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Improving the Chance of Success where an Outcome Can't be Predicted

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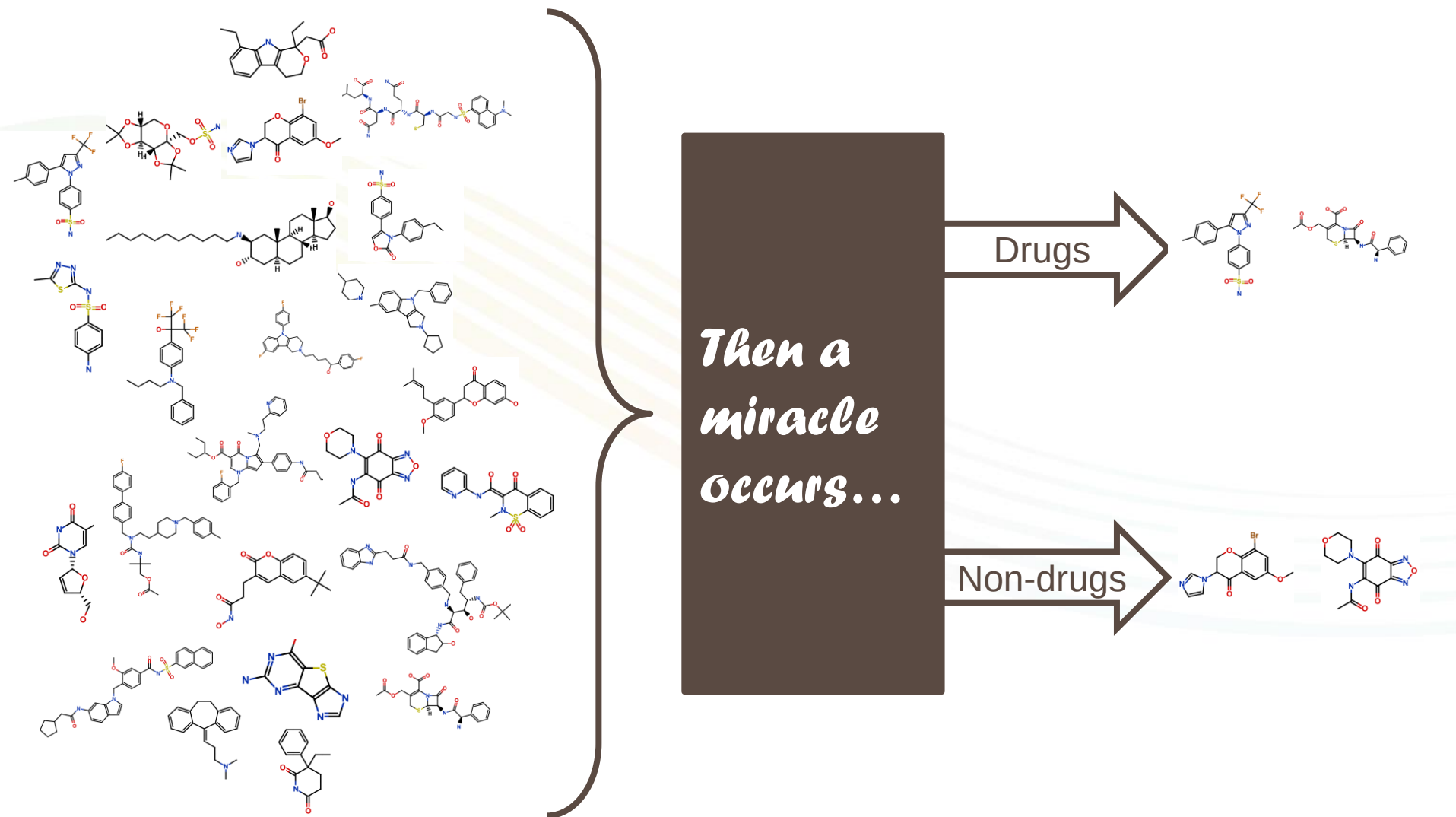
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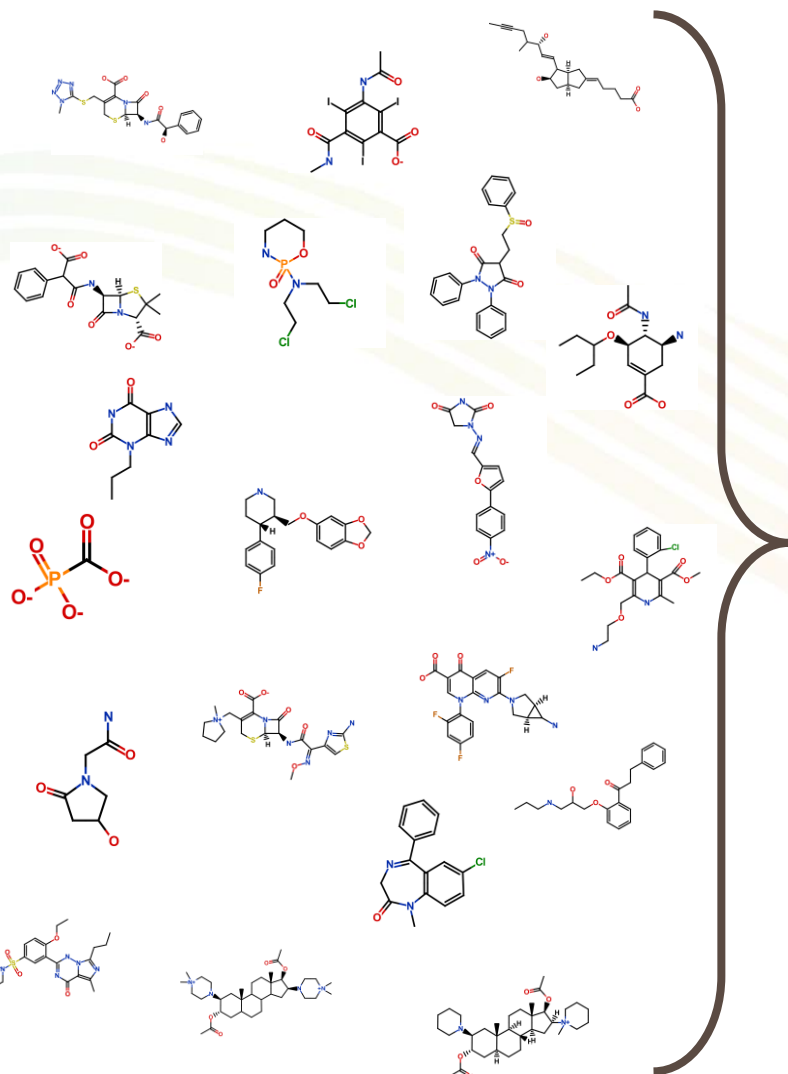
- Prediction... The ideal scenario
 - Why this is often not possible
- An alternative... rules that improve the chance of success
 - Finding rules
 - Applying rules
- Example 1: Finding CNS Drugs
- Example 2: Finding Long duration compounds
- Conclusions

