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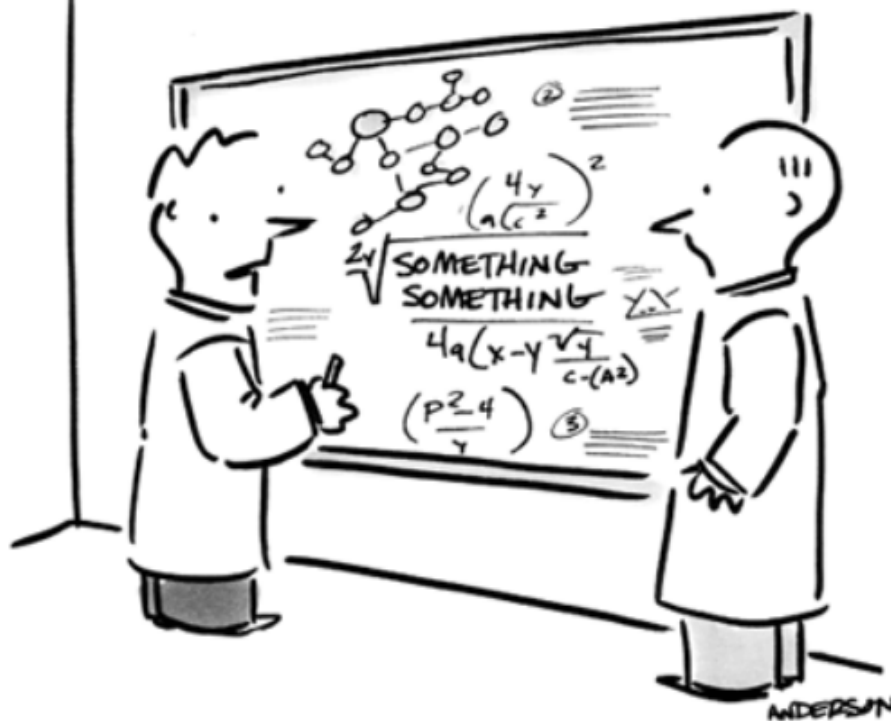
CAS substance matching technologies

