



Mining for Chemistry in Text and Images. A Real-World Example revealing the Challenge, Scope, Limitation and Usability of the current Technology

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Paracetamol Connection Table

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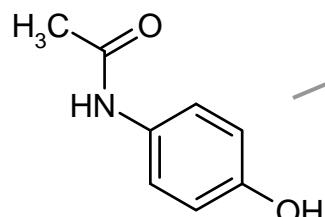
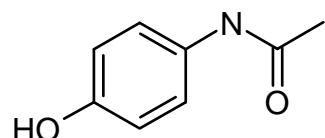
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Panadol

Paralief

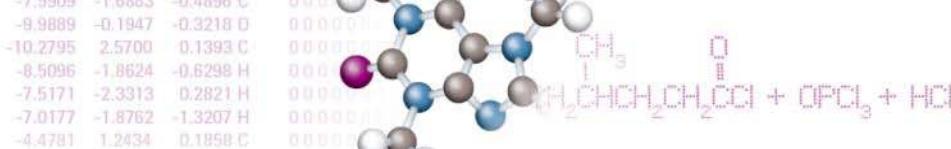
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CAS Nr.: 103-90-2

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Conventional Database Building: Concept

Print
Version



Manual
Abstraction

Connection Tables

LOCALRX Demonstration Reaction Database	
No. Catalyst Symbol(s)	EC 3 T T S
Symbol	product
Product Symbols	[111]
No. % Product Yield(s)	1
1	2
No. Solvent Symbol(s)	
Intermediates (including reaction procedures for option)	
Step	Path:
1	Exreg: 92011941 Record: 5 Variation: 5 MDLNumber: RAC92000009

Structure / Reaction
Database Building

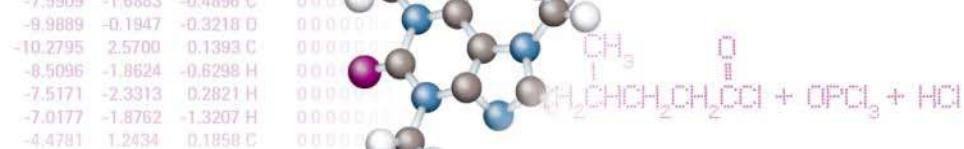
- Structures/RXN
- Factual Data
- Catalysts
- Solvents

Advantages

- ✓ High quality
- ✓ Currently no alternative

Disadvantages

- ✗ Time-consuming, Time-gap
- ✗ Not-comprehensive patent extraction
- ✗ Legacy data extraction not affordable
- ✗ High costs:
 - 5-7 USD per reaction (depending on source)
 - 2,5-4 USD per structure (depending on source)



Mining for Chemistry in Text and Images

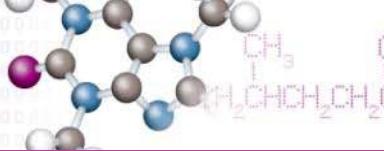
- Chemical Named Entity Recognition (NER):
 - Automatic identification of chemical names in text documents
 - Generation of connection table
- Image Recognition (IR):
 - Images of chemical structures in text are not computer searchable
 - IR enables generation of computer readable structures
- Mining for Chemistry goal:
 - Automatic generation of structure and reaction databases

Activities in the Area of Chemical Mining

- Chemical Named Entity Recognition:
 - Oscar (Corbett, Murray-Rust, Teufel et al.)
 - Chemical Entity Relationships Skill Cartridge for Luxid (Temis)
 - SureChem (former ReelTwo)
 - ChemBrowser (IBM / InfoChem)
 - ICANNOTATOR (InfoChem)
 - ...
- Image Recognition:
 - chemoCR (Fraunhofer SCAI / InfoChem)
 - CLiDE Pro (Keymodule Ltd.)
 - OSRA (NIH)
 - ...
- Pilot project InfoChem / SCAI:
 - Status of some of the technologies used in these areas



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H₃C

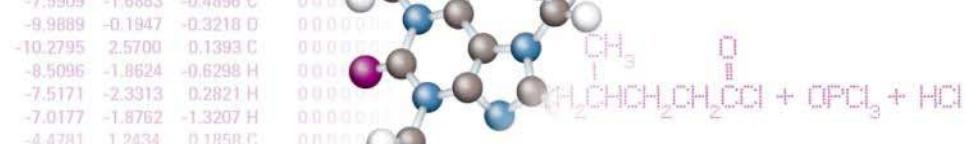
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H₂CH₂CH₂CCl₂+ OPt₂ + HCl

