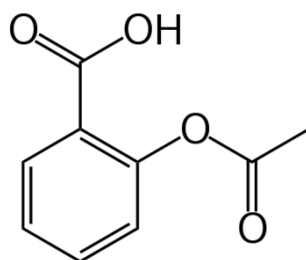


PJ Loll et al, Nat. Struct. Mol. Biol. 1995

Searching for chemical information

■ The problems

- Need to identify related compounds

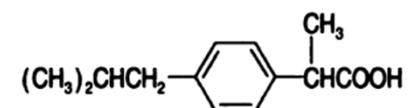
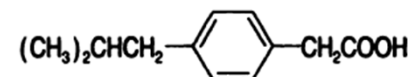
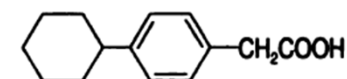
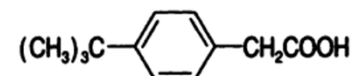
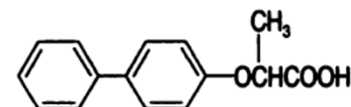
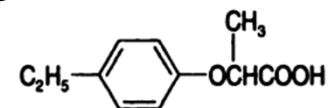


Aspirin

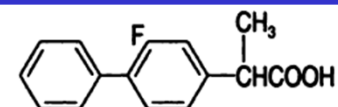
Similar structure



Similar drug effect



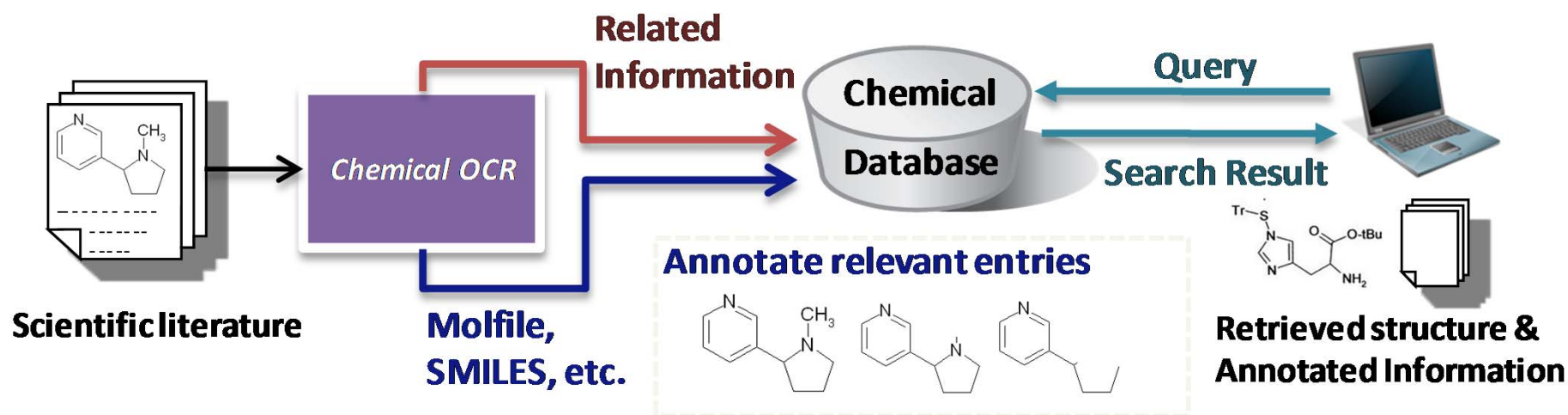
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SS Adams, J. Clin. Pharmacol. 1992

Image Based Annotation

Chemical database annotation using Chemical OCR

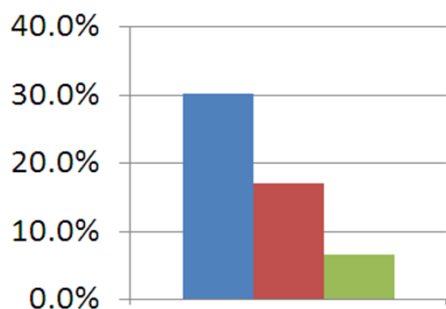


Chemical OCR system

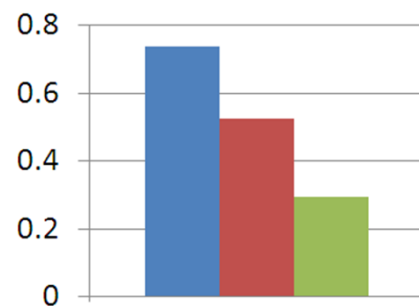
- Extract 2D chemical structure diagram from literature
- Convert them to a standard chemical file format
- CLiDE, ChemOCR, OSRA and **ChemReader**