In an Ideal World

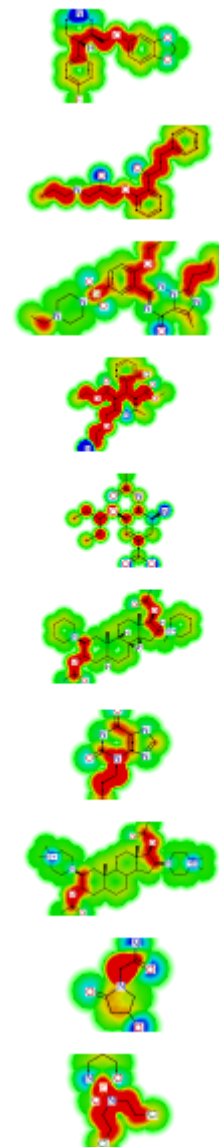


In an Ideal World

Predicting an endpoint



*Then a
miracle
occurs...*



High Cl

Low Cl

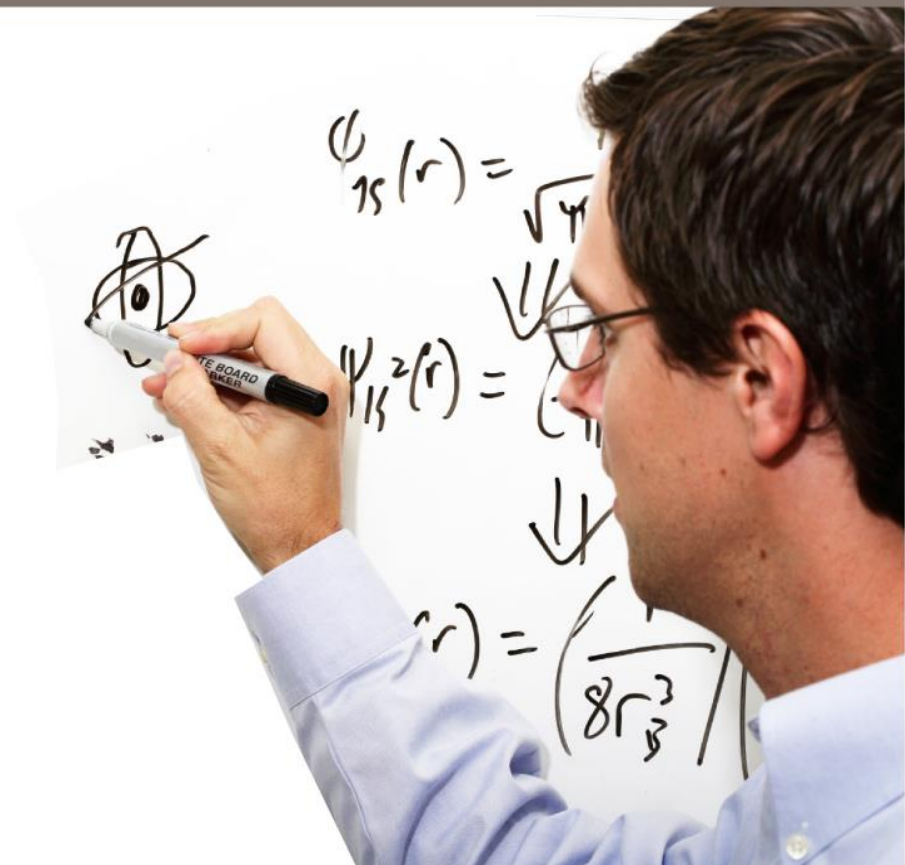
Reasons Why Prediction (often) Doesn't Work

Examples...

- Too much uncertainty
 - Variability in experimental data
 - Confidence in predictions too low
 - See talk 194, “Challenges of decision making using uncertain data”
Room 2005, Moscone West, Tuesday 3.45 pm
- Process being modelled is too complex
 - E.g. multi-mechanistic, physiological processes
- Not enough data
 - Bias in available data

Finding Rules for Success

Patent pending



What is a Rule?

- A **Rule** is a set of property criteria that in **combination** identify 'good' compounds, e.g.

