

# BEST PRACTICES FOR ADVANCED STRUCTURE SEARCHING IN CAS STNEXT

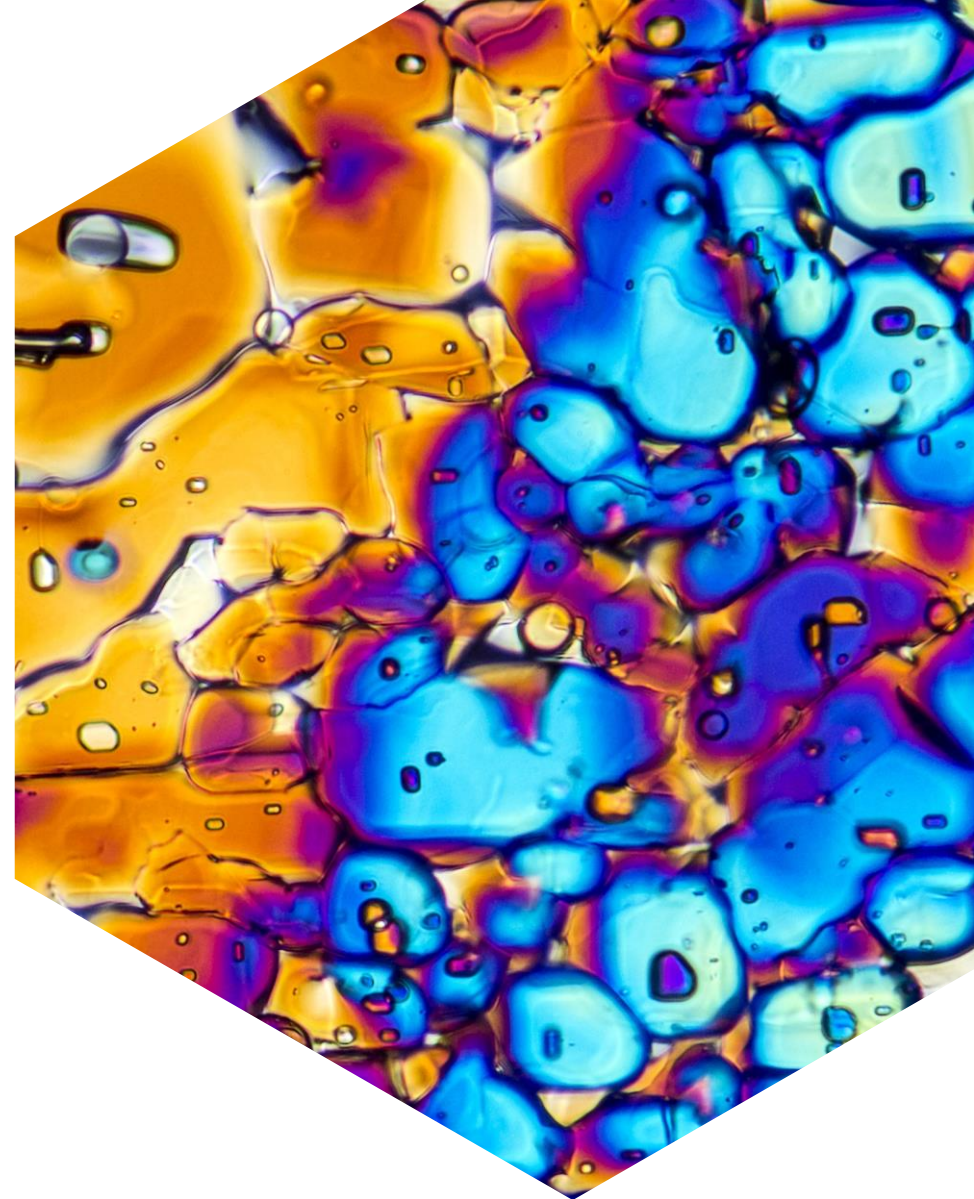
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# Agenda

## Strategies for complex chemical structures

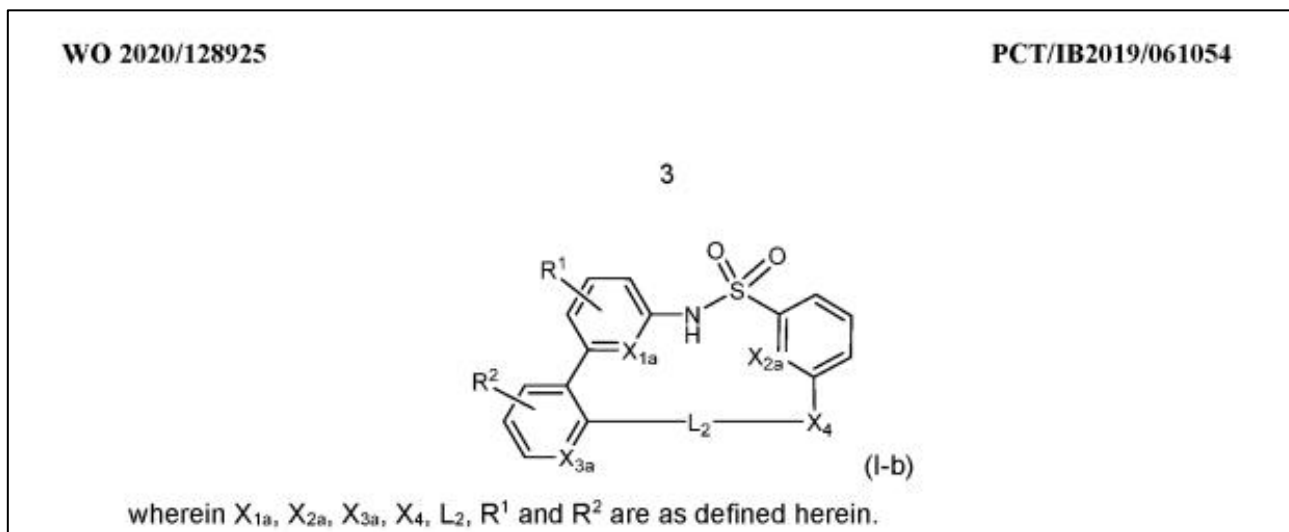
- How to search for macrocyclic compounds with variable ring sizes across multiple databases
- Deduplicate patent results
- When to include stereochemistry in Derwent databases
- How to search for radicals or ions