Test Result

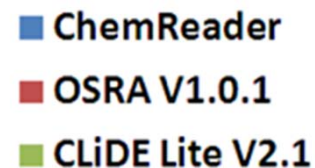
■ Recognition Test



% of correct outputs



Avg. Tanimoto Similarity



■ Annotation Test

- Tunable annotation strategy: Two different conditions for screening output structures

	Avg. Recall	Avg. Precision
Test I	0.69	0.8
Test II	0.8	0.88

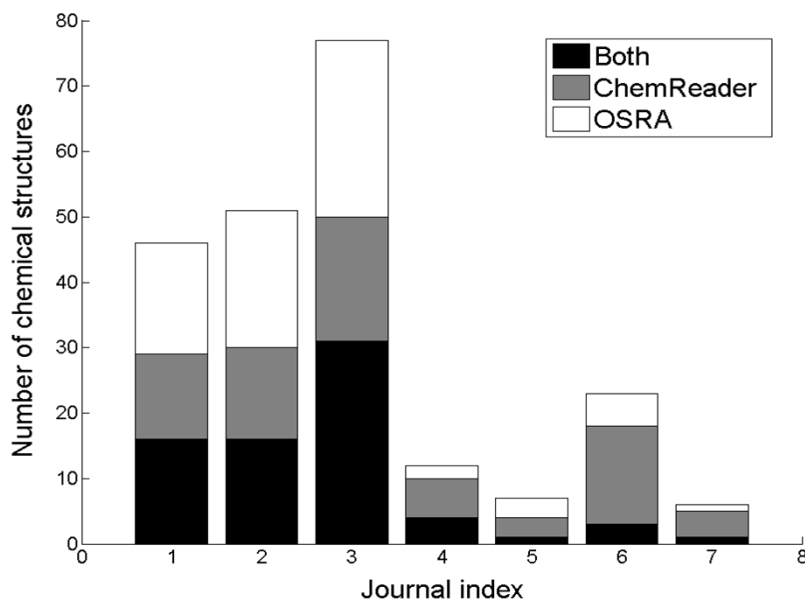
Ensemble Approach

■ Motivation

- Maximize the chance of including correct structure information by combining strengths of multiple chemical OCR systems

■ Rationale

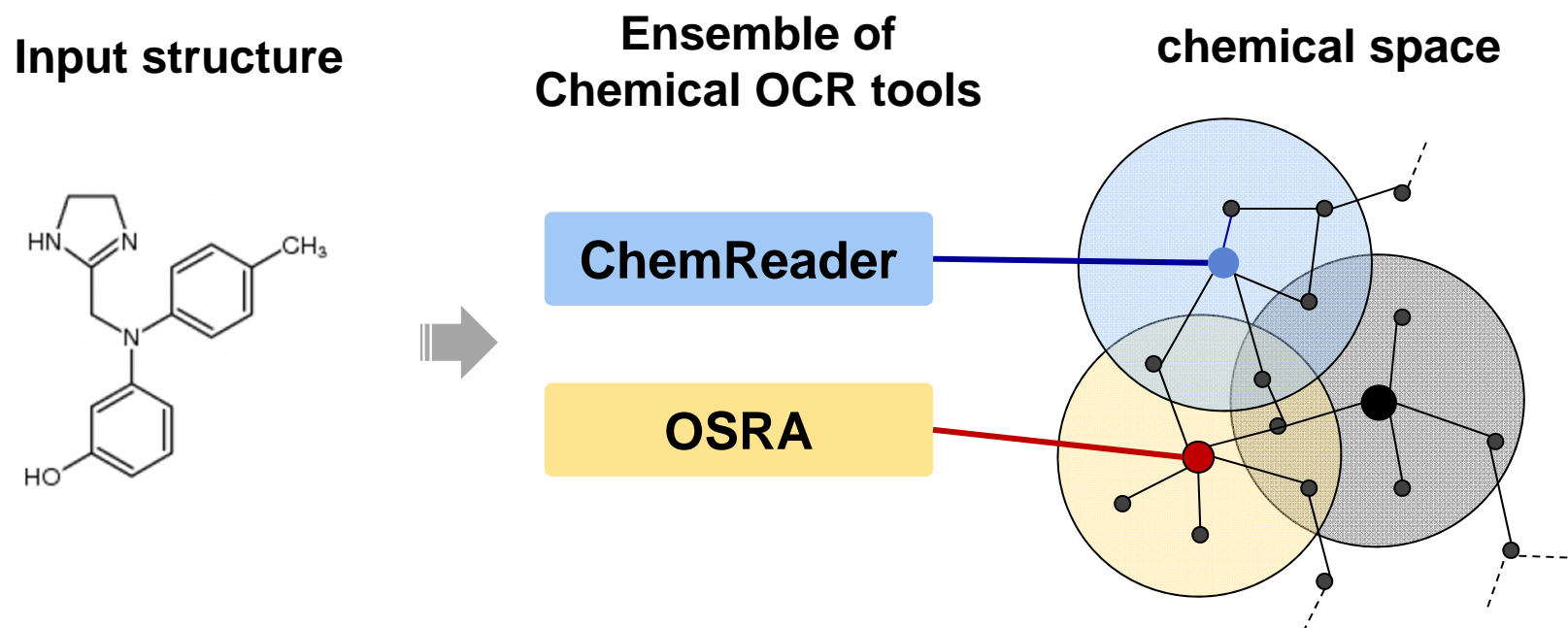
- Different machine-vision algorithms could have different strengths in particular types of structures