$\log P < 4$

Ligand efficiency > 0.3

$100 < MW < 450$

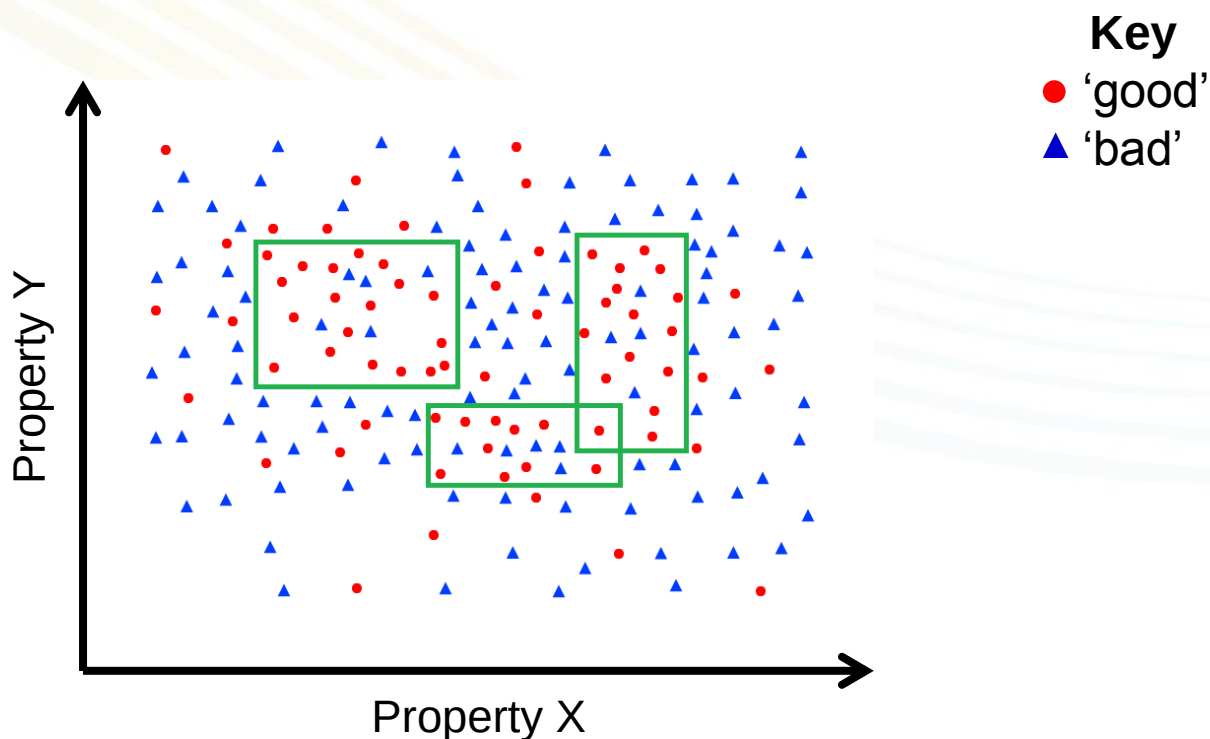
PPB category = low

- For example, Lipinski's Rule of Five:

$\log P < 5$	$MW < 500$
HBD < 5	HBA < 10

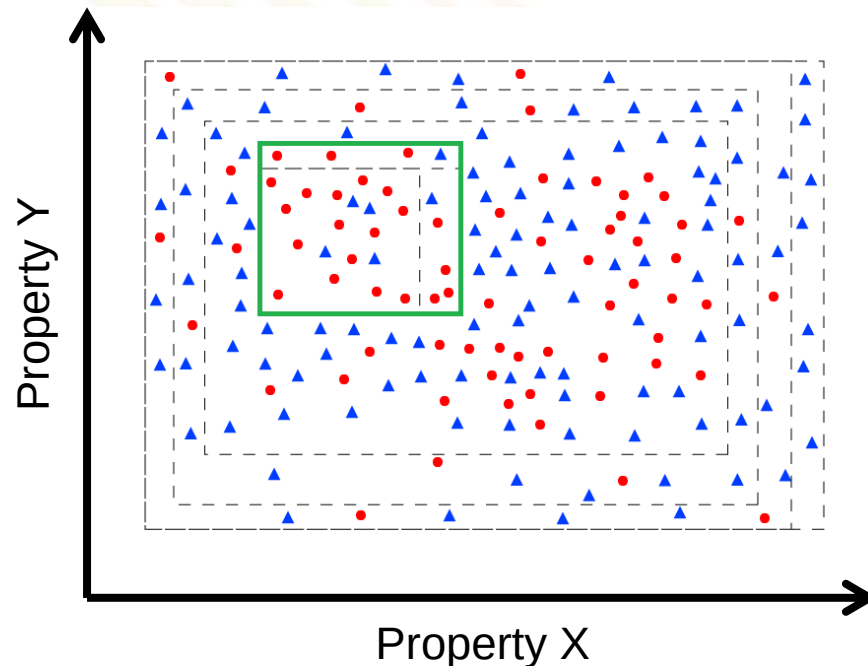
What is a Rule?

- A **Rule** is also a box in multi-dimensional property space containing significantly more 'good' than 'bad' compounds



