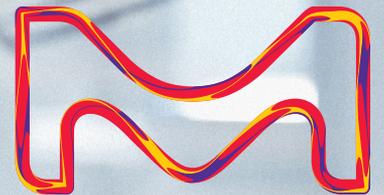


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Drug Discovery from
**PREDICTION TO
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Target Identification

Lead Discovery

Lead Optimization

Preclinical Testing

Chemical Biology Tools

- [Metabolism Assay Kits](#)
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Compound Screening

- [AIDDISON™ Drug Discovery Software](#)
- [Off-the-shelf DNA Encoded Libraries](#)
- [Aldrich Market Select-Small Molecule Library Service](#)
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Small Molecule Synthesis

- [SYNTHIA™ Retrosynthesis Software](#)
- [SYNPLE Automated Synthesis](#)
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Purification, Analysis & Method Development

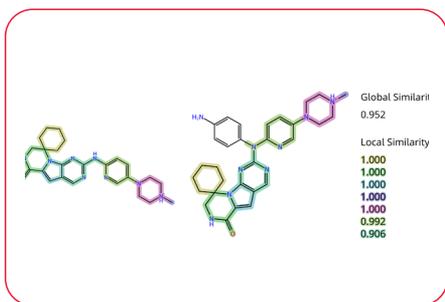
Drug Delivery

Drug Screening

Explore workflow-specific offerings for your focus area: [SigmaAldrich.com/drug-discovery-chemistry](https://www.sigmaaldrich.com/drug-discovery-chemistry)

Streamline early-stage drug discovery with AIDDISON™ and SYNTHIA™ software — two powerful tools designed to help you design, optimize, and synthesize molecules with greater speed and accuracy.

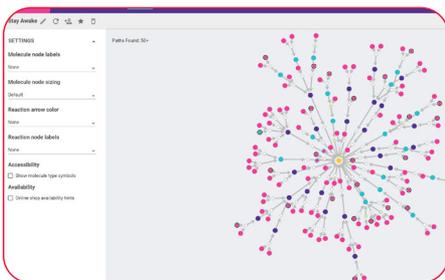
Smarter Chemistry



Design Smarter with AIDDISON™ Software

- **Explore vast chemical space:**
Generate novel drug candidates using AI/ML models trained on decades of experimental data.
- **Prioritize promising leads:**
Identify potential hits with rapid *in silico* screening and flexible *de novo* design tools.
- **Optimize for success:**
Refine your candidates with structure-based alignment and robust ADMET predictions.

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Synthesize faster with SYNTHIA™ Retrosynthesis Software

- **Simplify route design**
Quickly and efficiently scan hundreds of pathways to help you identify the best option according to your needs.
- **Save time and reduce costs**
Explore the most cost-effective routes to your target molecules with state of the art visualization and filtering options.
- **Generate new ideas and intellectual property**
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Source Easier with essential starting materials

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Small Molecule Screening

Efficient drug library screening and compound design are essential to seamlessly progress from hit identification to lead selection and optimization for successful drug design.

Aldrich Market Select (AMS)

offers an efficient online platform for sourcing synthetic building blocks and small-molecule compound libraries.

Upload a structure or product list, filter by properties, request a quote, consult with specialists, and order – all in one place. With access to over 14 million chemical products, AMS makes it easy to build your personalized library.

Imagine accelerating your drug discovery process with a single, comprehensive service



Select. Screen. Synthesize.