Number of successful outputs produced by ChemReader or OSRA grouped by journal index.

Ensemble Approach

■ Use of multiple chemical OCR tools



- Two output structures for the same input structure become members of the ensemble
- The ensemble approach enables to maximize chance of linking relevant entries in the annotation task

Annotation Test by Ensemble Approach

▪ Result

- Total number of TP, FP and FN links

	TP	FP	FN
ChemReader	24592	30844	47631
OSRA	33105	21067	54995
Ensemble	45707	51535	55984

- Averaged recall and precision rates

	Avg. Precision	Avg. Recall
ChemReader	0.563	0.569
OSRA	0.491	0.568
Ensemble	0.544	0.619

The need of image-based annotation

▪ **Motivation of Image-based annotation**

- Many molecules are referenced by 2D structure diagrams in chemical literature due to the lack of standard names
- Image-based mining can uncover knowledge on such molecules that is otherwise inaccessible in chemical databases

▪ **How to validate?**

- How chemical entities are referred in research articles?
- Comparison of text-based annotation and Image-based annotation

Ground truth for chemical literature mining

■ CAS Database

- The largest and commercially accessible chemical database
- Links to cited references (journals or patents) dating back to the beginning of the late 19th century

■ Sample set

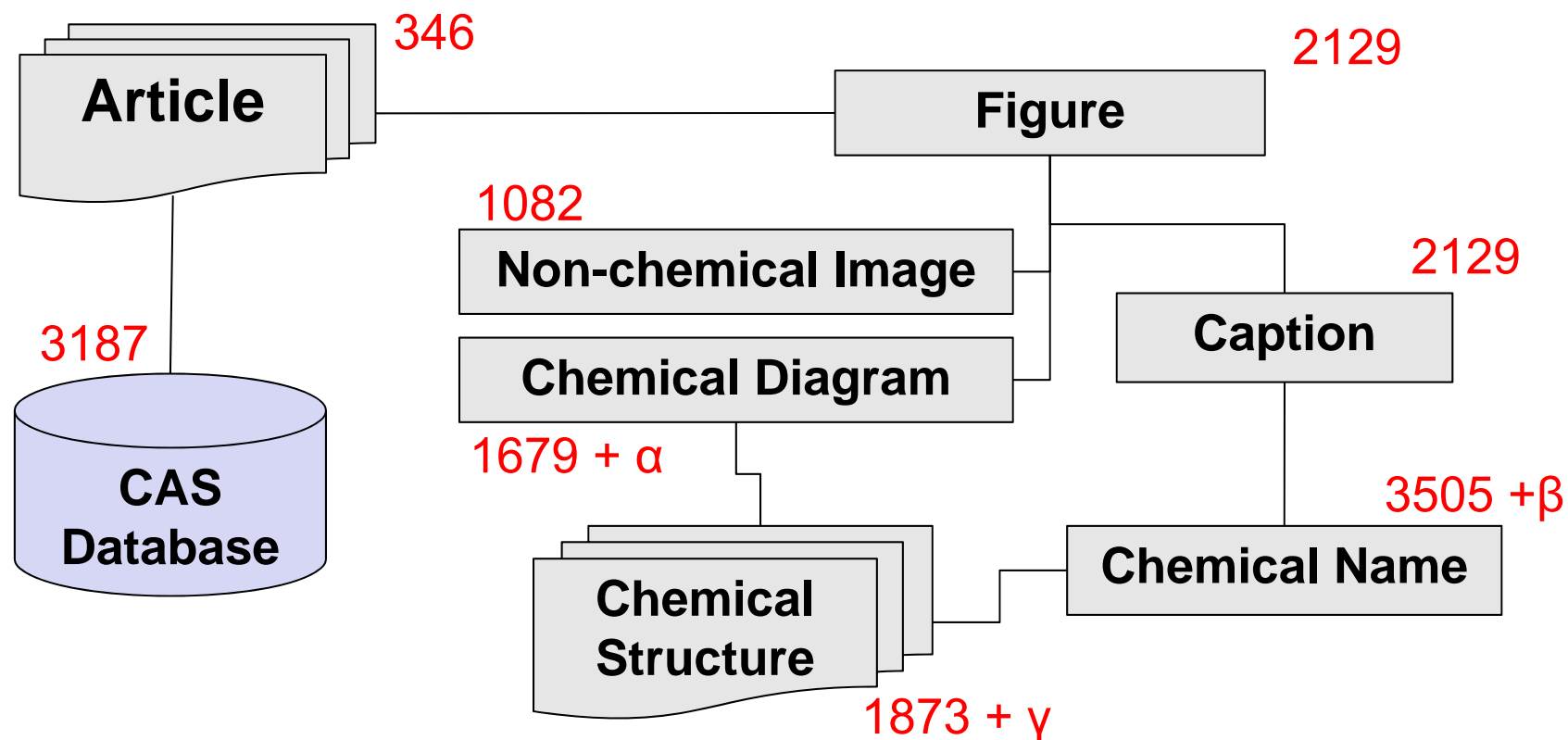
- Keywords search: “Diabetes” and “small molecule”
 - 822 Journal articles
- Select 399 articles containing molecules being cited only once
- Download PDF files from publishers’ website
 - Total **346** full-text articles in PDF format

Extraction of chemical info from figures

- **All figures and captions are extracted from articles**
- **Image extraction**
 - Export images without modification of color depth, size or resolution
 - Snapshot tool only for vector graphics
 - Separation of chemical structure images
- **Chemical structure extraction**
 - 2D Chemical structure diagram from image files
 - Chemical names from caption text
 - Extracted chemicals are indexed by CAS Registry numbers (or InChI strings)

Construction of chemical literature database

- Extracted data is stored in a relational database as traceable assertions