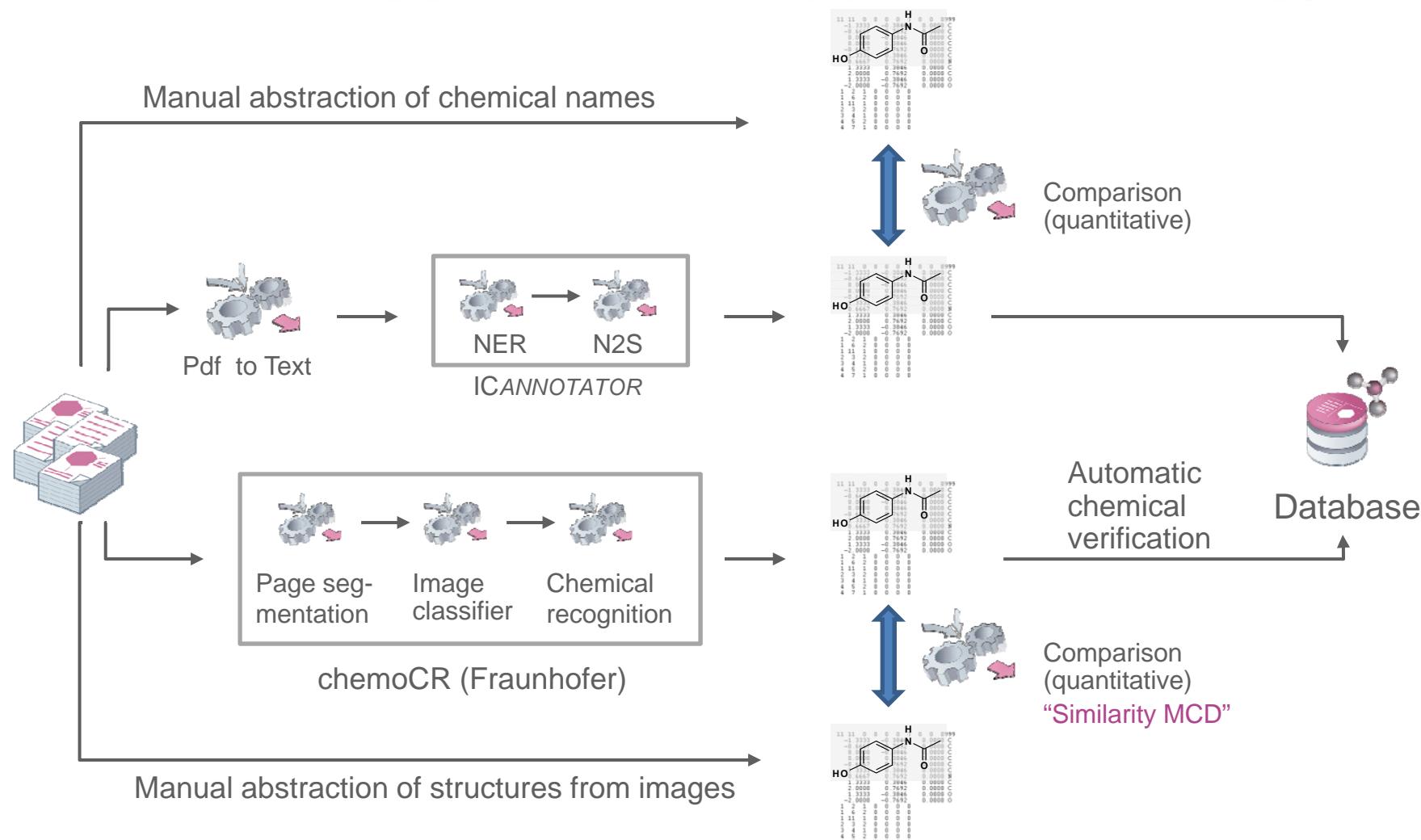
Our Real-World Example

Pilot project with highly heterogeneous source set:

- Sample set: 15 titles (journals, book series)
 - contains chemical compounds in text and images
 - covers different areas of chemistry
 - diverse source formats (scanned, text, pdfs, etc.)
- Aim of project: Proof of concept on sample set
 - Assessment of results and quality



Overview of Approach and Applied Technology



Selection of Sample Set

- Sources: 15 titles covering time period 2000-2008
 - 10 journals
 - 5 book series
- Definition of random subset:
 - 10 articles of each title equally distributed over the time period
 - 3 pages equally distributed over every article are processed
- Total: 450 pages containing text and images



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Challenges NER: Scanned Documents

- Visible and extracted text not identical

The structure of the only representatives of unsymmetrical 3,4'- and 4,5-disubstituted 2,2'-bithiophenes 3,4'-dibromo-2,2'-bithiophene (**17**) [29] and 4-(2-thienyl)-5-phenyl-2,2'-bithiophene (**18**) [30] was determined. In the molecule of the first compound slight deviation from planarity is observed, and as a result the torsion angle S₍₁₎-C₍₂₎-C_(2')-S_(1') is 175.0°. The bond lengths and the angles of the heterocycle are comparable with the values determined for the other bithiophenes. The heterocycles in the 2,2'-bithiophene fragment of compound **18** are

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Challenges NER: „Native“ pdf

- Visible and extracted text not identical

1. Greek letters and apostrophes:

[7 α ,8 α ,3',4']-N'-(Phenyl)succinimido-6,14-*endo*-etheno-6,7,8,14-tetrahydrothebaine (VI) was synthesized using the method described in [16];

PdfToText results:

[7a,8a,3¢,4¢]-N¢-(Phenyl)succinimido-6,14-*endo*-etheno....