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NIH meeting on IUPAC/InChI

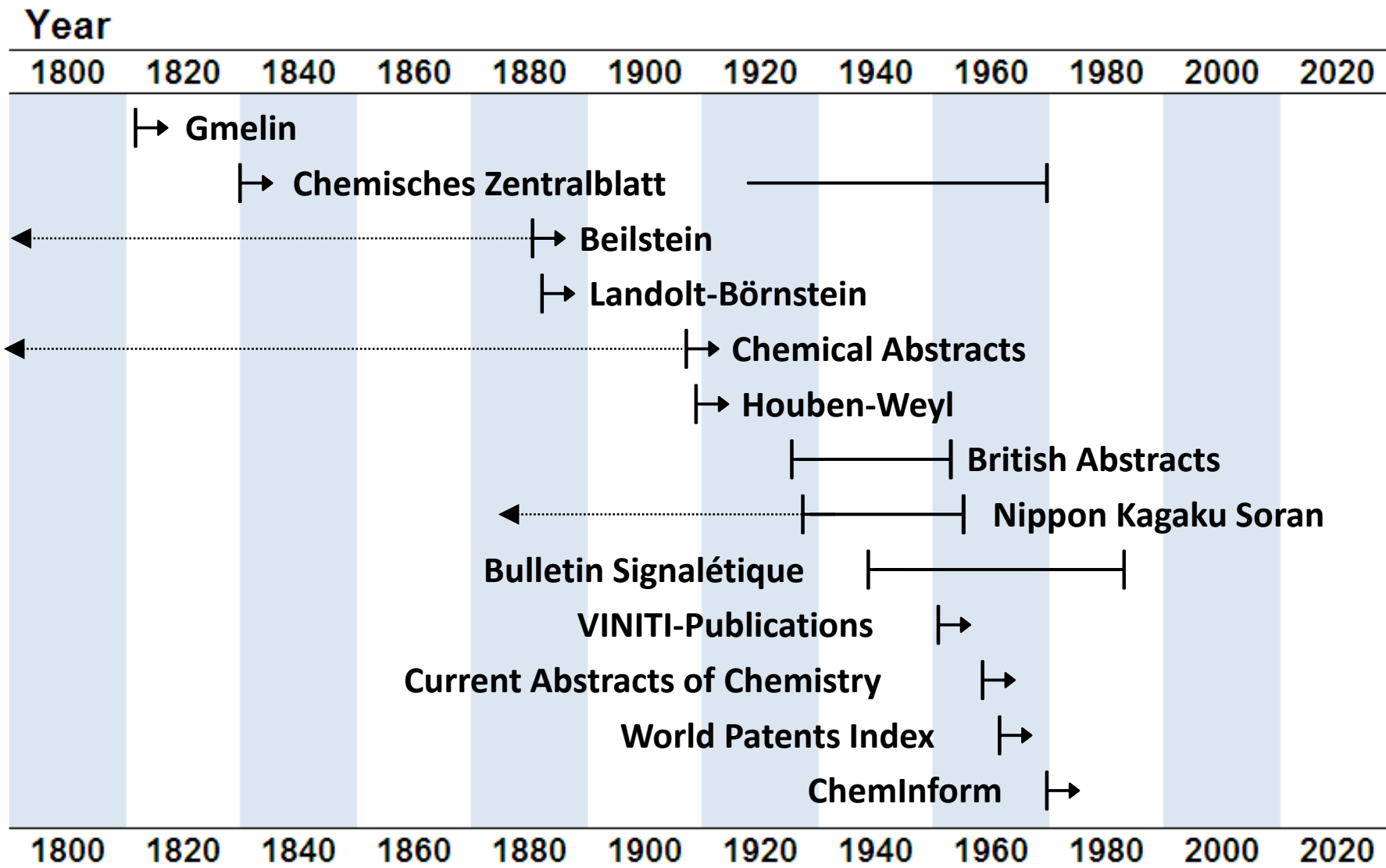
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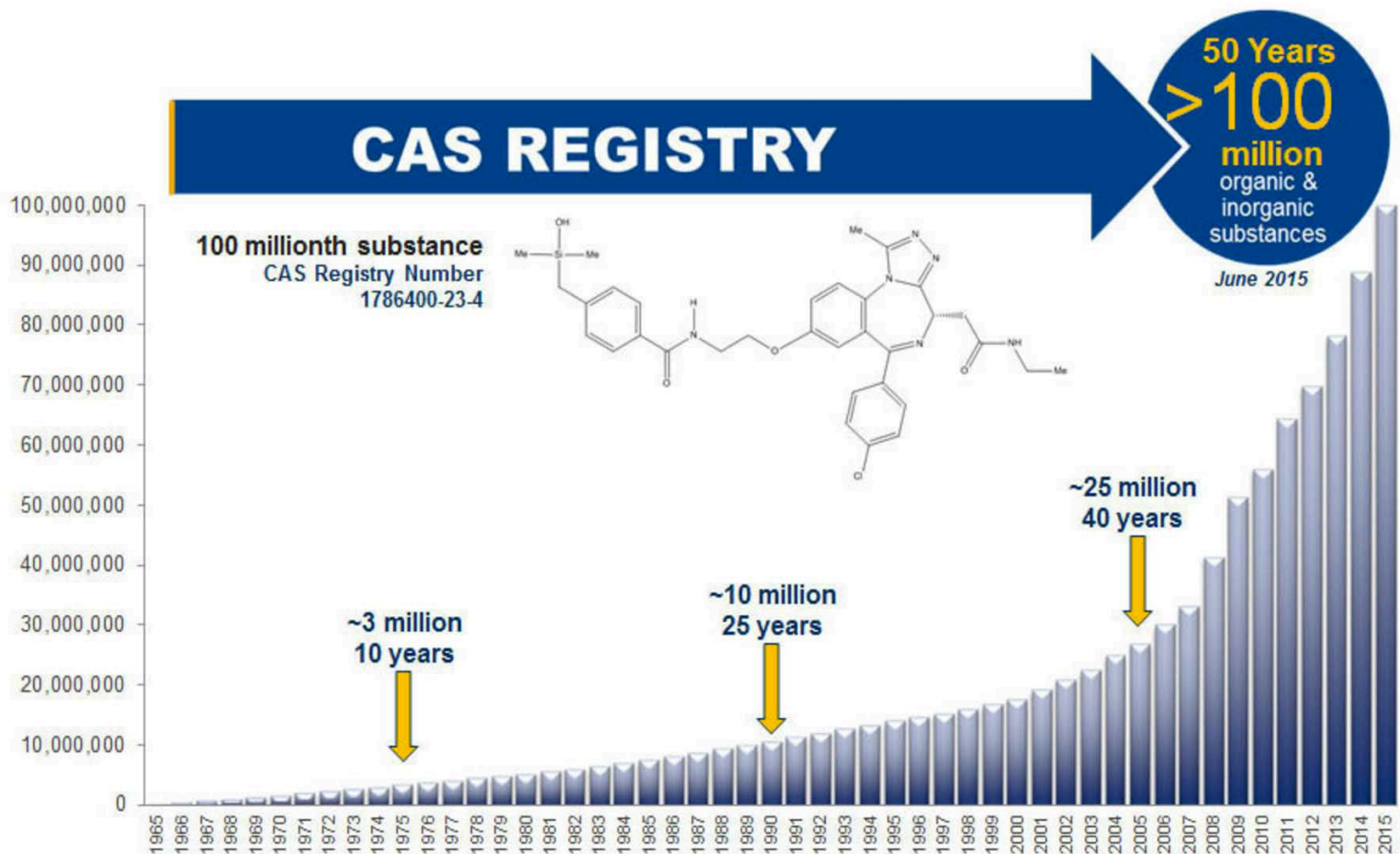
"It's an inexact science."