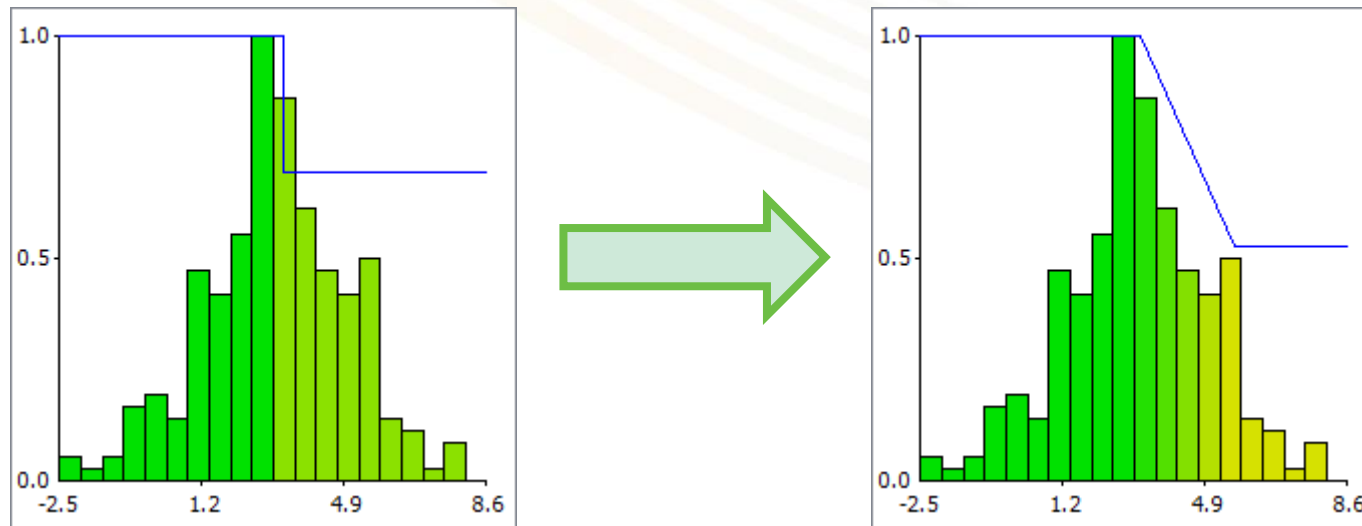
Rule Induction

- ‘Rule induction’ method identifies multi-parameter regions of property space with higher chance of success
 - Also known as ‘bump hunting’ because it can find property regions corresponding to small increases in probability distribution



Determining 'Soft' Box Boundaries

- Box bounds from rule induction are hard cut-offs
- Sensitivity analysis of box bounds to data sampling
 - Particularly important for sparse data
 - Incorporate uncertainty into the generated box bounds
 - Cross validation between training/validation sets



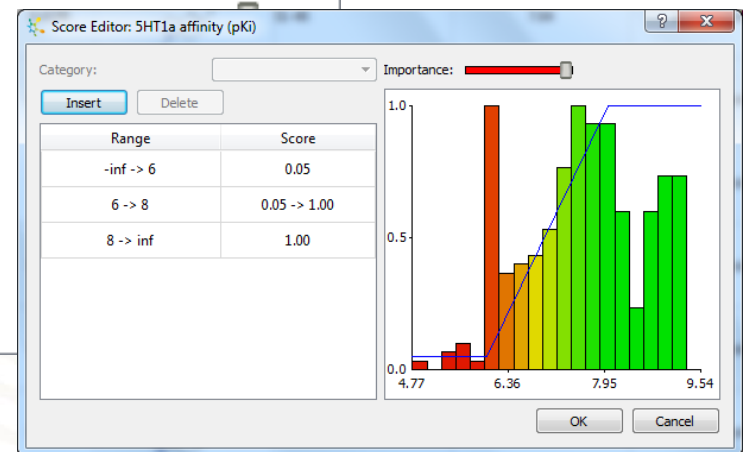
Measuring Rule Performance

- Mean = Average objective value in box
 - Reported as % increase over objective value for full set
- Support = Proportion of data set 'covered' by box
 - Reported as % coverage
- Specificity vs. Sensitivity trade-off
 - Specify minimum coverage to avoid overtraining
- Also reported
 - Statistical significance (p-value)
 - Odds ratio (probability of success inside the box vs. outside)

Applying Multi-Parameter Rules

Probabilistic Scoring*

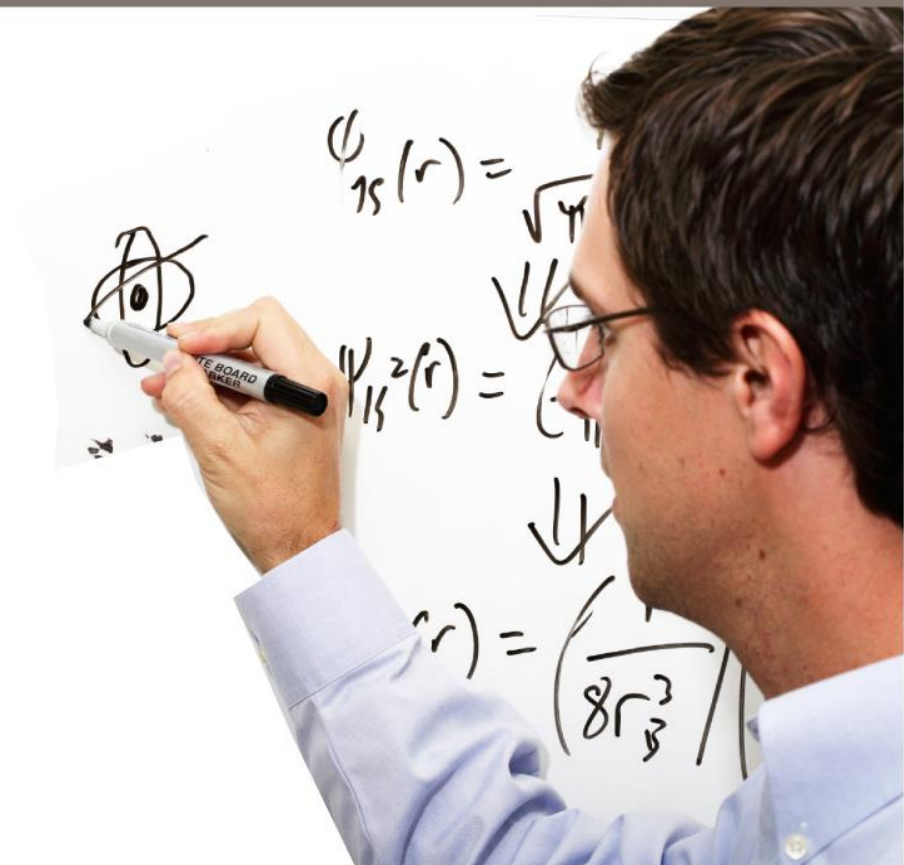
Profile	Desired Value	Importance
5HT1a affinity (pKi)	8 -> inf	
logS	> 1	
HIA category	+	
logP	0 -> 3.5	
BBB log([brain]:[blood])	-0.2 -> 1	
BBB category	+	
P-gp category	no	
hERG pIC50	≤ 5	
2C9 pKi	≤ 6	
2D6 affinity category	low medium	
PPB90 category	low	