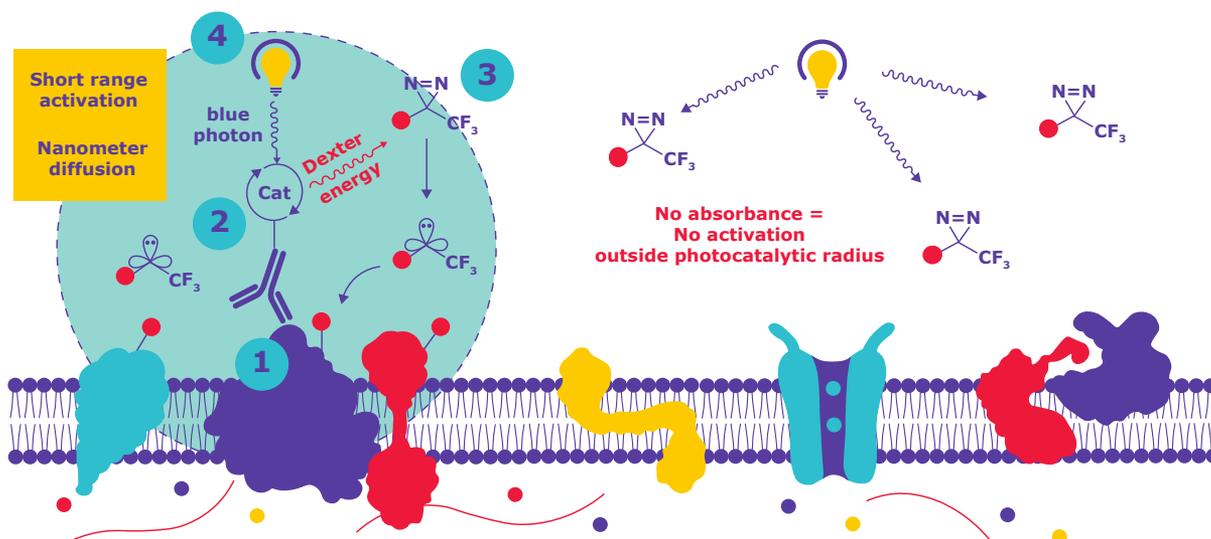
protein proximity labeling

Enhance your Drug Target Identification

In partnership with the MacMillan lab, we offer the μ Map kits designed for photoinduced proximity labeling applications. The **Atlas Kit** identifies proteins interacting with a target protein and maps protein microenvironments on cell surfaces.

The **Hyas** and **Dione Kits** label proteins interacting with a small molecule or drug of interest. The Hyas kit features an iridium photocatalyst with a terminal carboxylic acid, while the Dione kit contains a photocatalyst with a terminal amine.

Adapted from MacMillan et. Al. Science, 367, 1091-1097 (2020)



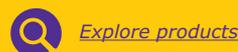
- 1 Selectively bind to your Protein of Interest** – can be done with an antibody (Atlas Kit) or small molecule (Hyas/Dione)
- 2 Tether an 'antenna' to the protein** - An optimized (IP protected) photocatalyst is conjugated to the antibody or small molecule

- 3 Sprinkle in your locator tags** - a diazirine with a fluorescent probe or handle attached, it remains inert until light activated
- 4 Hit the lights!** Using a photoreactor, the low-frequency blue light leaves everything untouched except the diazirines in *close proximity* to the photocatalyst tethered to your protein

Advantages of Micromapping Technology

- Precise labeling within 4 nm radius of the target protein
- Significantly lower false positive rates compared to traditional methods
- Catalytic activation of the labeling agent allows multiple opportunities for protein labeling
- Enables study of endogenous proteins without genetic engineering modifications
- Reduced toxicity from activation method

Pinpoint your drug target



DNA-ENCODED LIBRARIES (DELS)

DNA-encoded libraries (DELS) enable the screening of vast compound libraries in a single tube, reducing infrastructure needs and resource costs. Our partnership with **DyNAbind®** offers off-the-shelf DEL kits for efficient, cost-effective drug discovery.

DYNA001

Fragment-based drug discovery (FBDD) excels in identifying new drug candidates for challenging targets, such as protein-protein interactions (PPIs) and molecular glues, which lack traditional binding pockets. By pinpointing fragment-binding sites on macromolecules, FBDD reveals druggable areas, assesses target druggability, and establishes starting points for new chemical entities. Fragment-based hits also offer higher ligand efficiency compared to small molecules.