2. Notes, indexes:

^a4-Azochromotropic acid pentylfluorone

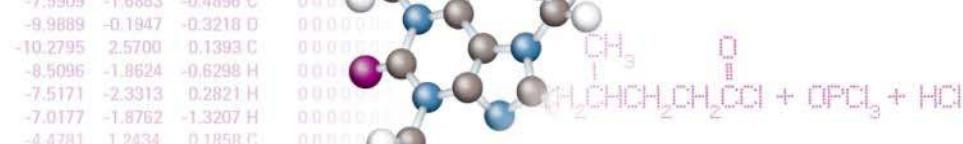
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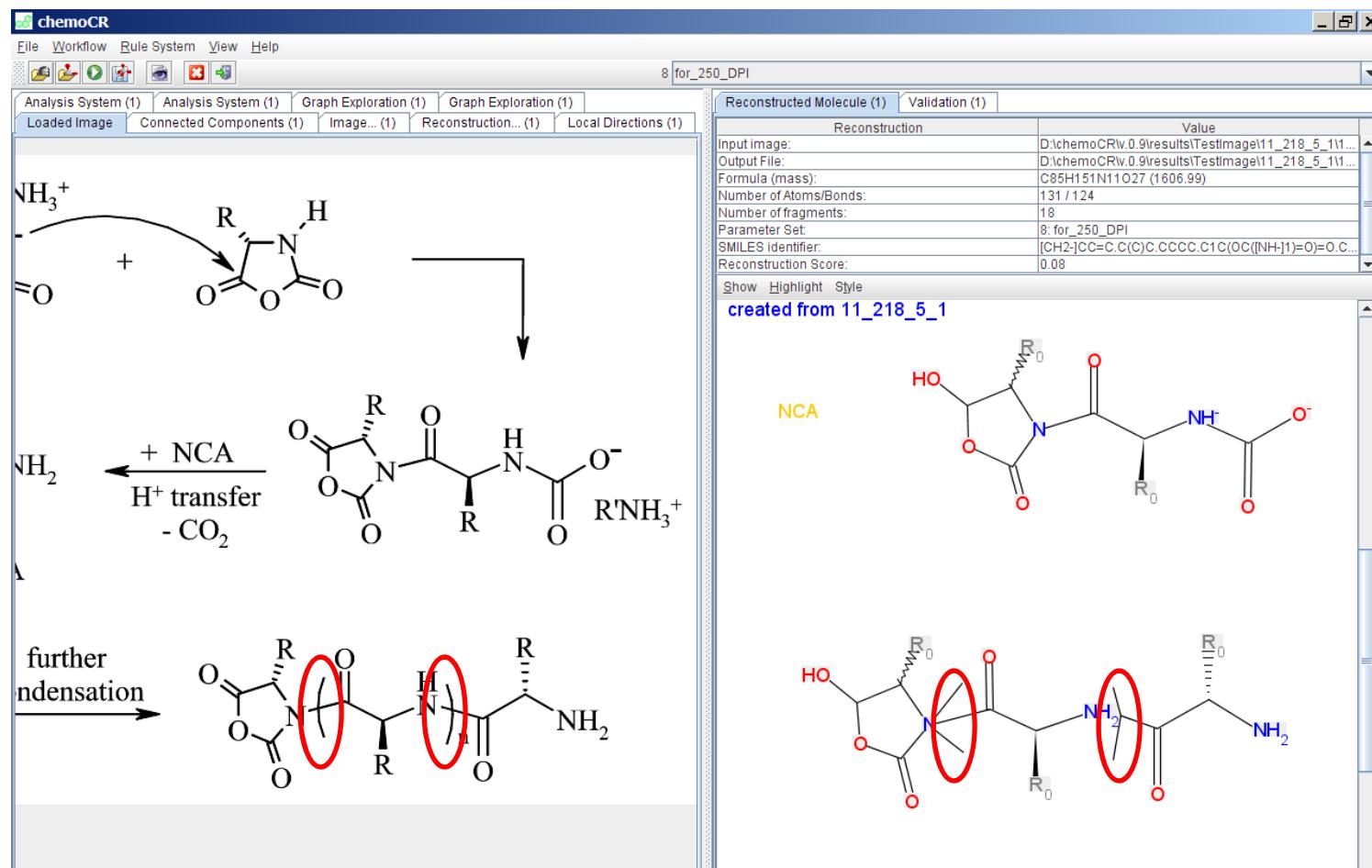
More Challenges NER

- Misspelled names (typing errors in original document)
- Errors introduced by N2S conversion tools
- Incomplete and erroneous dictionaries
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Challenges Image Recognition (1)

- Brackets are converted into bonds:

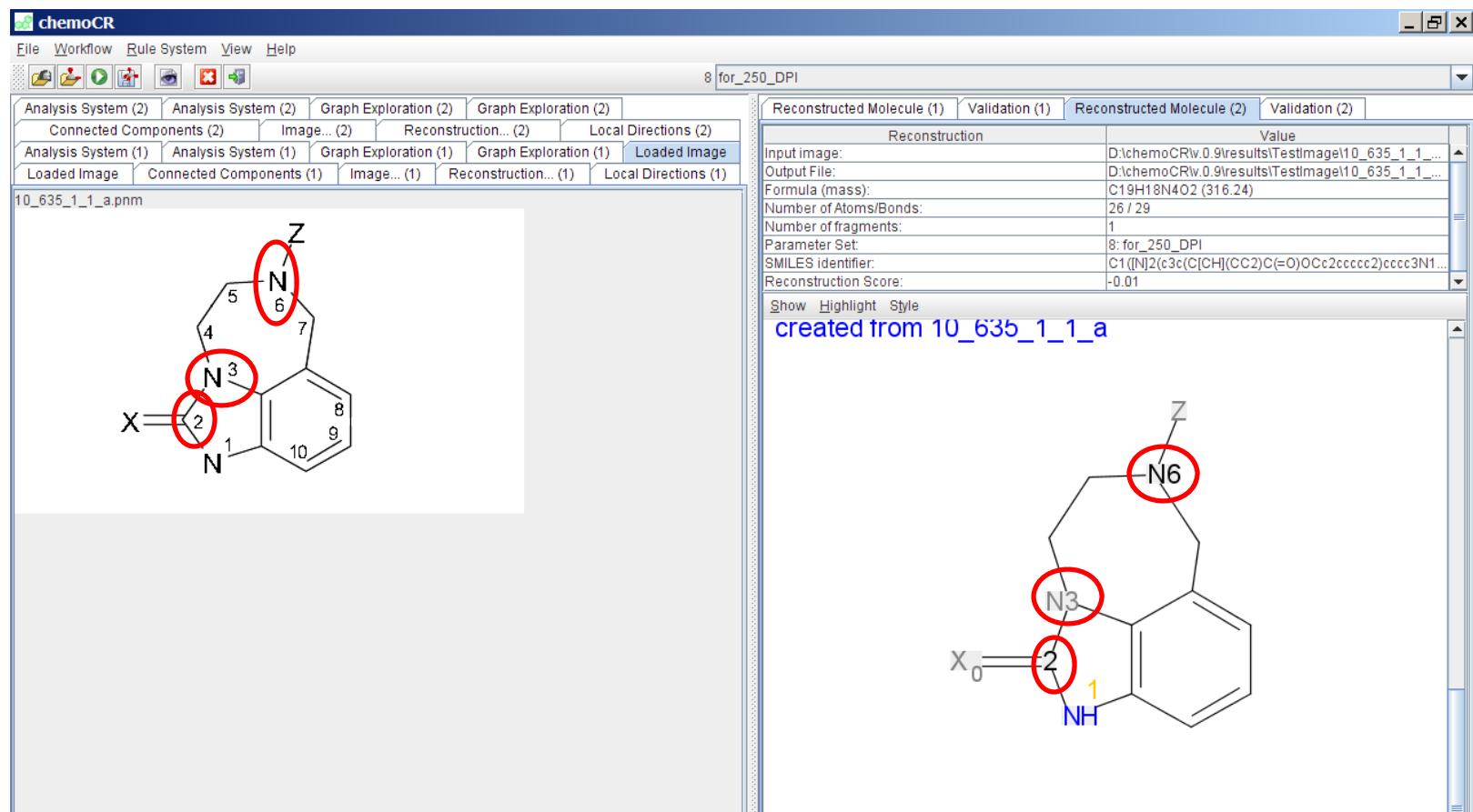


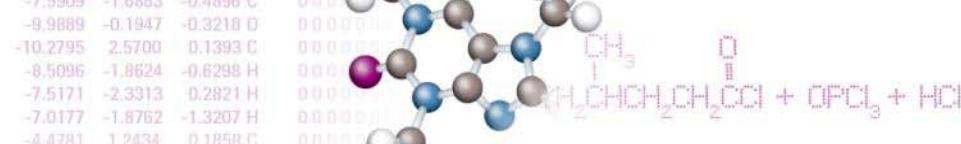


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0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 CH₃
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Challenges Image Recognition (2)

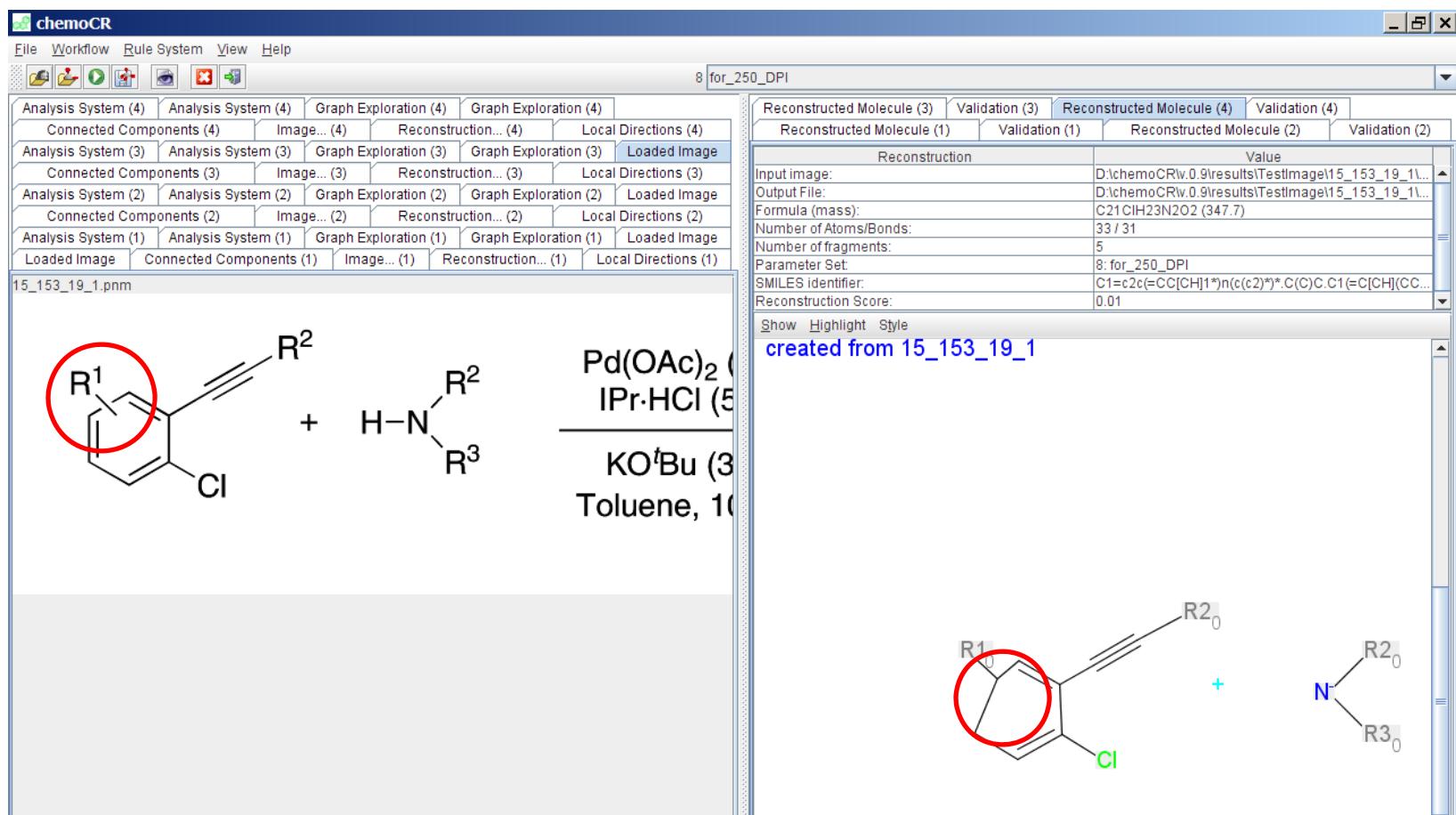
- Atom numbers in ring are recognized as part of the structure:

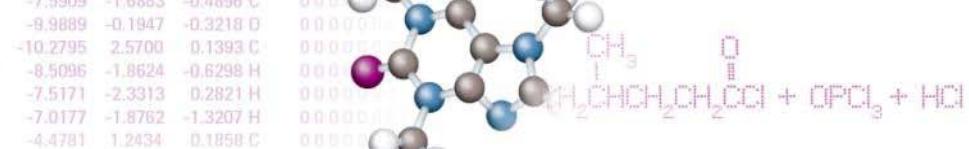




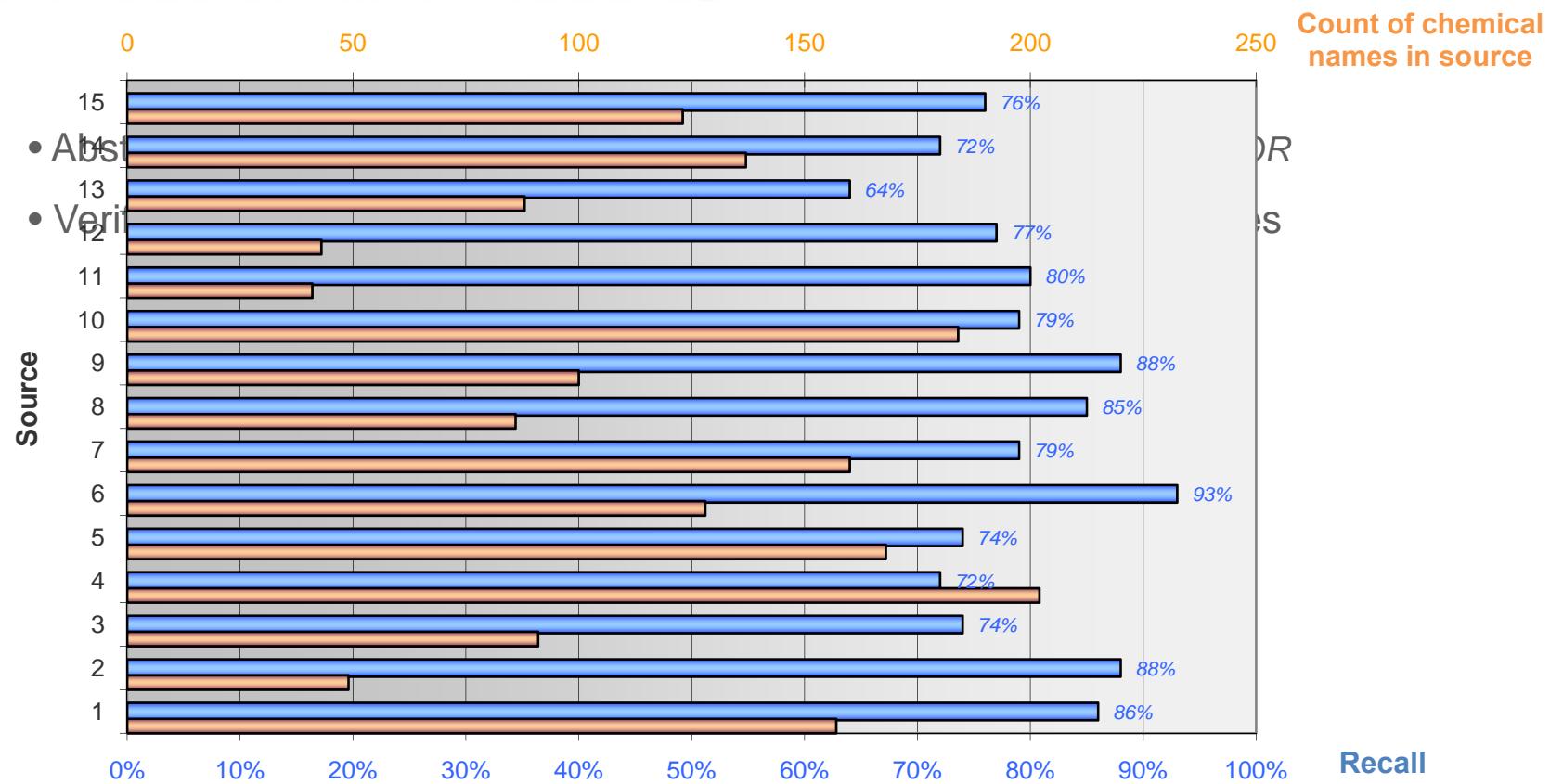
Challenges Image Recognition (3)