- **Property data**
 - Experimental or predicted
- **Criteria for success**
 - Relative importance
- **Uncertainties in data**
 - Experimental or statistical

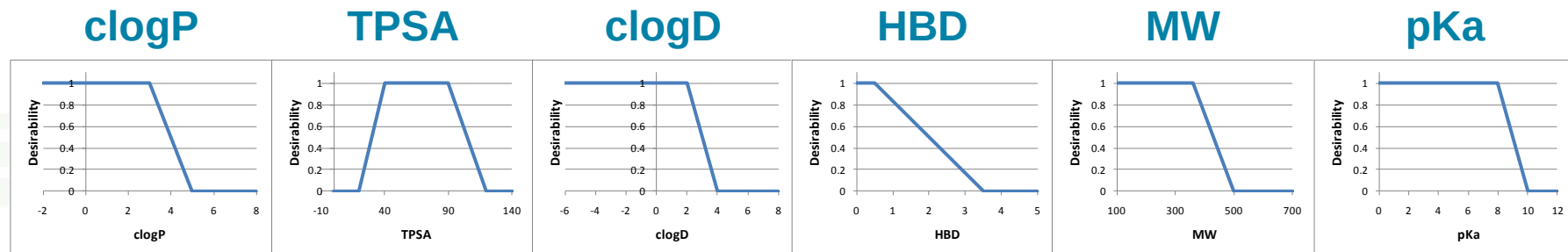
- **Score (Likelihood of Success)**
- **Confidence in score**

Example: Finding CNS Drugs



Finding CNS Drugs

CNS MPO Score*



CNS MPO = sum of desirabilities for each parameter

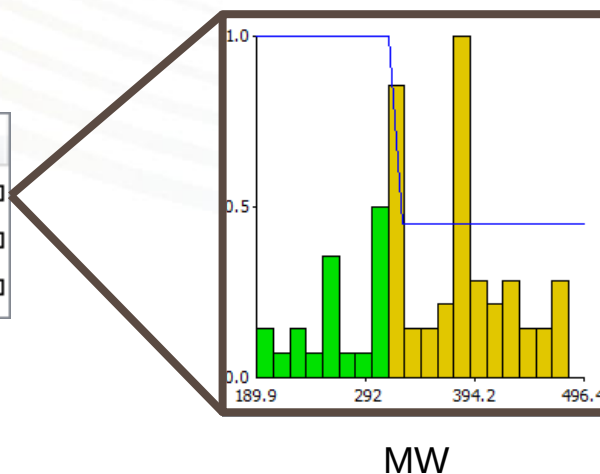
- 74% of marketed CNS drugs achieved CNS MPO > 4 vs. 60% of Pfizer candidates
- Correlations observed between high CNS MPO score and good *in vitro* ADME properties, e.g. MDCK P_{app} , HLM stability, P-gp transport

Finding CNS Drugs

Applying Rule Induction

- Data set of 119 CNS drugs and 108 failed candidates published by Wager *et al.* *
- Divided into training and validation sets (70:30)
- Rule derived with 20% minimum coverage:

Profile	Desired Value	Importance
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PKA	-inf -> 9.676	
CLOGP	-inf -> 2.973	

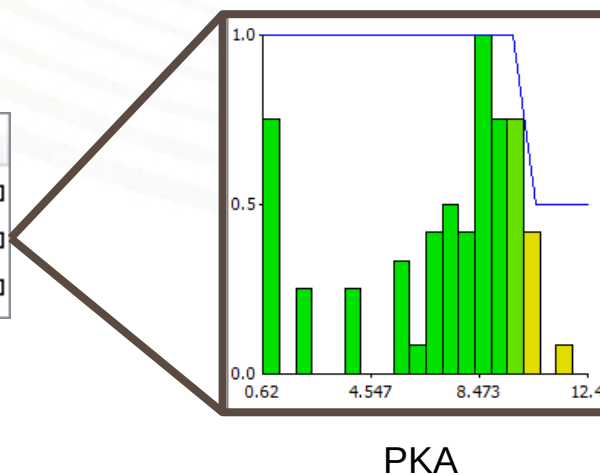


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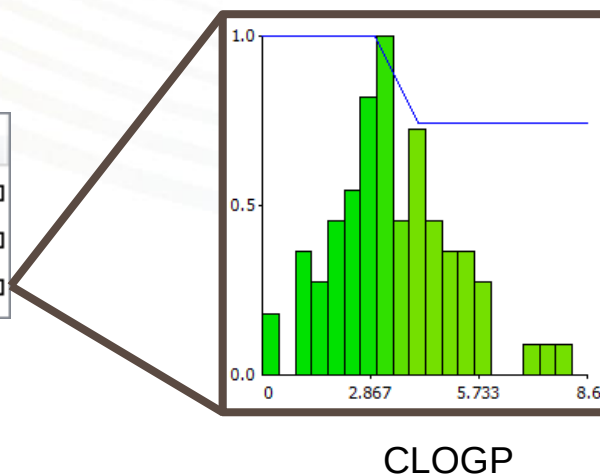