DYNA002

Small molecule screening technology enables the rapid identification of potent, selective hits for difficult targets by screening millions of compounds simultaneously. Its broad chemical diversity enhances the discovery of novel bioactive molecules and allows for thorough assessment of target druggability, creating a strong foundation for lead optimization. Available in 2- or 5-vial kits, each vial is optimized for testing single conditions.

DEL DATA offers a comprehensive view of hit compounds' chemical structures and binding affinities, derived from DYNA002 screening. This data can be leveraged in AI and virtual screening applications, such as with the **AIDDISON™ platform**, to predict drug interactions and determine structure-activity relationships prior to custom synthesis.

Expand chemical space



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Targeted protein degradation

With approaches like hetero-bifunctional degraders (PROTACs) and molecular glues, previously 'undruggable' proteins are now accessible for therapeutic use.

Our curated range of Degradation Building Blocks supports PROTAC® design, including E3 ligase ligands and linkers with functional handles for easy conjugation.

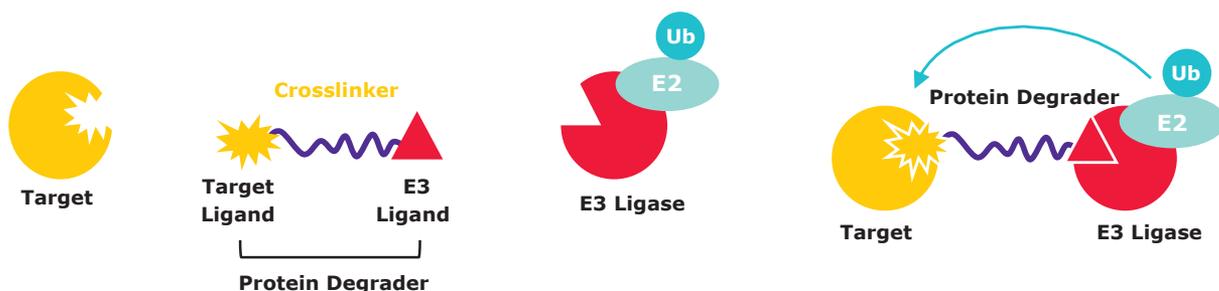
PROTAC® development typically involves creating and testing panels of candidate degraders, adjusting E3 ligase ligands, exit vectors, and linkers. Our collection includes functionalized ligands targeting VHL, CRBN, and IAP, attached to PEG or alkyl linkers with amine, acid, alkyne, azide, or alcohol functionalities for advanced modifications, enabling efficient construction of candidate degrader libraries.



Accelerate novel therapeutic discovery with our protein degrader building blocks

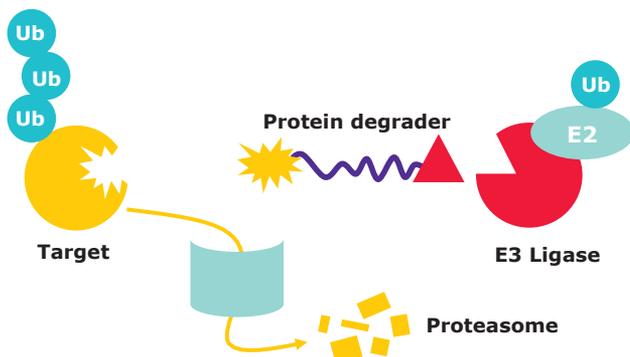
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Targeted protein degradation via proteolysis chimeras (PROTACs)



1 Degradation design Constructed to bind both target and E3 ligase

2 Ternary complex The protein degrader recruits target to E3 ligase



3 Polyubiquitination Ubiquitin (Ub) added to Lys residues on target

4 Target degradation Ub-marked target is degraded by the proteasome

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High-Throughput Experimentation

Catalyst screening platforms empower chemists to make faster, more informed decisions to optimize their workflows, and ultimately achieve better, more reproducible results with fewer resources.



