

Benign by Design

Session 6: Sustainability from the beginning – the pharmaceutical example

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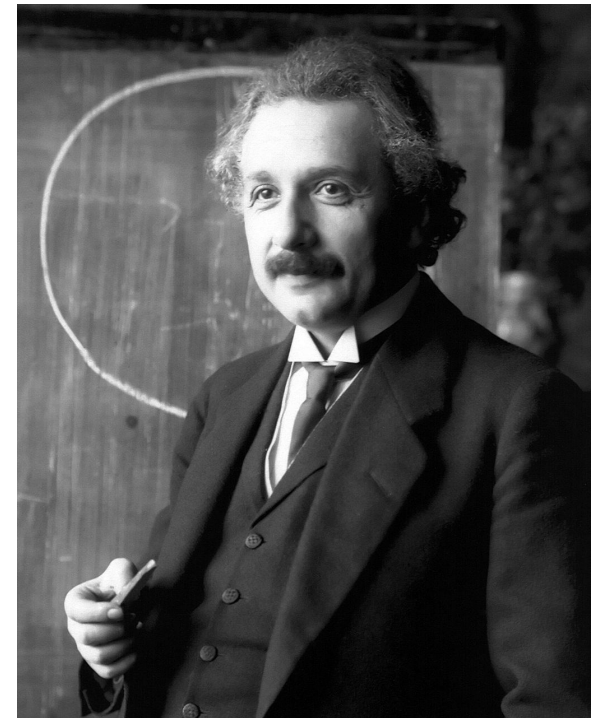
„Emerging“ Contaminants

- Myriads of parent compounds
- Multiplied by even more transformation products (in even lower concentration)
- Multiplied by numerous environmental matrices, locations and points in time
- Multiplied by numerous tests with even more endpoints and parameters

Risk assessment impossible !

**A smart person solves a
problem.**

A wise person avoids it.



Attributed to Albert Einstein

The Problem

Persistence !

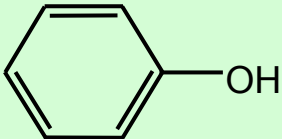
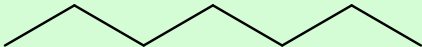
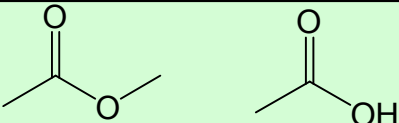
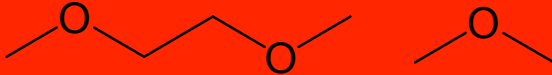
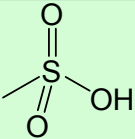
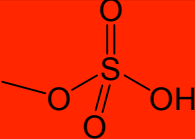
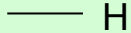
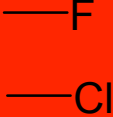
Biodegradability of Pharmaceuticals in the Aquatic Environment (in %)

API	OECD 301 D	OECD 301 F	OECD 302 B
Valproic acid	72	78	
Mesalazin	> 90	> 90	
Acetylsalicylic acid		81	
Penicillin V			> 90
Piracetam		> 90	> 90
Hydroxamic acid	50	90	

 Kümmerer and co-workers, unpublished

Impact on Biodegradability in the Aquatic Environment

Rules of Thumb

favorable	less favorable
	
	
	
	
	
	



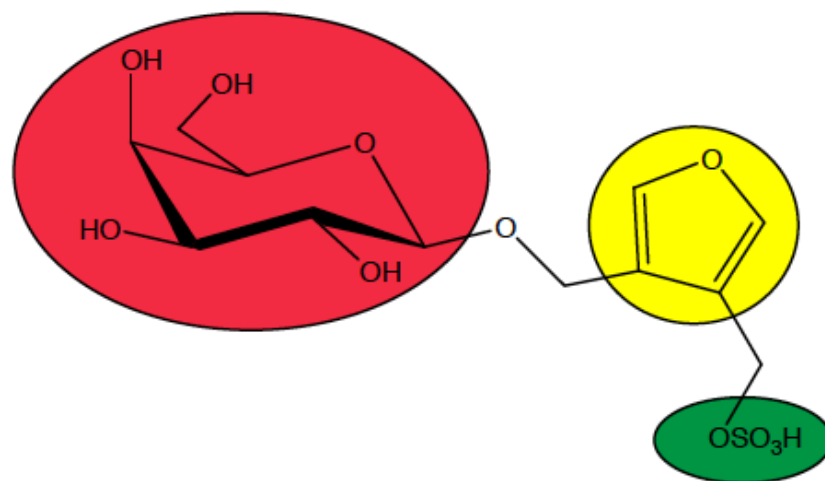
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De Novo Synthesis