Historical Chemical Information – Secondary Literature

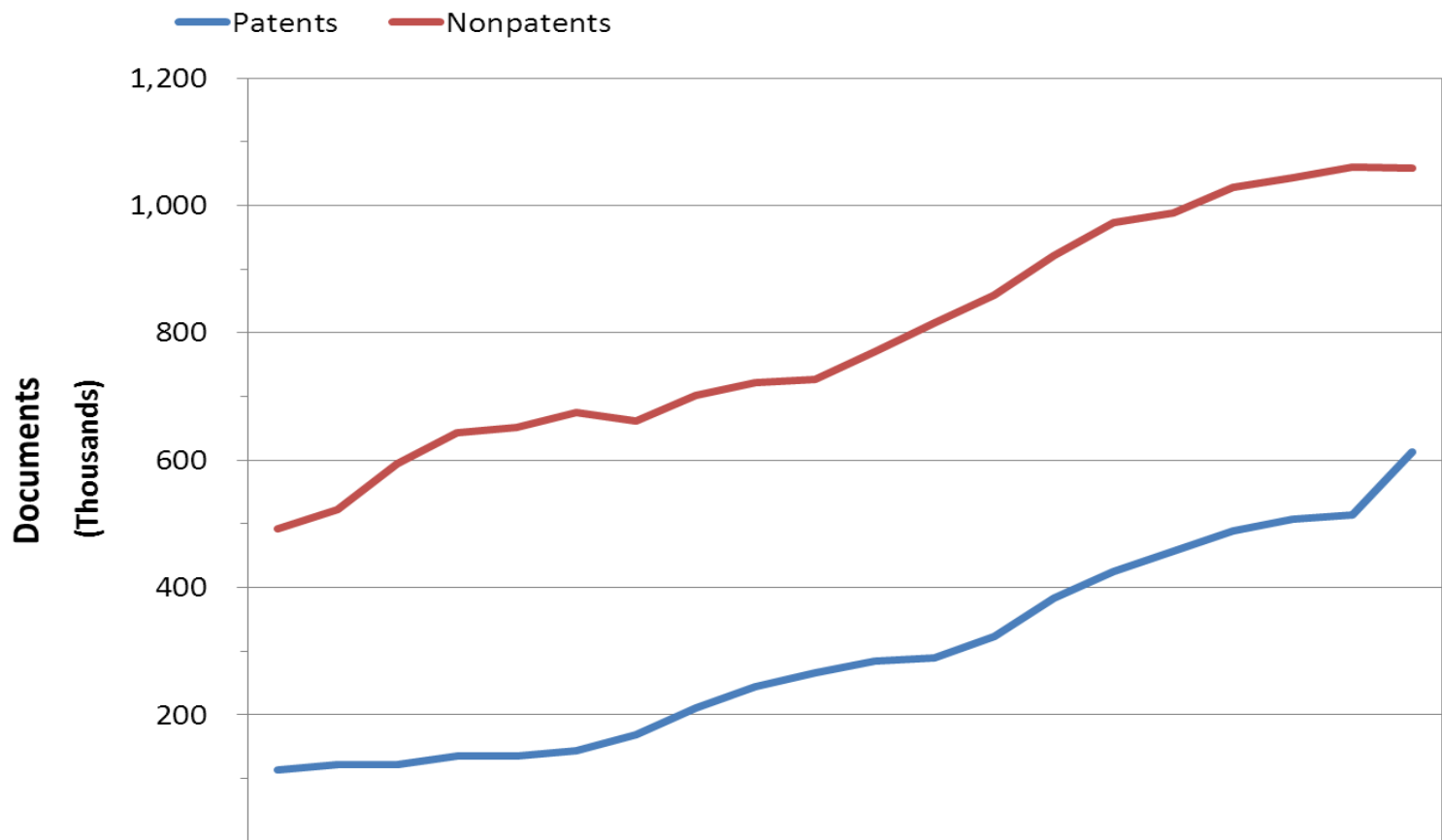


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