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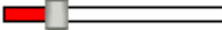
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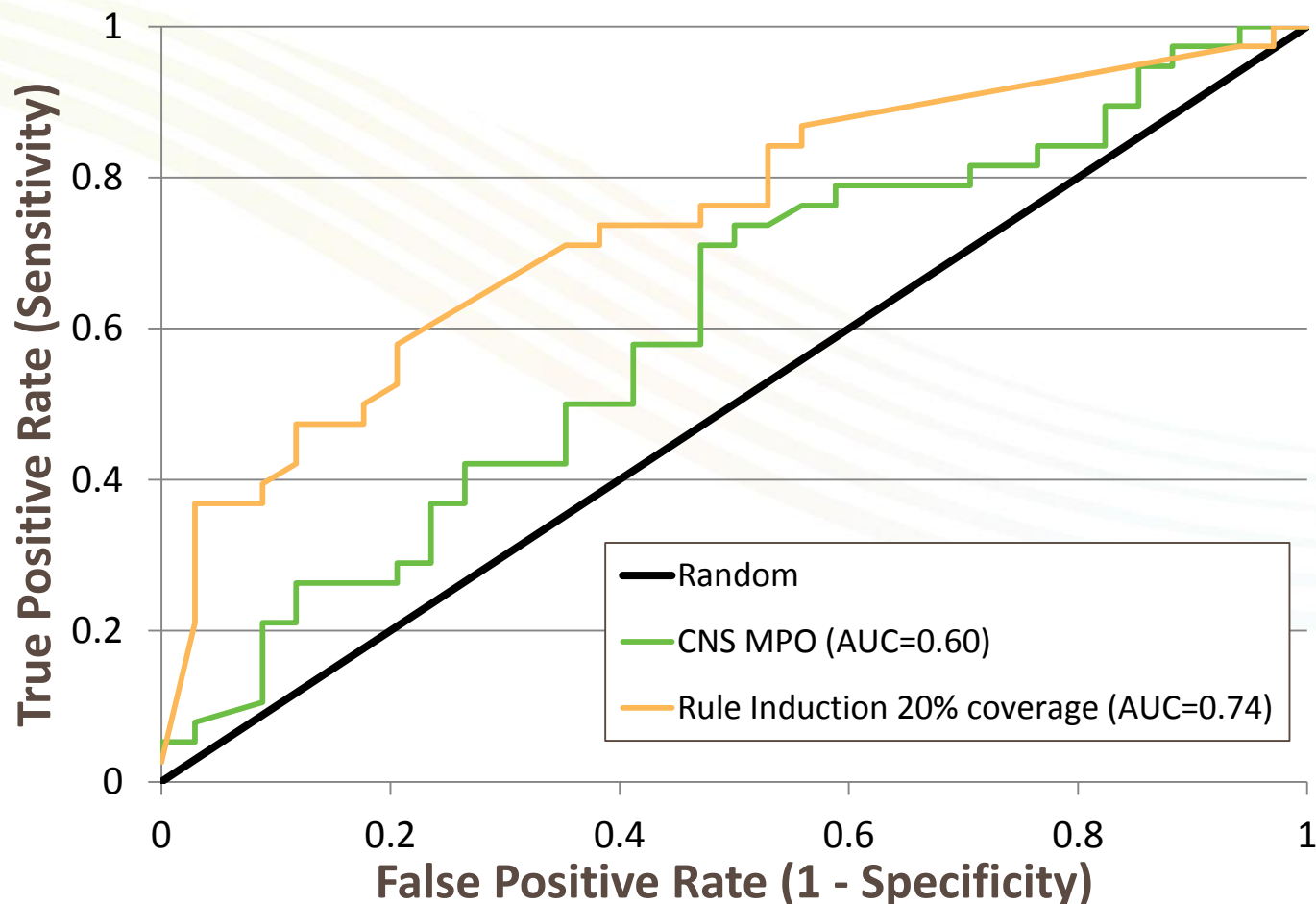
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Set	Mean Improvement (%)	Support (%)	Odds Ratio	p-value
Train	34	36	3.3	3×10^{-3}
Val	67	24	10.4	2×10^{-4}

Finding CNS Drugs

Validation Results – ROC plot

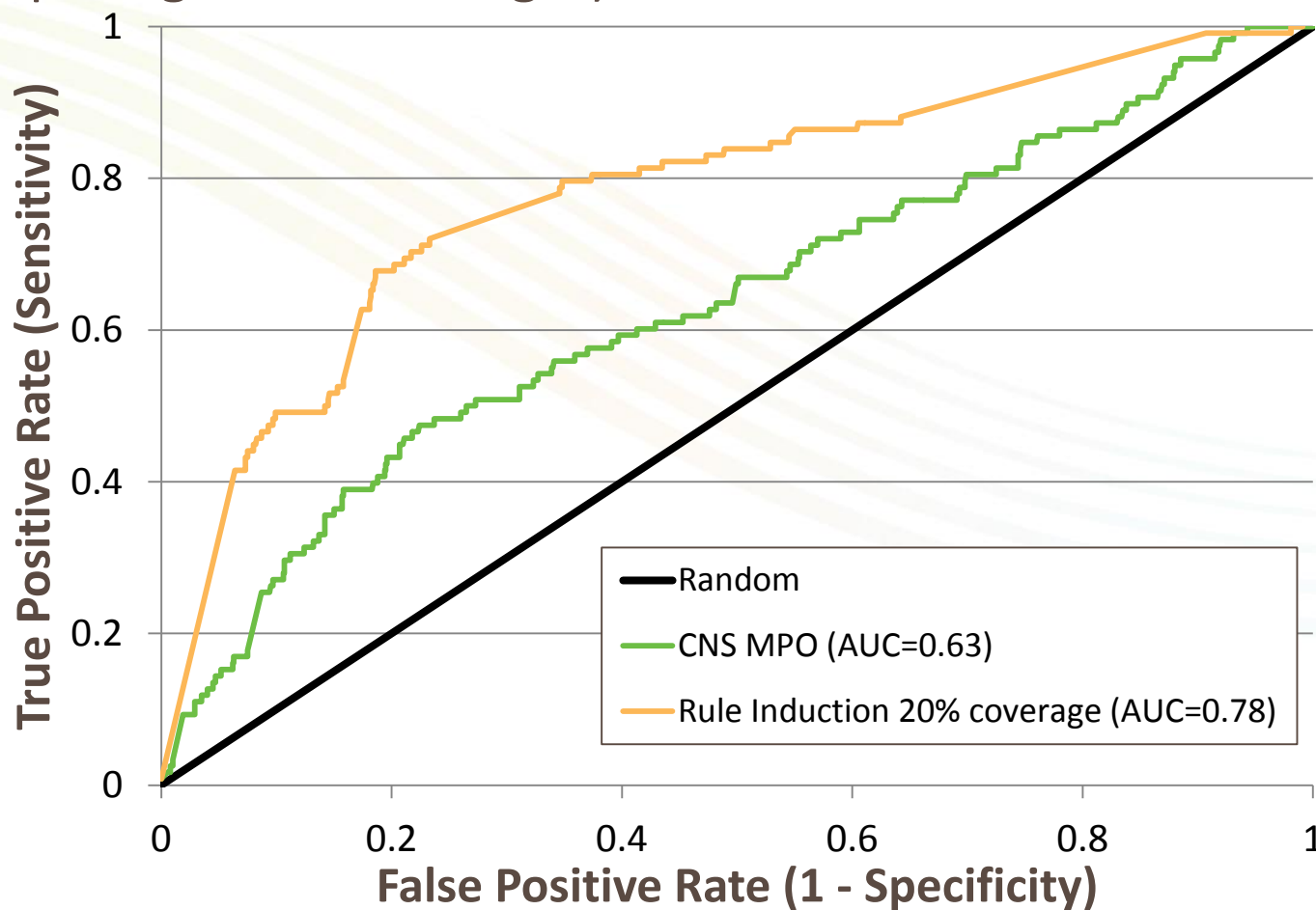
- 38 CNS drugs and 34 failed candidates from Wager dataset*