(1) Targeted Structure Variation



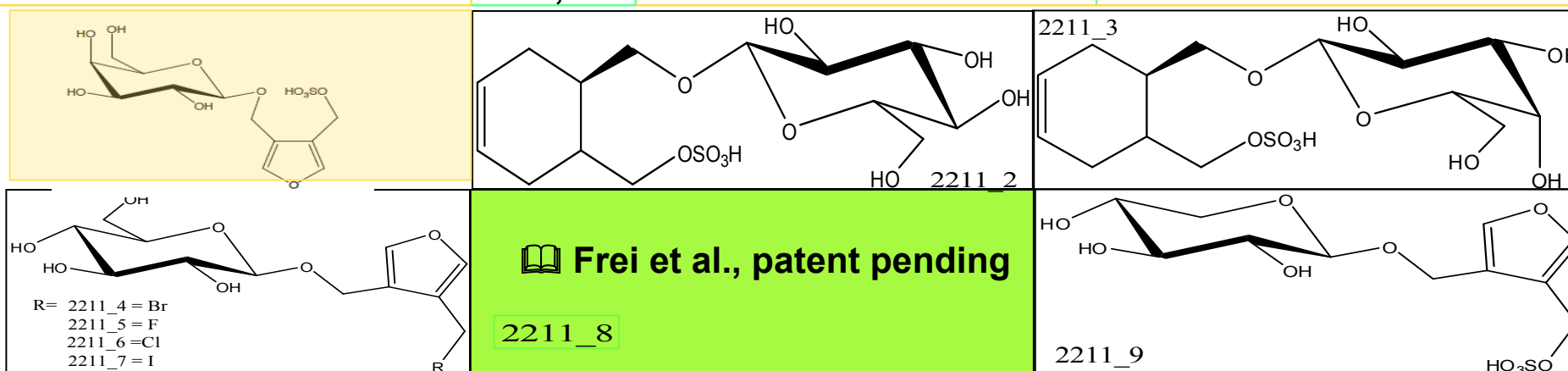
Goal: Improved Efficacy and biodegradability in the environment

- **Improved by variation of the sugar?**
- **Improved by variation of substituents at the furan ring?**
- **Improved by variation of the aromatic ring?**

📖 Kümmerer K, Frei E, Marano G, in preparation

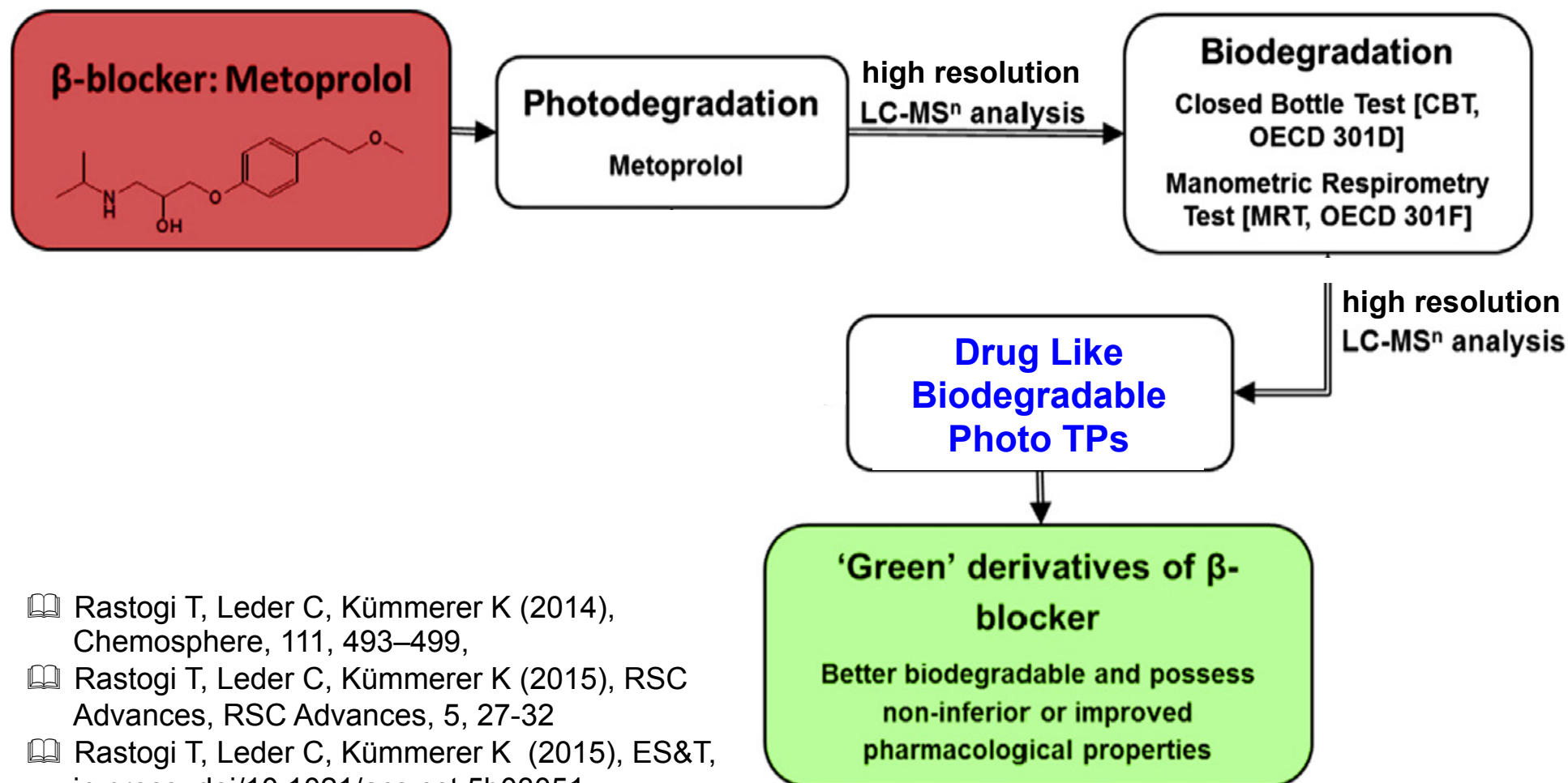
Improved Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient

Structure ID	Log Kow	Effect threshold (rel. units)	Biodegradation[%]
GSF	-2,1	1	19
2211_2 (Glu ,Cyclohex)	-1,8	> 1	37
2211_3 (Gal, Cyclohex)	-1,8	> 1	37
2211_4 (Glu-Br)	-0,5	> 1	14
2211_5 (Glu-F)	-0,9	> 1	14
2211_6 (Glu-Cl)	-0,7	> 1	14
2211_7 (Glu-I)	-0,5	> 1	14
2211_8	-2,0	<0,01	54
2211_9 (Desoxyglu)	-1,5	> 1	31



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Re-Design

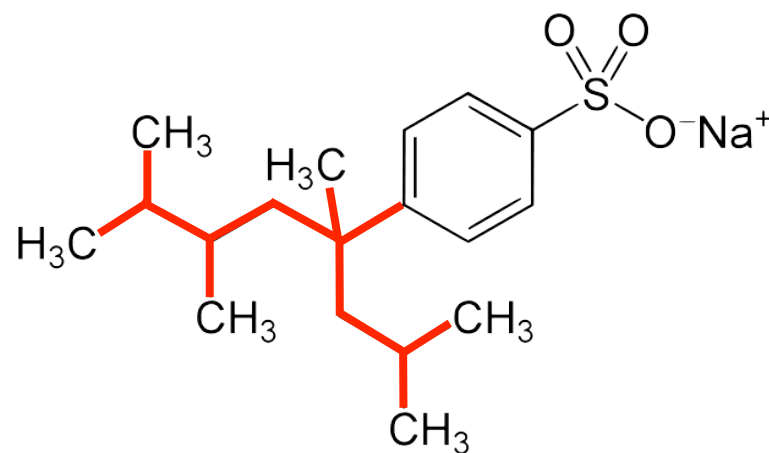


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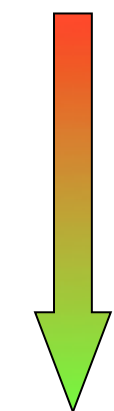
Biologische Abbaubarkeit