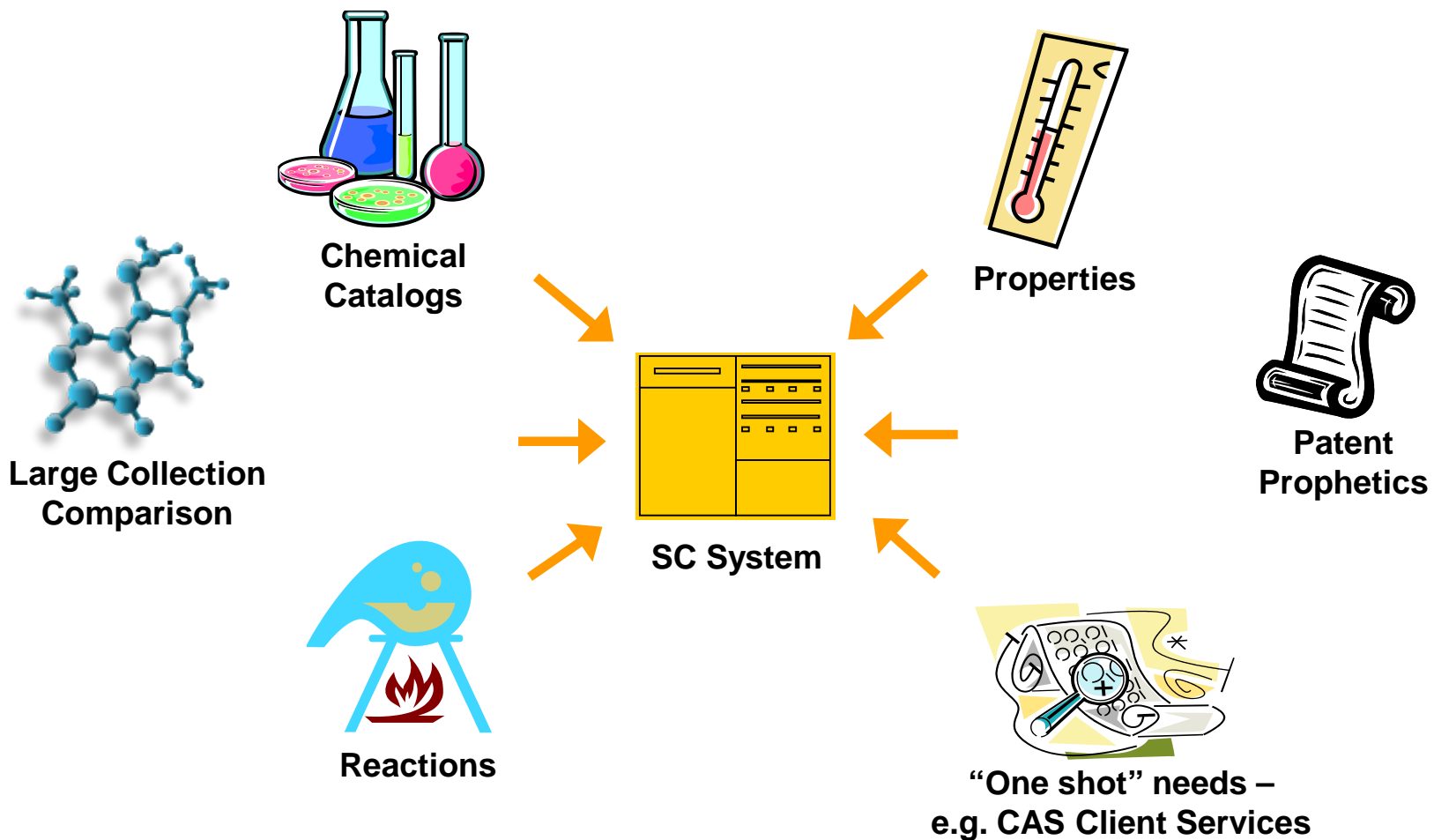
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Shared Substance Collection Systems