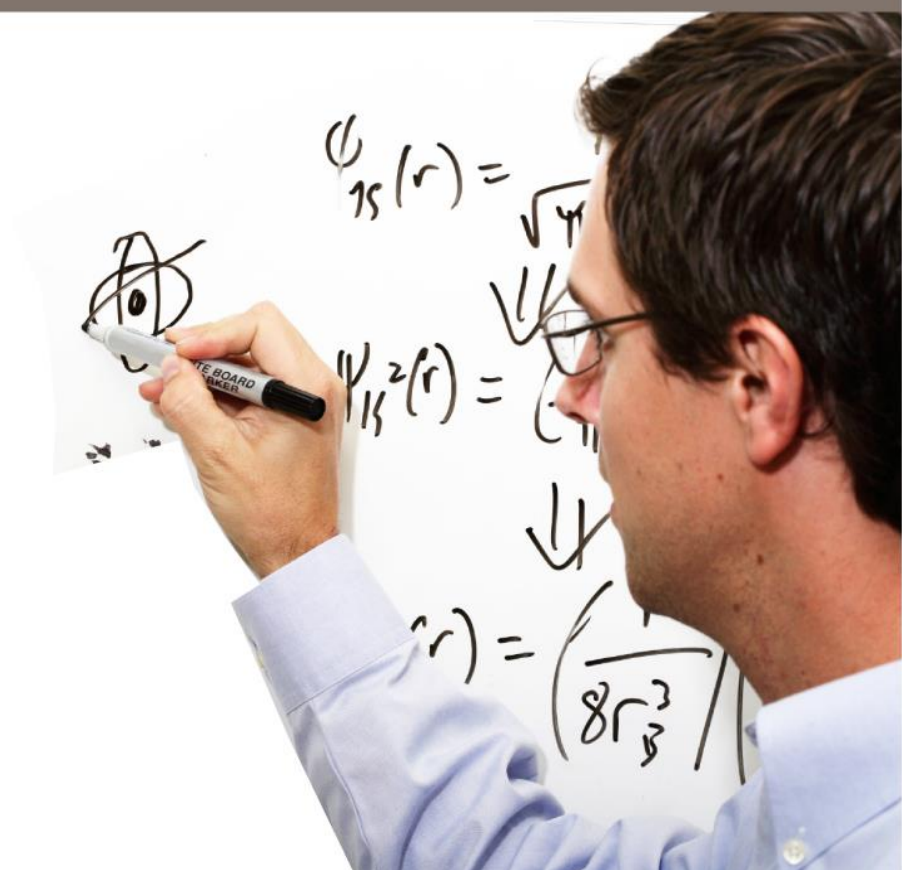
Finding CNS Drugs

A more realistic external test

- 118 (different) CNS drugs and 1000 CNS 'leads' (measured $K_i < 1 \mu\text{M}$ against CNS target) from ChEMBL database

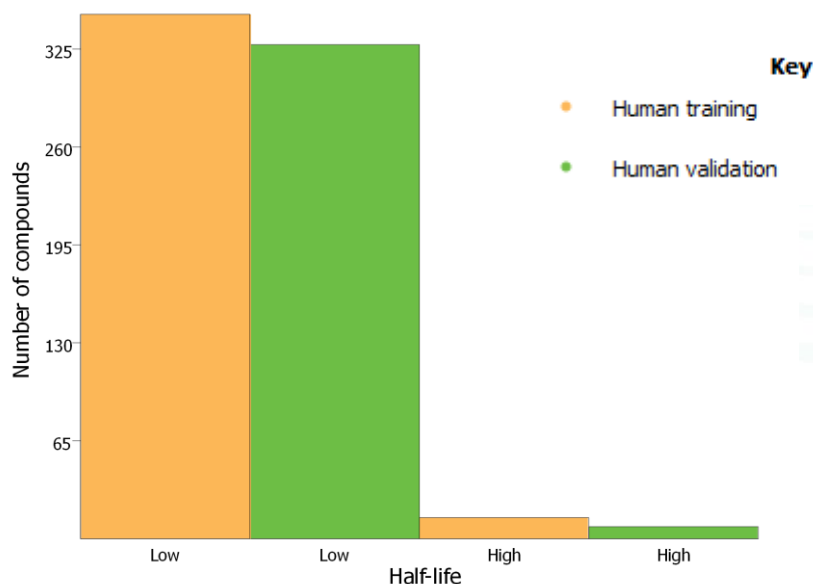


Example: Finding Long Duration Compounds



Finding Long Duration Compounds

- Find rules to identify compounds with a half-life ($T_{1/2}$) in humans >100 hours
- Data set: 698 compounds with measured human $T_{1/2}$
 - Divided into training and validation sets (52:48) using clustering
 - Highly biased data set



