Development of a Structure Generator to Explore Target Areas on Chemical Space

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Drug Development

- Conditions lead compounds are required to meet
 - Biological activity for specific target
 - Various properties

(ADME-Tox, synthetic accessibility, etc...)

On the first stage of drug development, various structures with high activity are required

Structure Generators and SAR



Structure generators that aim to generate highly active structures are proposed.^{[1][2]}

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Chemical Space



It is necessary to consider the distribution of the generated structures on the chemical space

Development of a structure generator for searching target areas in chemical space



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Visualization of chemical space



A system for structure generation on 2D maps, de novo Design Algorithm for Exploring Chemical Space DAECS

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②Generation of new structures

③Filtering and recording

④Probabilistic selection of new seeds



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Case Study

 α 2A data : GVK^[1] database ligand-binding affinity for α_{2A} adrenergic receptor training data × 300, test data × 335

Descriptors : Fingerprints from PubChem^[2] (460 bit)

Ex.

- >= 4 H
- >= 2 saturated or aromatic nitrogen containing ring size 6
- C(-C)(-H)(=N)

Visualization : Generative Topographic Mapping(GTM)^[3]

[1] GVK Bio Databases, http://www.gvkbio.com/informatics.html

[2] PubChem, http://pubchem.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/

[3] C. M. Bishop, Markus Svensen, *Neaural Computation*, **10**, 215, 1998.

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Predicted activity calculated with 3-nearest neighbors method

 $\begin{array}{l} \mathsf{RMSE}_{\mathsf{cv}} &= 0.45 \\ \mathsf{RMSE}_{\mathsf{pred}} &= 0.42 \end{array}$

Structure Generation

- Structure Generation:
- **1.DAECS**
- 2.Conventional method : selection of new seeds by predicted activity (SVR^[1])
- Initial seeds: 7 structures with > 8 activity values Cycles: 100 Ø Trial: 10 times



Structure Generation

• Distribution of generated structures



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Diversity and Activity

- Distributions of similarity with seed structures and predicted activity
 - Similarity : tanimoto coefficient
 - Activity : 3-NN method



Example of Generated Structures



Conclusions

- A structure generator 'DAECS' was developed. DAECS aims to generate structures in target areas on visualized chemical space.
- In a case study with GVK data, visualization of the chemical space and structure generation were performed.
- Distribution, diversity and activity of generated structures were verified. It was showed that DAECS can generate diverse structures, which are distributed in the target area on visualized chemical space.

APPENDIX



Path



Calculation of Similarity

Fingerprints

Structure A Structure B 0101000100111101... 0011001011110100...

$$t = \frac{M_{11}}{M_{01} + M_{10} + M_{11}}$$

Number of bits that satisfy below

$$M_{01} : A \rightarrow 0, B \rightarrow 1$$

$$M_{10} : A \rightarrow 1, B \rightarrow 0$$

$$M_{11} : A \rightarrow 1, B \rightarrow 1$$

Probabilistic selection (roulette) based on a scoring function

$$SCORE(r,d) = \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{{\sigma_r}^2}\right) \times \exp\left(-\frac{d^2}{{\sigma_d}^2}\right)$$

- *r*: Distance from target on the map
- *d* : Distance from the map
- σ_r : Hyper-parameter
- σ_d : Hyper-parameter

Example of Scoring function



Distribution of a Specified Descriptor

• 145 >= 1 saturated or aromatic nitrogen-containing ring size 5