# Searching Macrocyclic compounds

## Challenges of adding variability into the ring structure

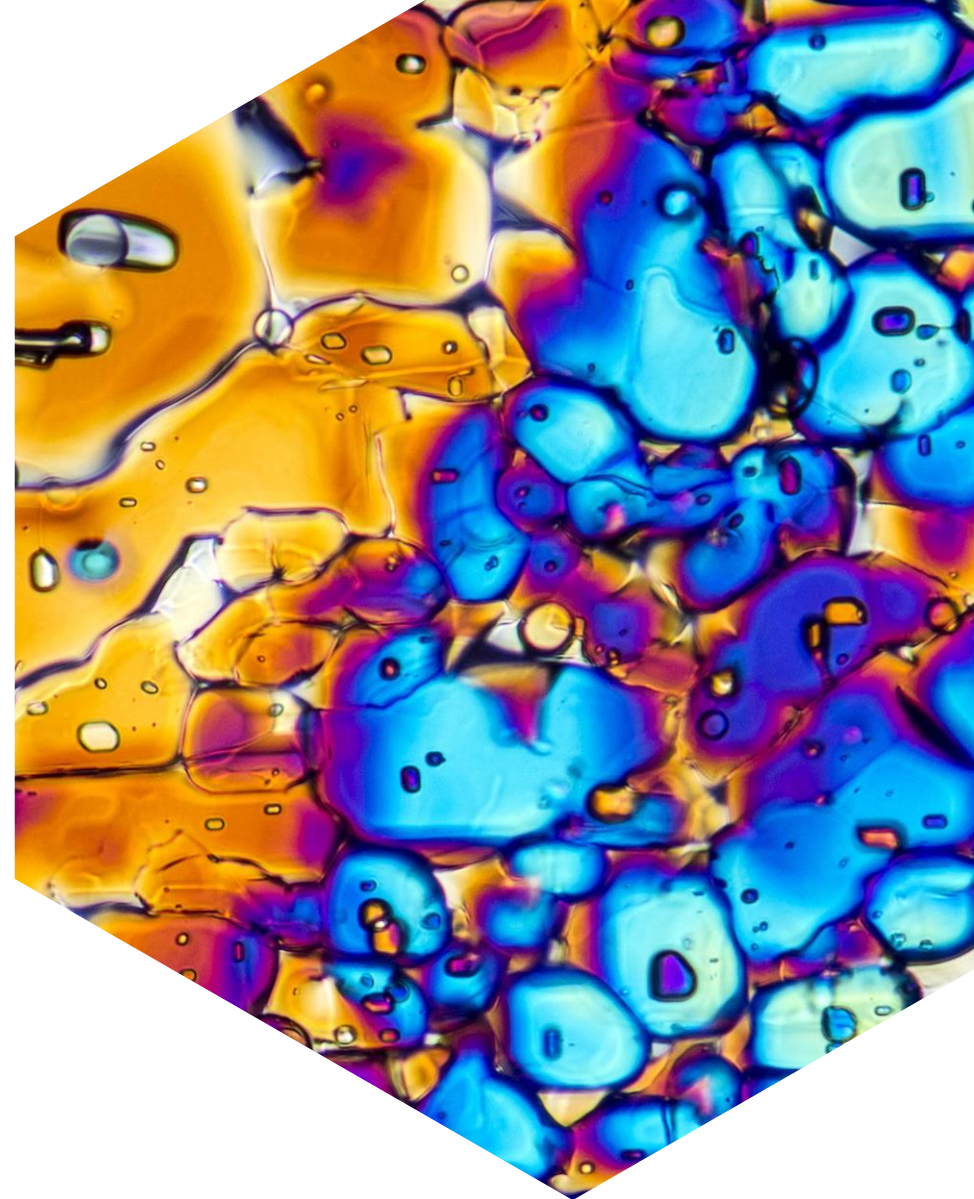
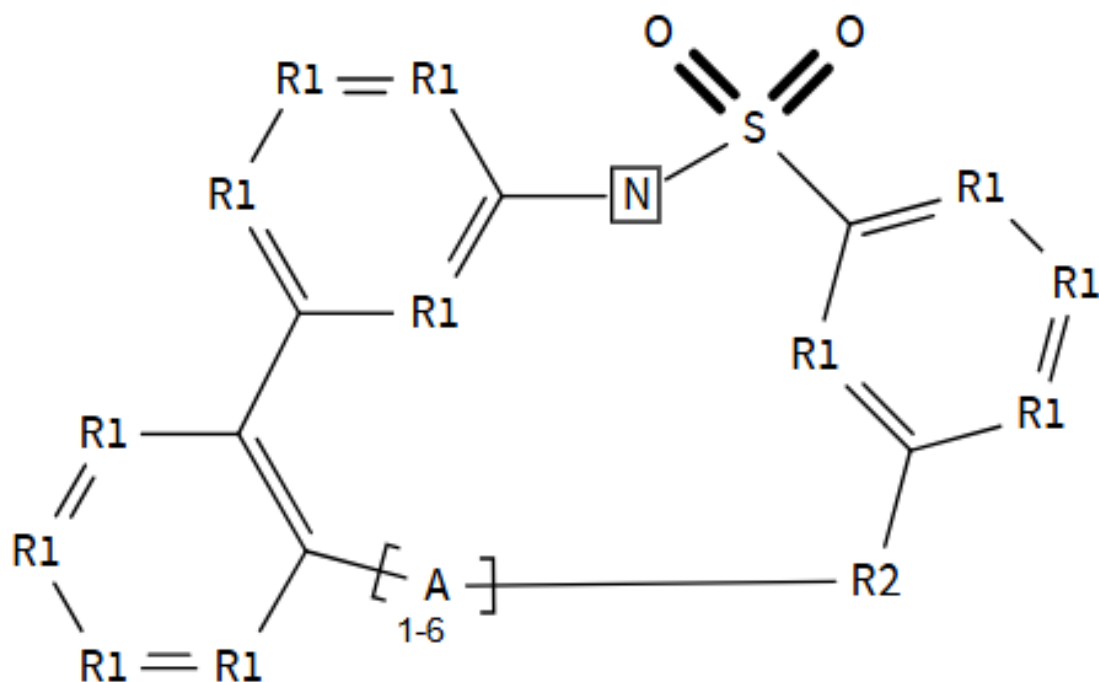
- Options for Ring System Data in CAS REGISTRY, but not in MARPAT
- Watch out for *structure too large*
- Use Non-H attachment to indicate further ring nodes
- Keeping ring with X3a completely open in terms of shape and elements