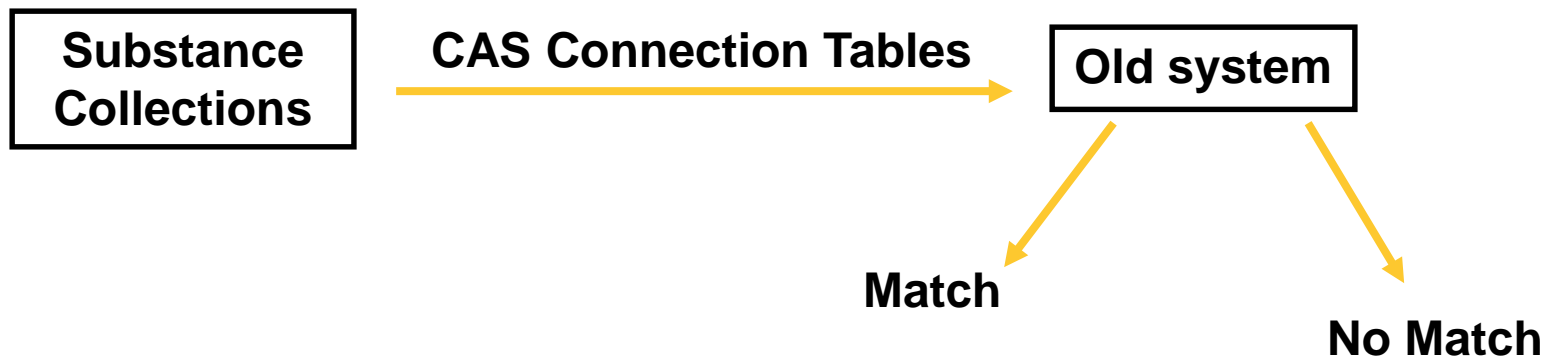
A project to create a new chemistry identification technology for CAS

Start with some history....

1. CAS perfected the connection table as a unique molecular representation for CAS Registry beginning in the 1960s.
2. CAS Online structure search of Registry in the early 1980s demonstrated the insight and time savings of searching connection tables.
3. Other molecular representations developed in the 1980s, 1990s, and 2000s and were used to build some private or public substance collections.
4. The Substance Collection project created, beginning in 2006, CAS technology that enables other molecular representations to be compared to CAS's substance connection tables...like a translation.