- Variable point of attachment bonds are not recognized:

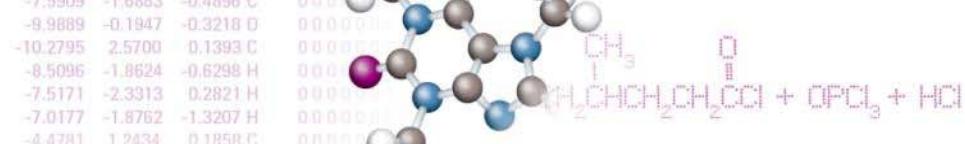




Verification and Results NER

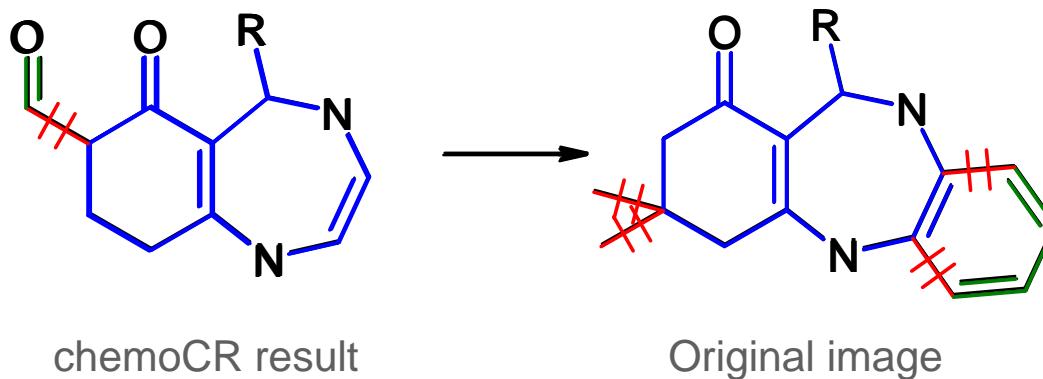


Recall	Precision	F-score
79%	69%	73%



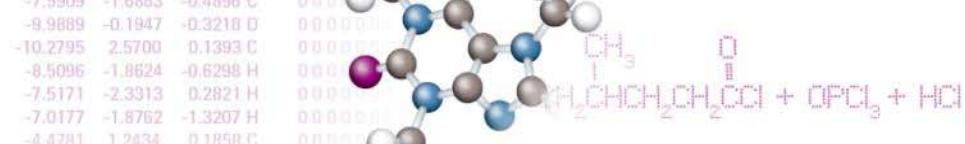
Verification Image Recognition: SimilarityMCD

- Rating method used to compare manually and automatically abstracted chemical structures
- Basic idea is to rate the chemical difference of the two compared molecules



MCD = breaking a minimum number of bonds in the reactant and making a minimum number of bonds in the product

- The identical parts and different parts of the two compared structures are rated in a percent value from 0% to 100% based on the Largest Common Subgraph (LCS) and the Minimum Chemical Distance (MCD)



Verification Image Recognition: Rating

- All bonds of the two molecules get different ratings for single, double and triple bonds, for C-C and C-hetero atoms bonds, depending on bond stability

$$\text{SimilarityMCD}(\text{Mol1}, \text{Mol2}) = \frac{\text{Mapped Value}}{\text{Total Value}} \times 100 [\%]$$

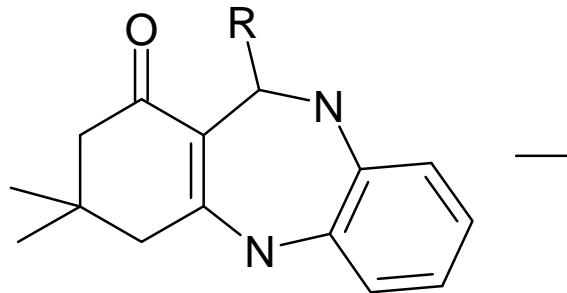
“Mapped Value”

= Σ of ratings for mapped bonds and atoms

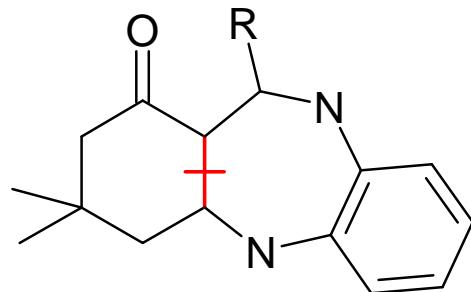
“Total Value” (per definition 100% rating)