# Trying to draw as defined

Retrieves 148 substances in REGISTRY

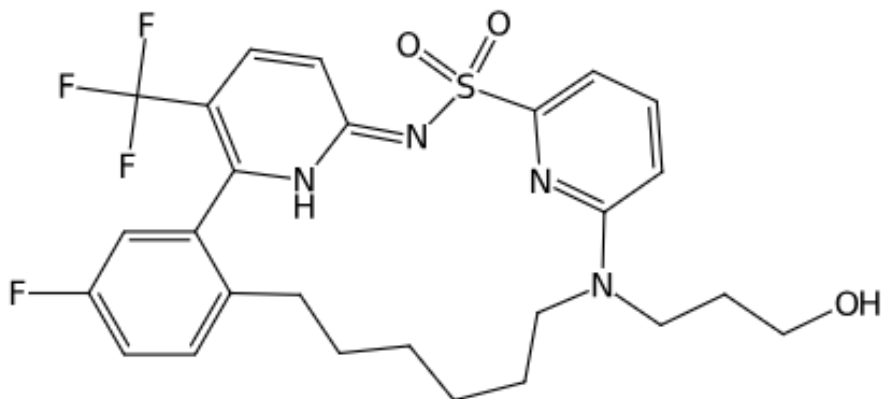
But MARPAT gives *Str too large* message



# Ring system data for macrocycles

The ring size of the smallest ring (/SZS) shows the value 17

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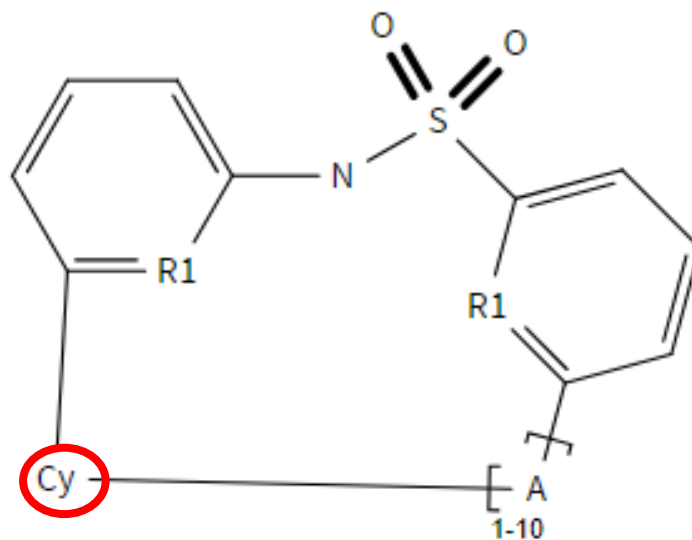
## Ring System Data

| Elemental<br>Analysis<br>EA | Elemental<br>Sequence<br>ES | Size of<br>the Rings<br>SZ | Ring System<br>Formula<br>RF | Ring<br>Identifier<br>RID | RID<br>Occurrence<br>Count |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
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# Embedded generic node error

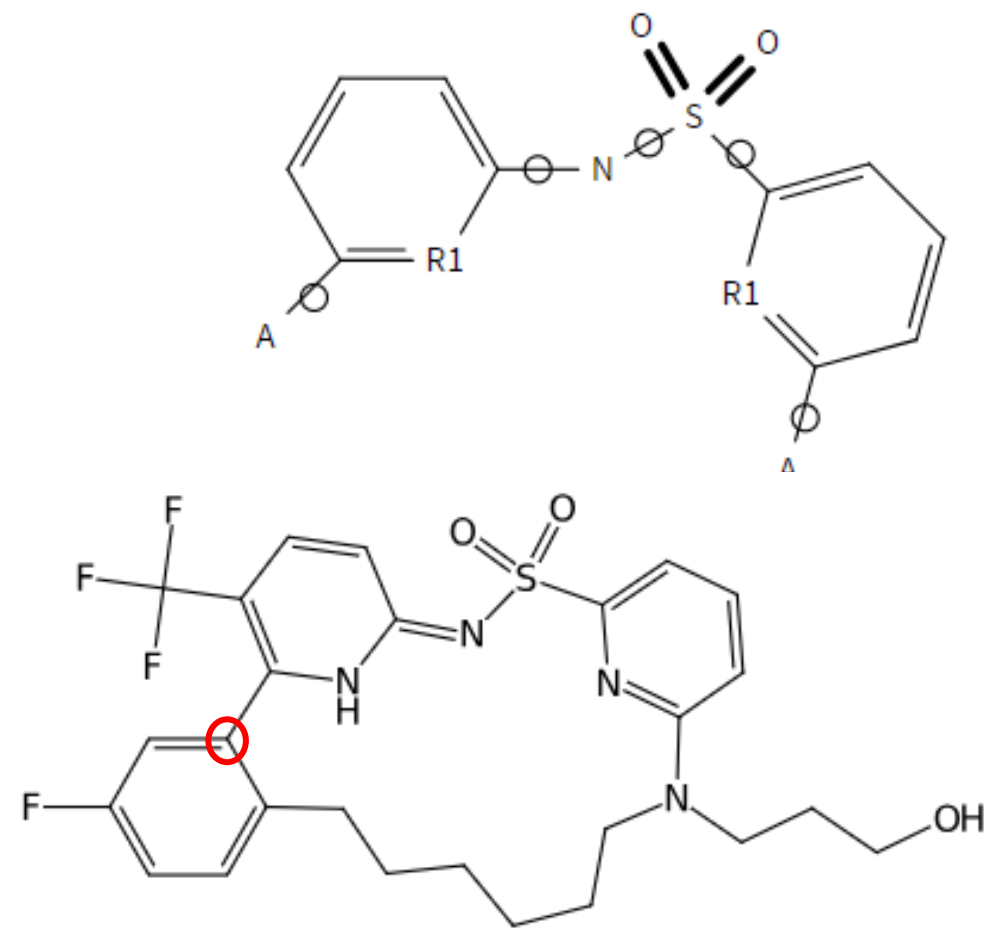
Cannot define a generic ring inside a ring