Prior to 2006, large datasets could not be processed quickly or efficiently



Significant manual effort was needed

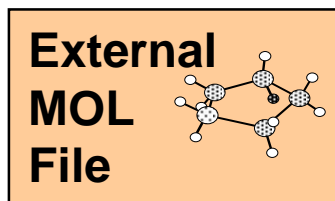
Computer matching and registration required CAS connection tables

System limits restricted the size of datasets that could be processed

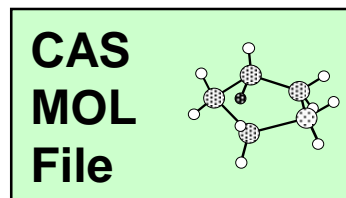
Substance Collection Project: Goals and Challenges

- Goal: Create technology to compare CAS' small molecule collection to large substance sets and to validate reputable/verifiable substances not in the CAS database
- Challenges:
 - **Compare CAS Substances to Large Substance Sets (millions of substances)**
 - **Automate** as much as possible
 - **Matching** different substance representations (“translation” required)
 - **Register reputable/verifiable substances** – establish rules
 - **Design and build software that can meet future needs** – shared substance services

Shared Substance Services provide: Substance Normalizing, Converting & Characterizing



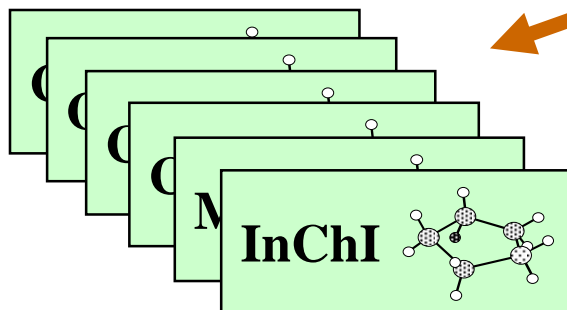
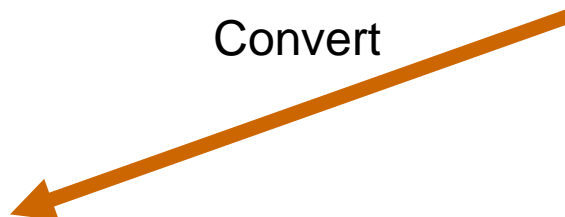
Normalize



Following conventions of
the external collection

Following CAS structuring
conventions (e.g. salts)

Convert



Six different structure
formats used at CAS

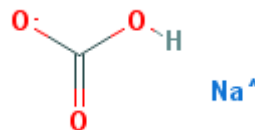
Characterize



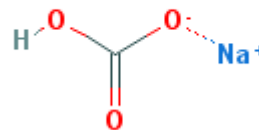
Flags indicating unusual structure
types that may need special
Chemist-Assisted processing
(e.g. charges)

Automated InChI matching reduces need for manual matching

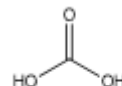
- The IUPAC International Chemical Identifier, [InChI](#), is a protocol for converting a chemical structure (such as a MOL file) to a **unique, unambiguous text string**.
- CAS enhances the input MOL file so that the resulting InChI follows CAS chemical conventions (such as stereo, charges, etc.) and thus improves hit rates



InChI=1S/CH2O3.Na/c2-1(3)4;/h(H2,2,3,4);/p-1



InChI=1S/CH2O3.Na/c2-1(3)4;/h(H2,2,3,4);/q;+1/p-1)



• Na

InChI=1/CH2O3.Na/c2-1(3)4;/h(H2,2,3,4)

For the substances that don't auto match, closest possible matches are grouped for review



ExtSubsMFC - [1]

File Options View Window Help

Order: 55163
Reviewer: saf26a

No Action
 No Hit - auto-registration
 No Hit - assisted registration
 Mark for Expert Review
 Matches found
 Reject Substance