* Red numbers denote the number of records in the database

Preliminary statistics on current data

- **Identifying chemical diagrams or chemical names on progress**

Total number of linked molecules		
cited in captions	cited in diagram	cited in both
$657 + \alpha$	$1326 + \beta$	$110 + \gamma$

- **Over 278 molecules cited in chemical diagrams are missed by CAS**

Text-based annotation using OSCAR3

■ OSCAR3

- Chemical documents processing tool (Corbett and Murray-Rust, 2008)
- Identify chemical names, ontology terms and chemical data

■ Chemical names in caption text

- Number of captions tested : 334
- Number of chemical names = 1087
- Number of chemical names extracted by OSCAR= 1814
- Number of correctly identified = 806
- **Precision = 0.444**
- **Recall = 0.741**

What we can do with the database

▪ **Statistical Analysis**

- How molecules are cited first? By diagrams or names?
- How many molecules are cited only by diagrams?
- How many molecules are not indexed by CAS?



2D Chemical diagrams in articles are important data objects for mining chemical literature

Validation of Image-Based Annotation

- **ChemReader is effective?**

- Chemical structures cited only by diagrams and missed by CAS
- Chemical structures incorrectly annotated by text-based approach



Image-based approach can uncover knowledge that are inaccessible otherwise

Integration of Image-based and Text-based

- **Multi modal extraction from chemical literature**
 - Text-based mining enables to extract textual descriptors as well as chemical names
 - Graphical Mining
 - Uncover the contextual scientific knowledge
- **Ensemble approach**
 - Strengths of image-based and text-based techniques
 - Increase annotation accuracy

Conclusion

- **Significant fraction of molecules is referenced by chemical diagrams only, and a chemical OCR system can be effective in annotating articles with these molecules**
- **Constructed database will facilitate research in chemical literature mining for the design, training and testing of algorithms for chemical structure extraction and chemical database annotation**

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