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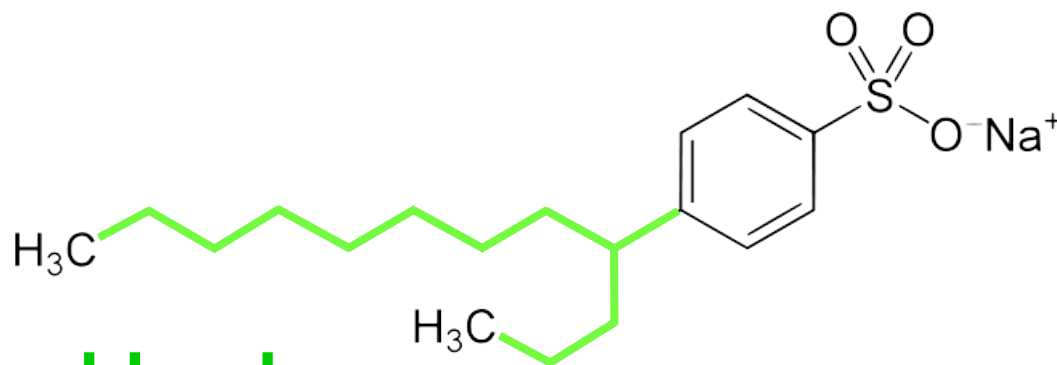
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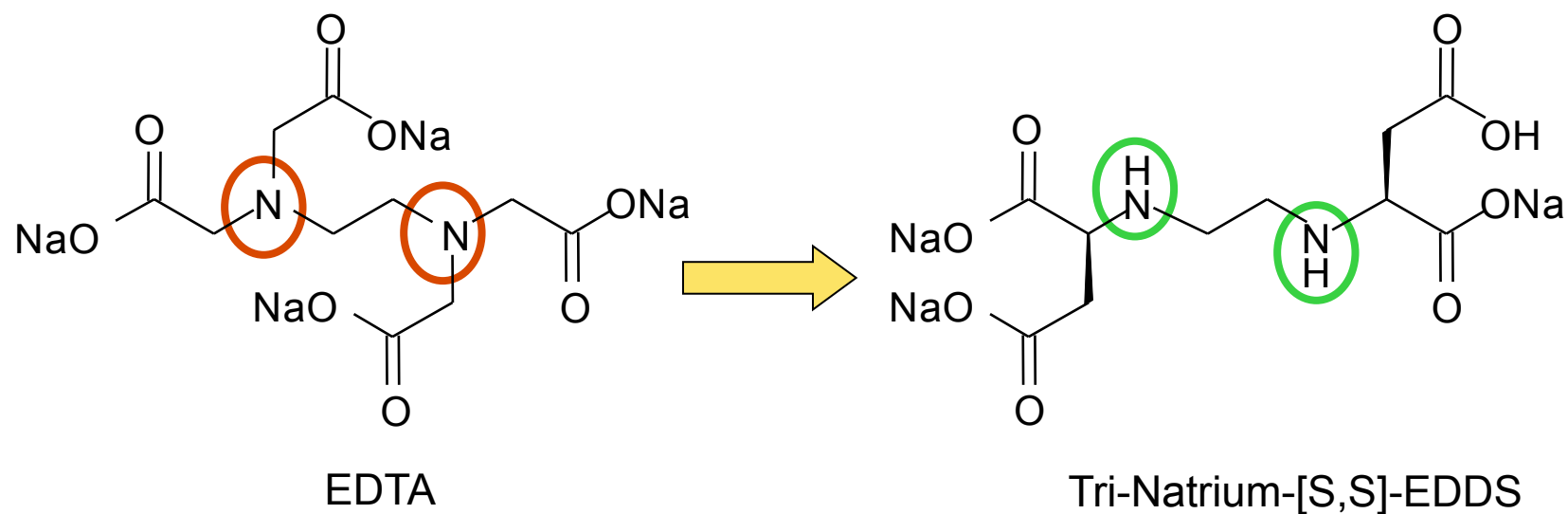
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Gezielte Verbesserung Komplexbildner EDTA vs. S,S-EDDS



Dixon N. 2004 (<http://www.euconferences.com/chemicalsmanagement04/day2presentations.htm>)

Carrots

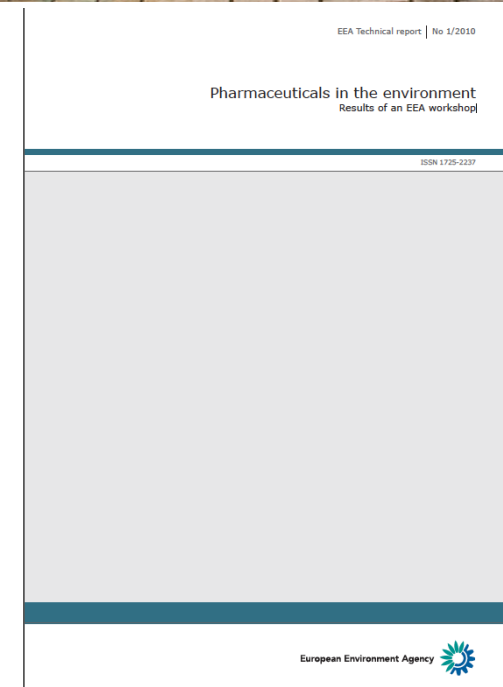
- New business case
- Prolonged patent life-time
- Fast track authorization
- Precautionary principle (subset of arguments)
- Important contribution to CSR
- Increased reputation



 US- Department of Agriculture

... and Sticks

- EMA: Revision of EMEA guideline (EU Parliament)?
- EEA Report 1/2010:
„Pharmaceuticals in the Environment“
- Legislation (e.g. EU Water Framework Directive)
- U.S. Senate Hearing
- The greener consumer



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pharmaceuticals-in-the-environment-result-
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Also for

- Chemicals
- Materials
- Complex products
- Substance flows
- Material flows