= Σ of all bond ratings of the two compared molecules

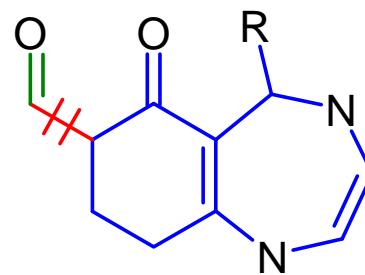
Verification Image Recognition: Examples



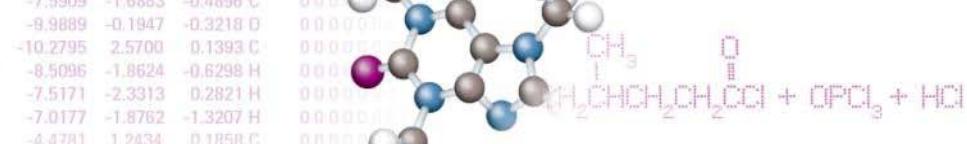
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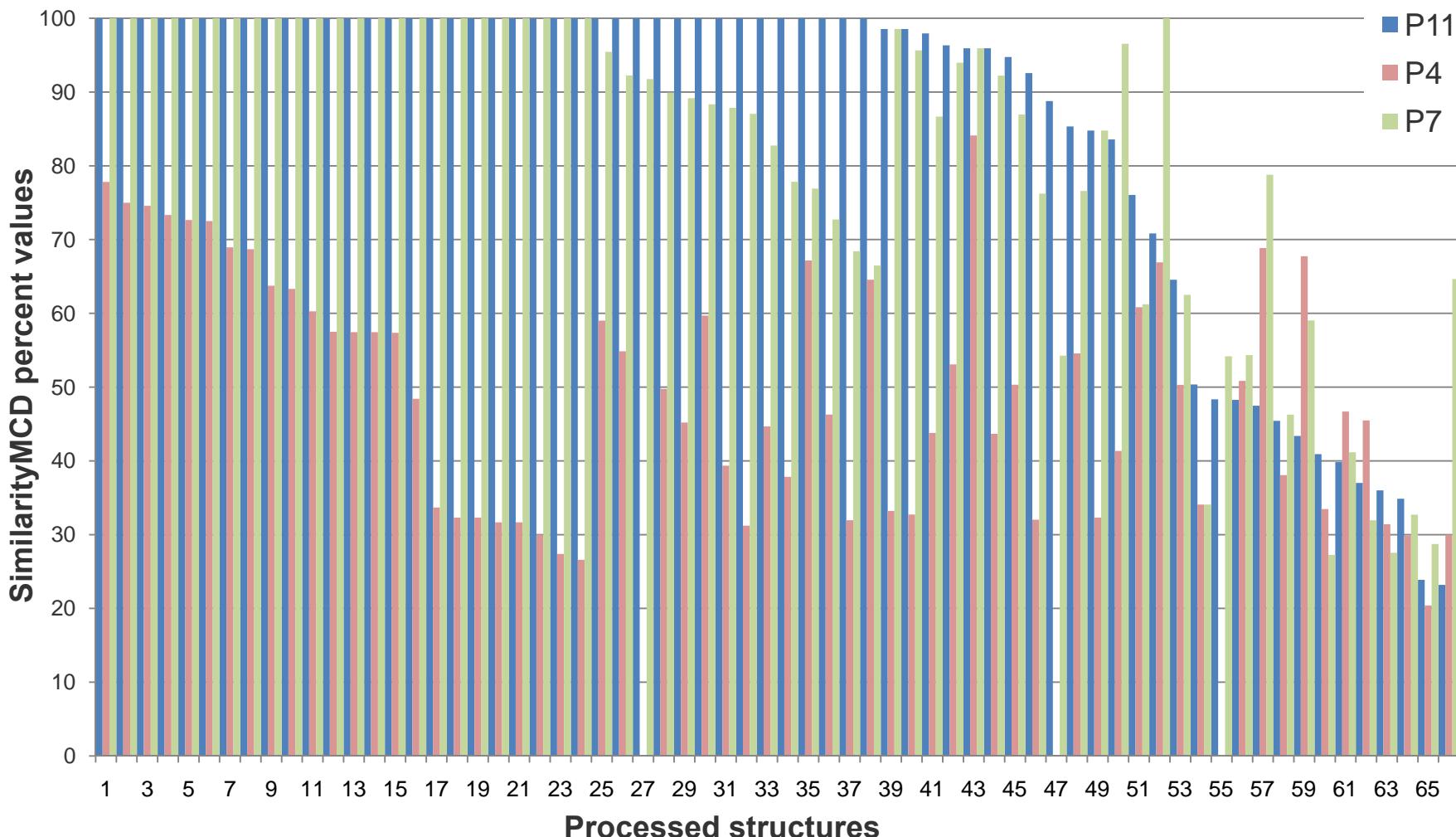
97.73%