Commit

Num	Hits	Hit	ID
1	5	1	

Record Number: 1 Substance ID: 1

Hits: 5

RN: 301669-12-5 MF: C6 H13 N . H CN: Piperidine, 2-methyl-, conjugate acid (9CI)

• H⁺

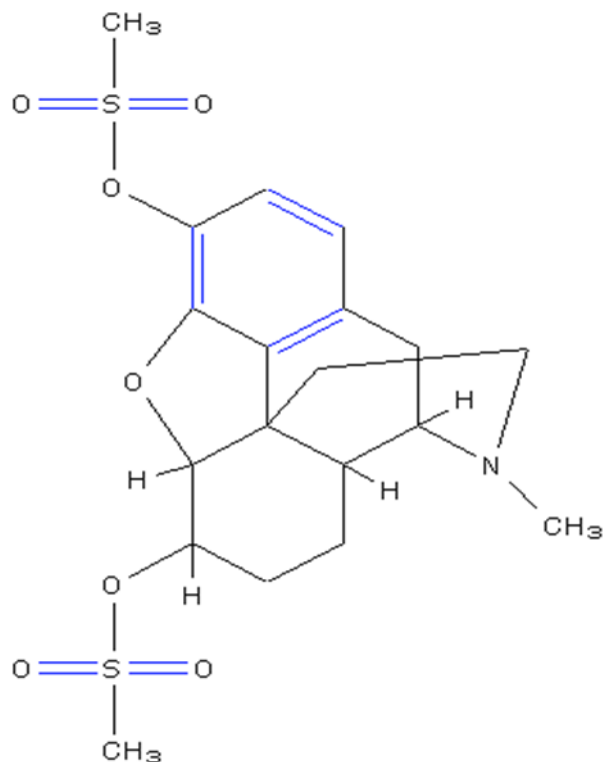
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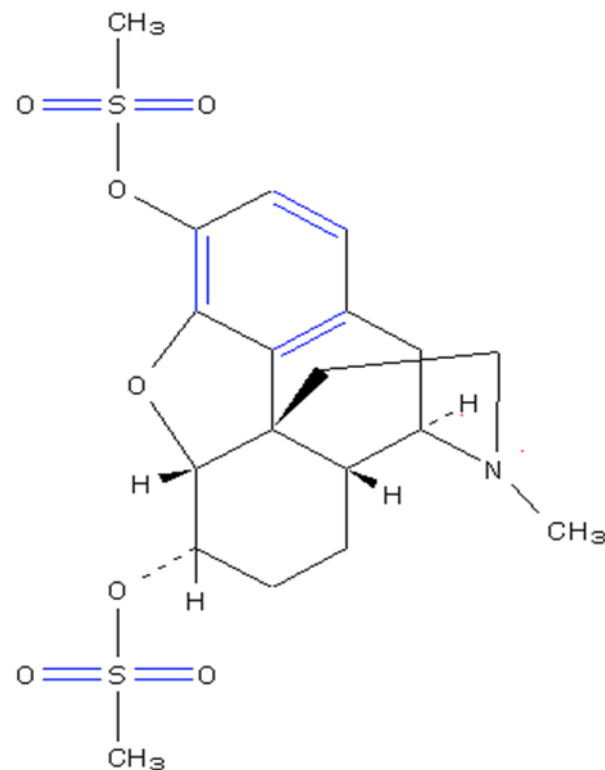
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Assisted Chemist Review - Illustration