! Generic groups not allowed in rings or in R-groups that are in rings. [Show this error](#)



# Approach in REGISTRY

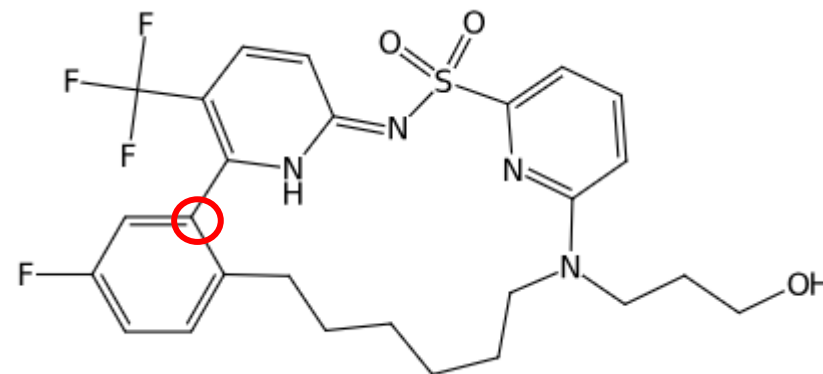
- Indicating all ring bonds
- R1=C/N
- A is any element except H
- Smallest ring size should be at least 13
- How to indicate that the A node on the left is the start of any ring?



# Non-H attachment solves this issue

Indicates the number of connections at this location

- This atom is connected to 3 other ring atoms
- By specifying that that A must have a non-H attachment of Exact Ring 3, there must be a new ring starting at that position



| Node Attributes                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |         |          |                             |                                        |                                       |                               |                                  |                               |
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| Node Type                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |         |          |                             |                                        |                                       |                               |                                  |                               |
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# Running the search in CAS REGISTRY

Most of the retrieved substances already have larger rings

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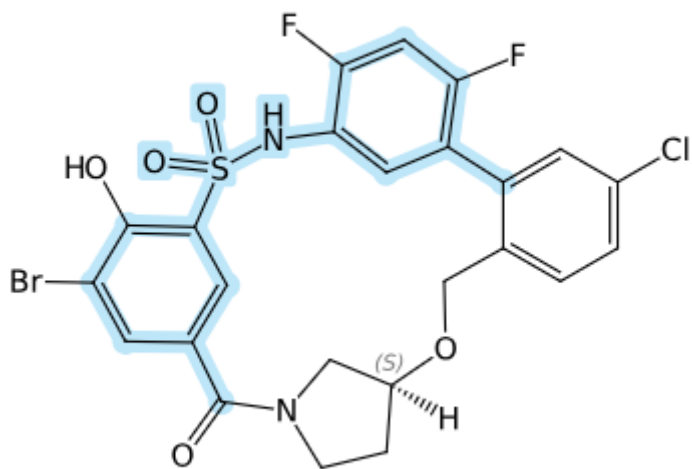
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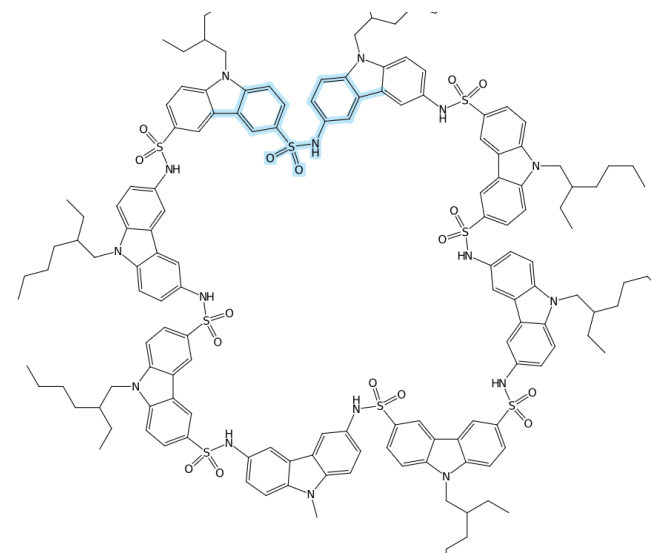
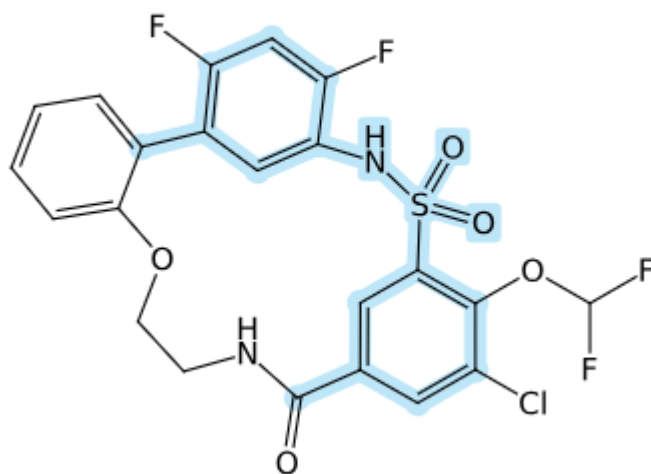
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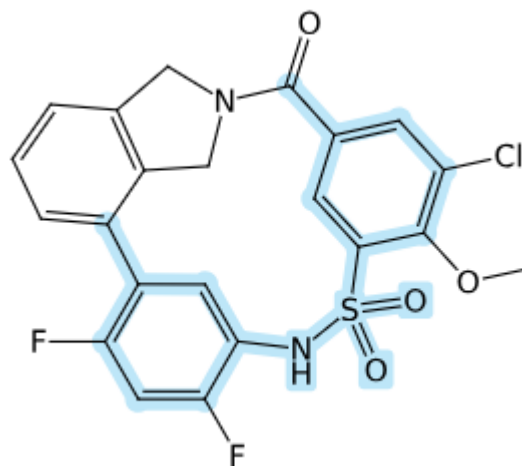
Largest ring system had 64 atoms, could limit to the number of rings in the ring system