Catalexis is a data-driven catalyst screening platform that optimizes palladium-catalyzed reactions such as Buchwald-Hartwig Amination and Suzuki-Miyaura Coupling reactions.



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This hybrid solution offers chemists everything needed for successful catalyst optimization:

- A curated set of 23 phosphine ligands, a palladium source, and access to the digital portal
- Post-reaction data can be uploaded in the Catalexis portal for advanced algorithmic analysis, ranking the optimal phosphine ligands for your specific reaction.

Catalexis not only streamlines material selection but also facilitates efficient scale-up strategies. Explore how Catalexis can integrate into your workflow, making catalysis research faster, more reliable, and scalable.

KitAlysis™ High-Throughput Screening Platform

KitAlysis™ Screening Kits run 24 unique reactions with ~100 mg of user-provided substrate and are available pre-plated for seven different reaction types, including:

- Buchwald-Hartwig amination reaction
- Copper C-N cross-coupling reaction
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- Suzuki-Miyaura cross-coupling reaction
- Palladium cross-coupling reactions
- Medium (5, 6, 7) ring-closing metathesis (RCM)



While utilizing the **KitAlysis™ Benchtop Inertion Box**, these reactions can be conducted in an inert atmosphere without the use of a glovebox.

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Identify optimal catalytic reaction conditions



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Building compounds for breakthroughs

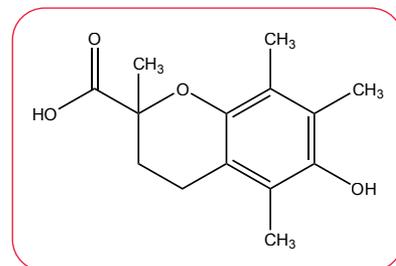
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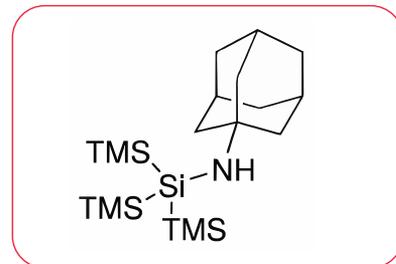


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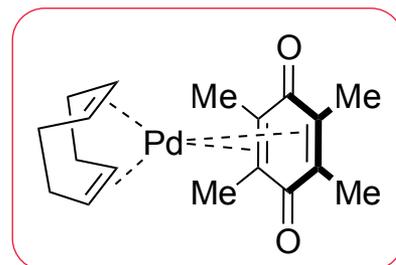


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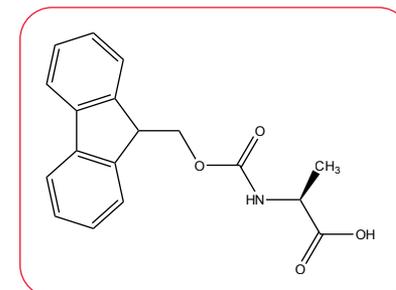


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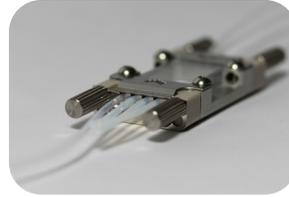
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3. SELECT FORMULATION



By: drug type, particle size, delivery vehicle, carrier material

NanoFabTx™ formulation screening kits or lipid mixes

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1. SYNTHESIZE



Using step-by-step protocols

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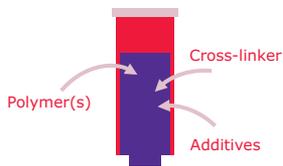
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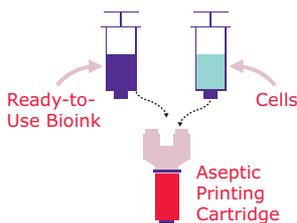


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- *Collagen*

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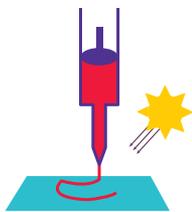
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