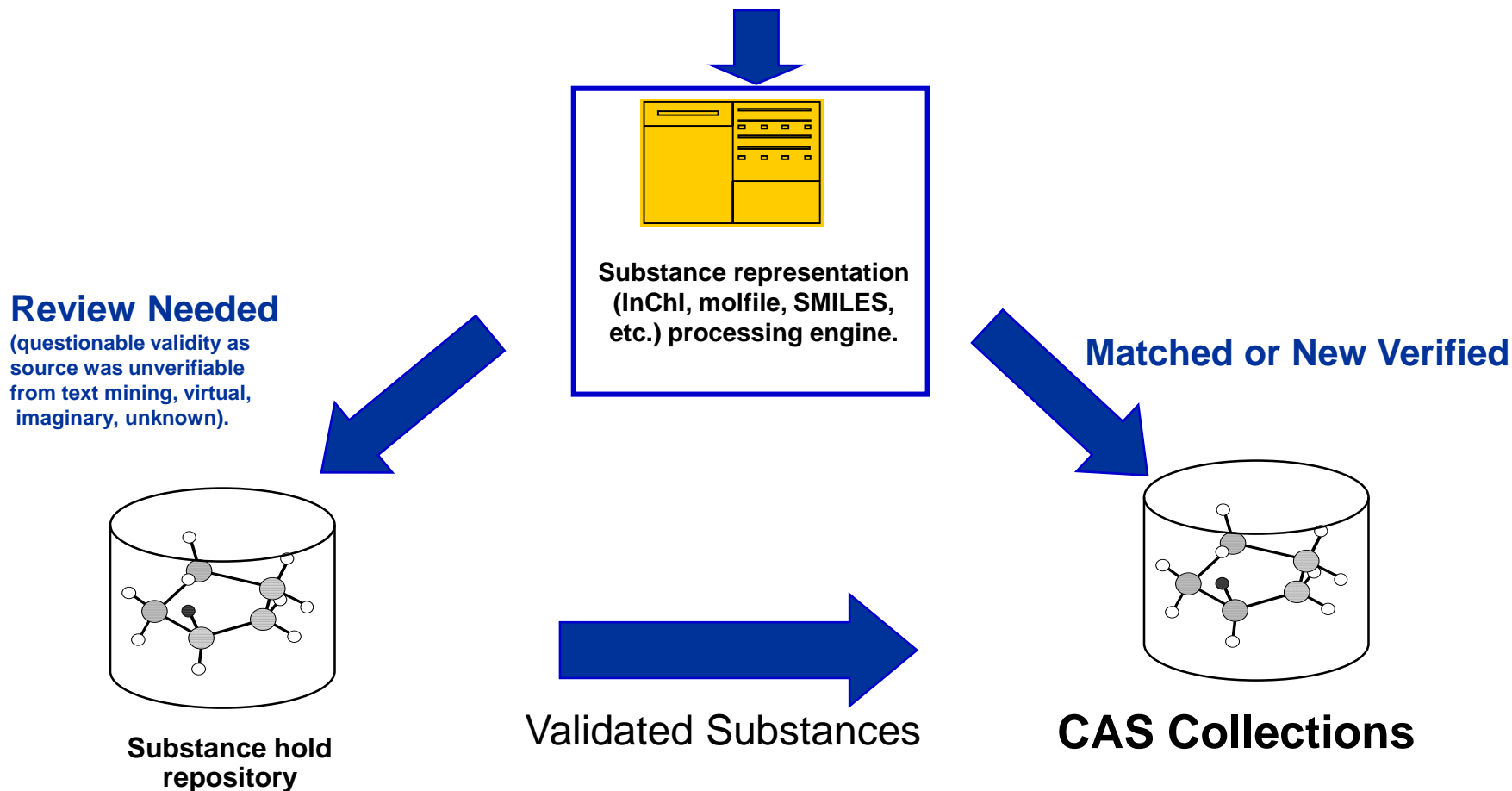
- Molecular representation of a morphine derivative is incomplete: Stereochemical information is missing on 5 atoms



- Chemist-Assisted Process adds the missing stereochemical information



Outside collections are thoroughly reviewed and eligible substances captured



CAS substance collection technology provides...

- Ability to compare and analyze substance databases vs. CAS's collections
- Automated ability to handle and qualify new sources of substance information from collections
- Faster and more complete matching via
 - InChI, SMILES, molfile
 - Automation of many formerly manual steps
- Foundation software for other substance efforts
 - **e.g.** Matching substances in purchased chemical properties databases

Thank you
Questions?