Absolute stereochemistry shown



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# Search works well in MARPAT

Non-H attachment is well-recognized

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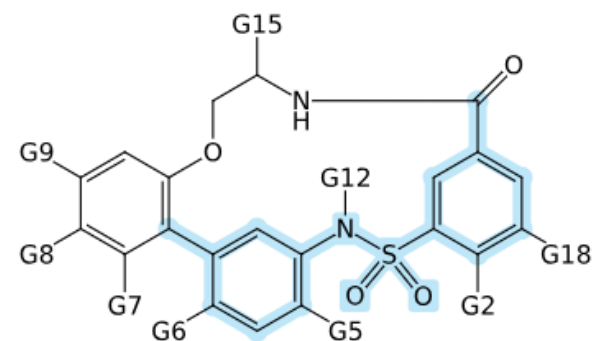
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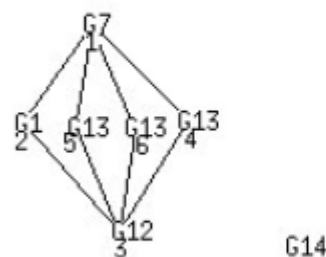
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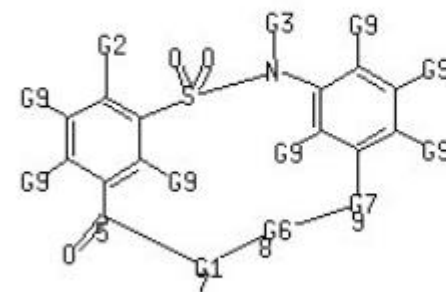
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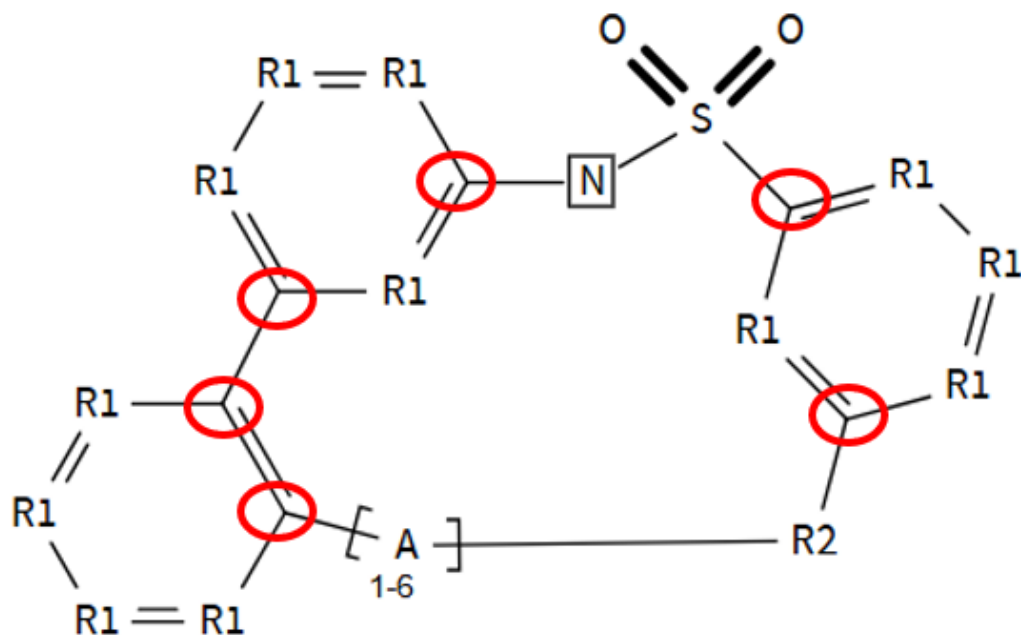
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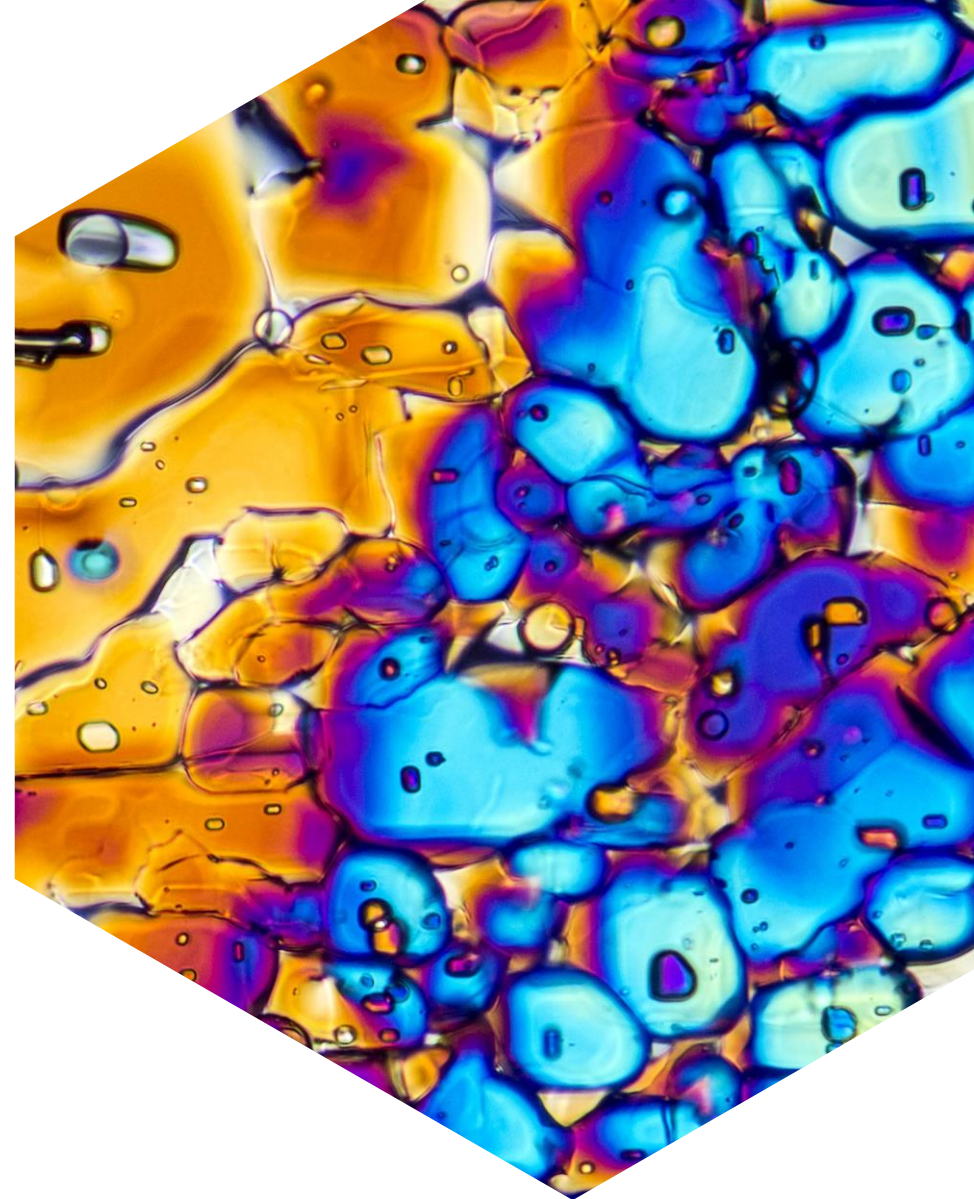
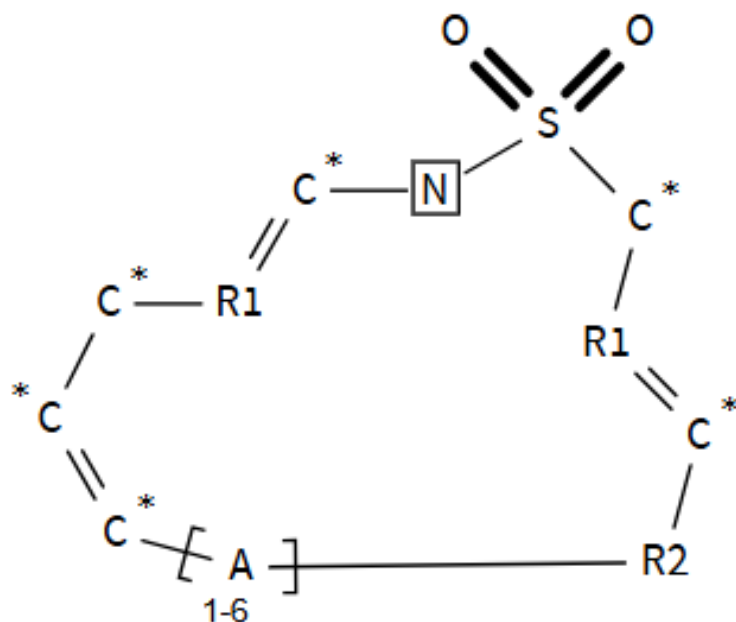
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Remove the R1 group nodes completely that are not part of the inner ring