Finding Long Duration Compounds

'Conventional' modelling techniques

- Classification models:
 - Random forest, decision trees, Gaussian process classifier
- Descriptors including:
 - Simple compound properties: MW, logP, TPSA, HBA/D, ROTB, AROM
 - Ionisation: pKa*, Acid/Base/Zwitterion/Neutral indicator
 - QSAR predictions: logS, PPB, P-gp transport, BBB...
- No 'High' validation set compound correctly predicted
 - N.B. Accuracy is 97%... Beware accuracy as metric for biased data!

Finding Long Duration Compounds

Rule induction

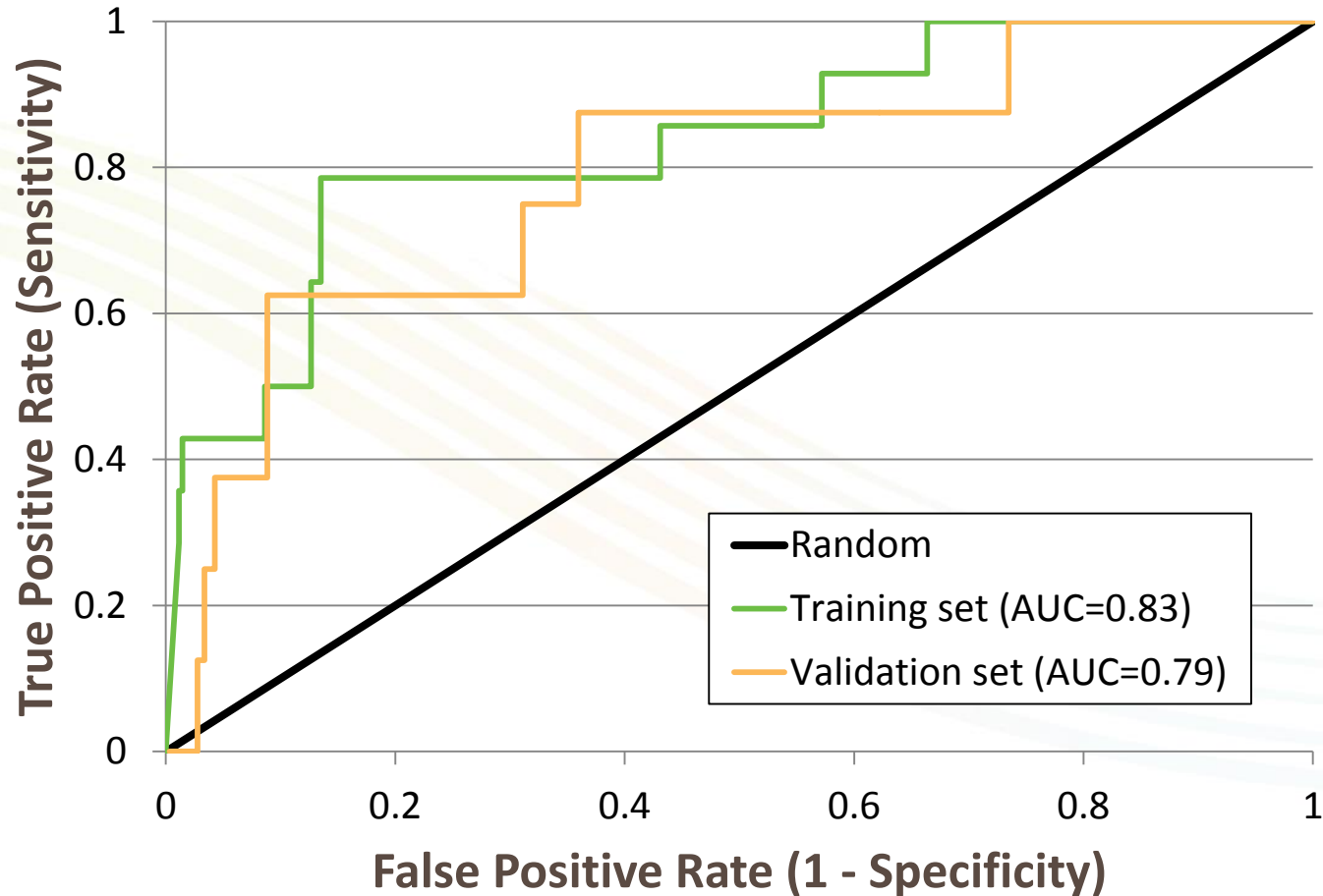
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- Rule derived with 2% minimum coverage:

Profile	Desired Value	Importance
TPSA	-inf -> 55.78 	
MW	340.1 -> inf 	
logP	3.375 -> inf 	
Number of aromatic rings	1.2 -> inf 	
Min Acid pKa	4.648 -> inf 	

Set	Mean Improvement (%)	Support (%)	Odds Ratio	p-value
Train	269.4	19.3	12	8×10^{-3}
Val	425.0	11.9	14	8×10^{-2}

Finding Long Duration Compounds

ROC plot



Conclusions

- In many cases it is not possible to predict an outcome with confidence
 - Often due to sparse or biased data
- Rule induction provides a way to find multi-parameter selection criteria that improve the chance of success
- Multi-parameter optimisation provides a robust way to apply these rules and bias the odds in our favour
- For more details, see:
 - I. Yusof et al. (2014) Drug Discov. Today 19(5) pp. 680-687
 - Download (p)reprint from www.optibrium.com/community/publications
- Or visit **Booth 1324** for a demo



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