57.97%

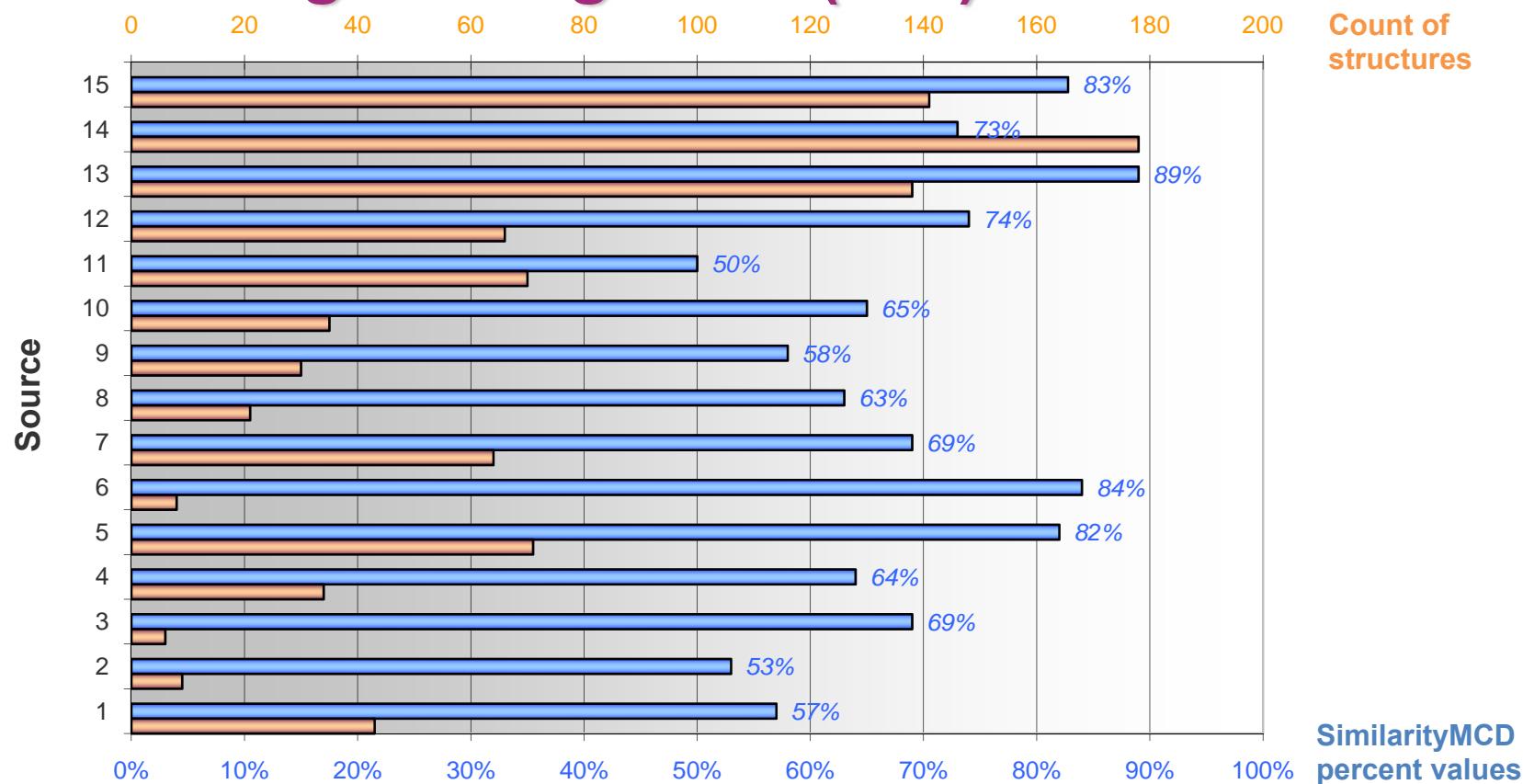


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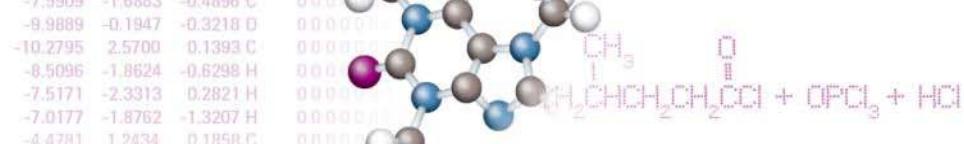




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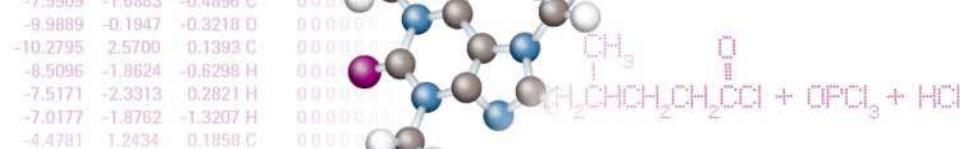


Overall SimilarityMCD	All Sources 100% Match	Best Source 100% Match
72%	33%	58%



Conclusions

- Using a highly heterogeneous sample set from a real world example we have:
 - illustrated the challenges of chemical NER and image recognition
 - demonstrated with a quantitative comparison the quality of ICANNOTATOR
 - explained how the SimilarityMCD algorithm enables quantitative comparison and can be used to optimize chemoCR parameter sets
- We have achieved up to 93% recall for text and up to 58% exactly recognized structures
- All components are in the process of further development



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