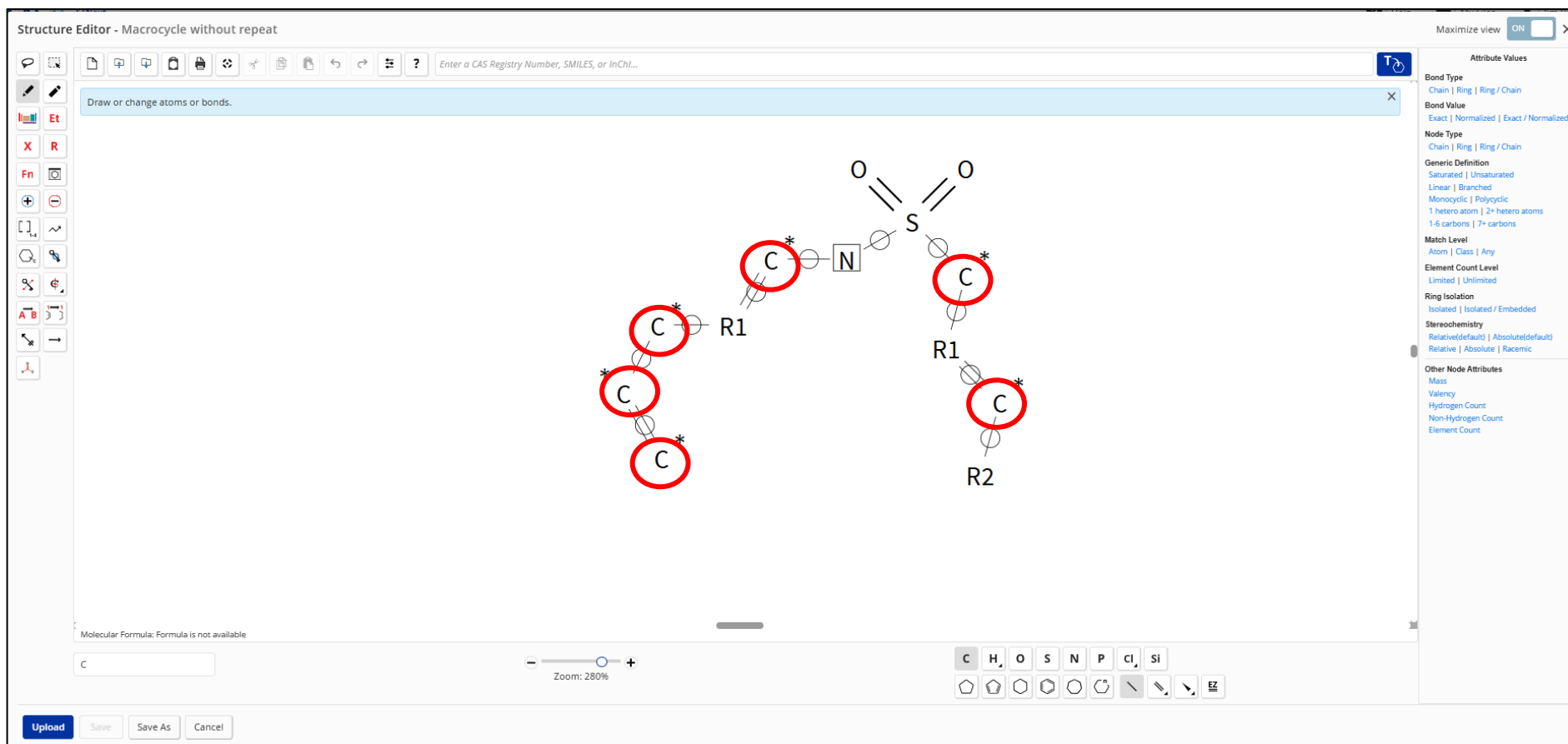
# Inner ring structure search

- Carbon nodes with \* have non-H attachment of Exact 3 Ring
- Gives the same 148 substance records in REGISTRY, but still too large for MARPAT



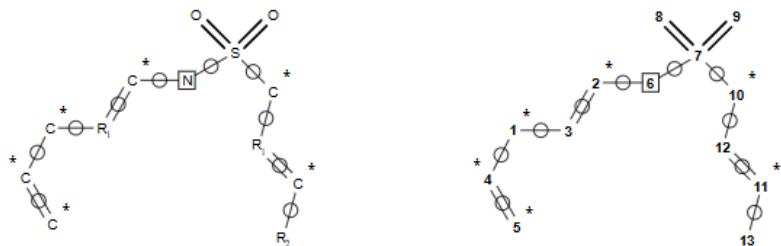
# The issue is the repeating group

Let's just remove it, but leave the bonds "ring" and the non-H attachments in place.



# The issue is the repeating group

Uploading structure file: Macrocyclic without repeat



## R-Group Definitions

R1: C,N

R2: N,O

## Node Attributes

Ring Nodes : 1 2 4 5 6 7 10 11

Chain Nodes : 8 9

Non H Count

Ring, Exact (3) : 1 2 4 5 10 11

## Bond Attributes

Ring Bonds : 1-4 2-3 2-6 3-1 4-5 6-7 7-10 11-12 11-13 12-10

Chain Bonds : 7-8 7-9

Exact/Normalized Bonds : 1-4 2-3 2-6 3-1 4-5 6-7 7-8 7-9 7-10 11-12 11-13 12-10

## Markush Attributes

Match Level (ATOM) : 1 2 4 5 6 7 10 11

Match Level (CLASS) : 8 9

Element Count Level (LIMITED) : 1 2 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

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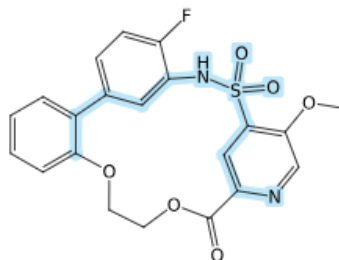
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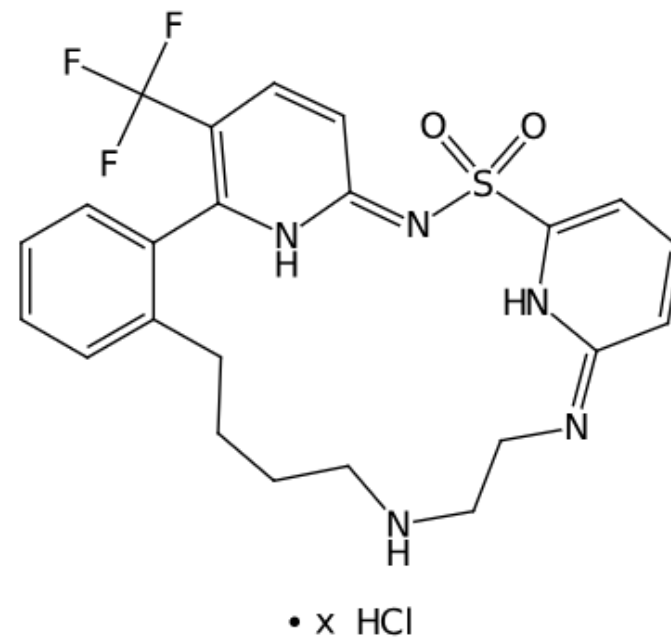
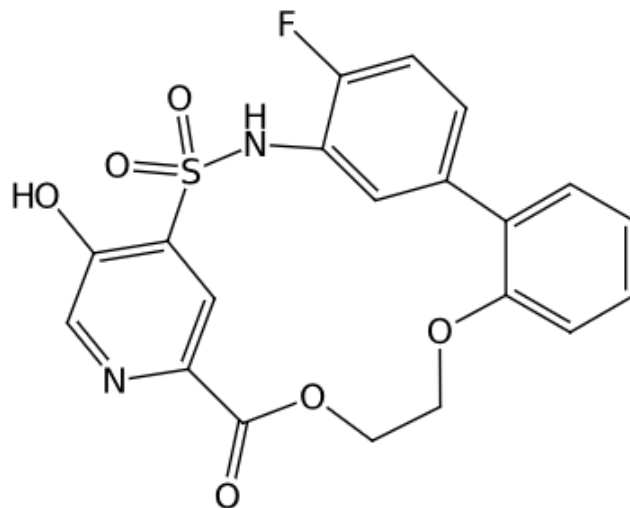
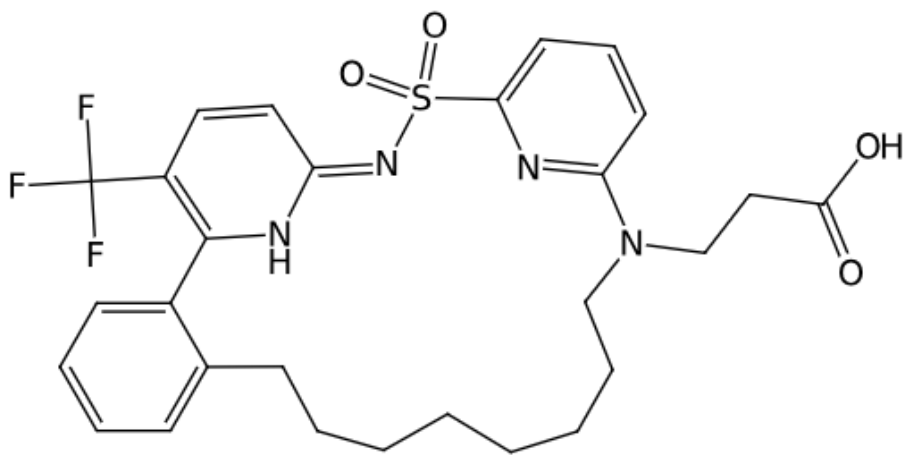
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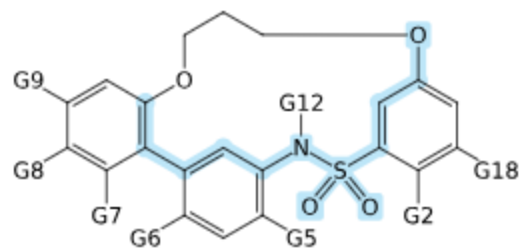
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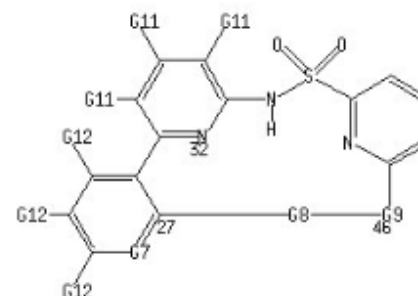
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PA Esperion Therapeutics, Inc., USA

UO ESPERION THERAPEUTICS, INC.

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SO PCT Int. Appl., 303pp.  
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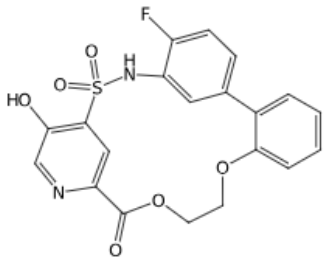
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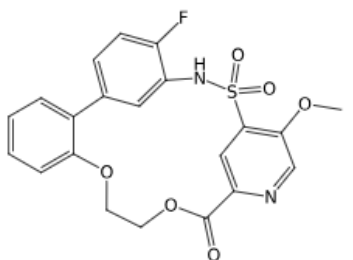


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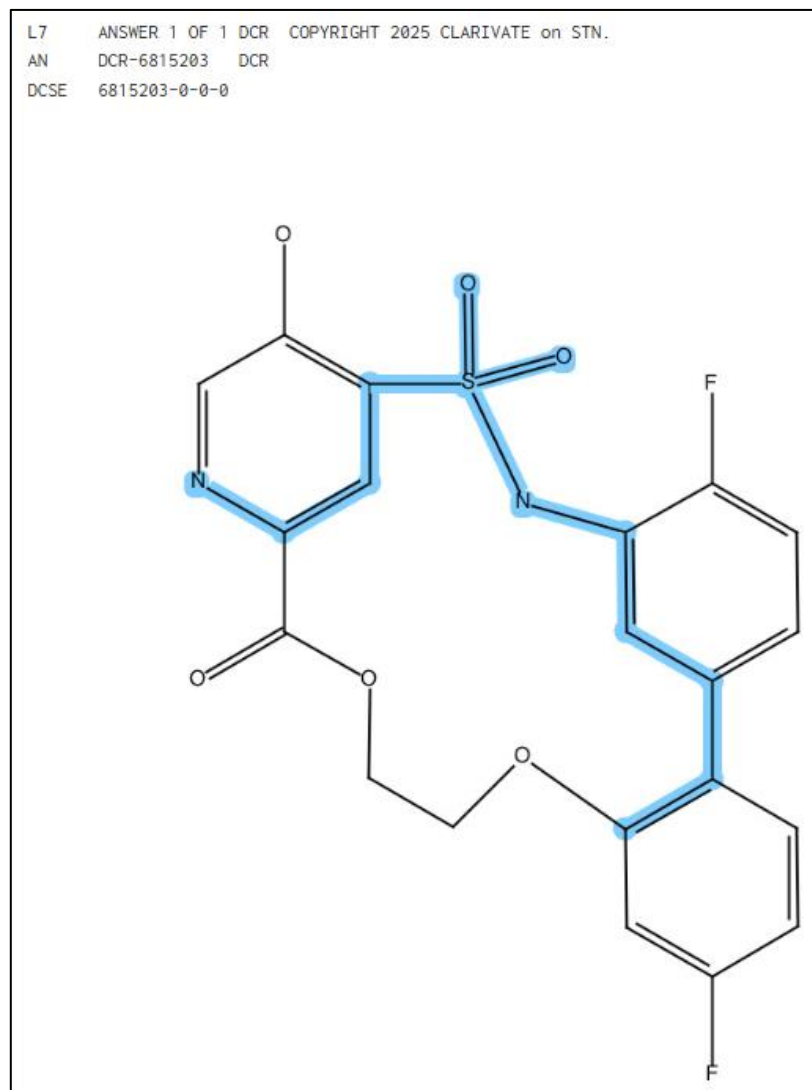
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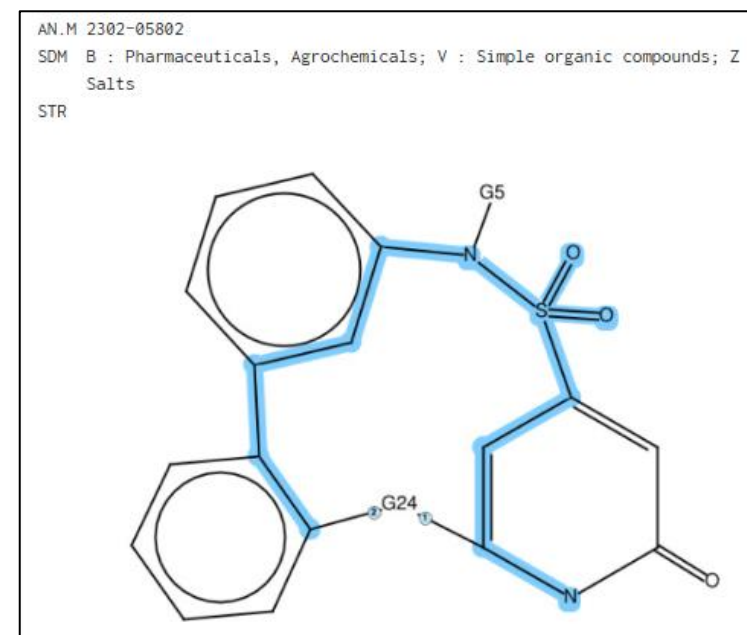
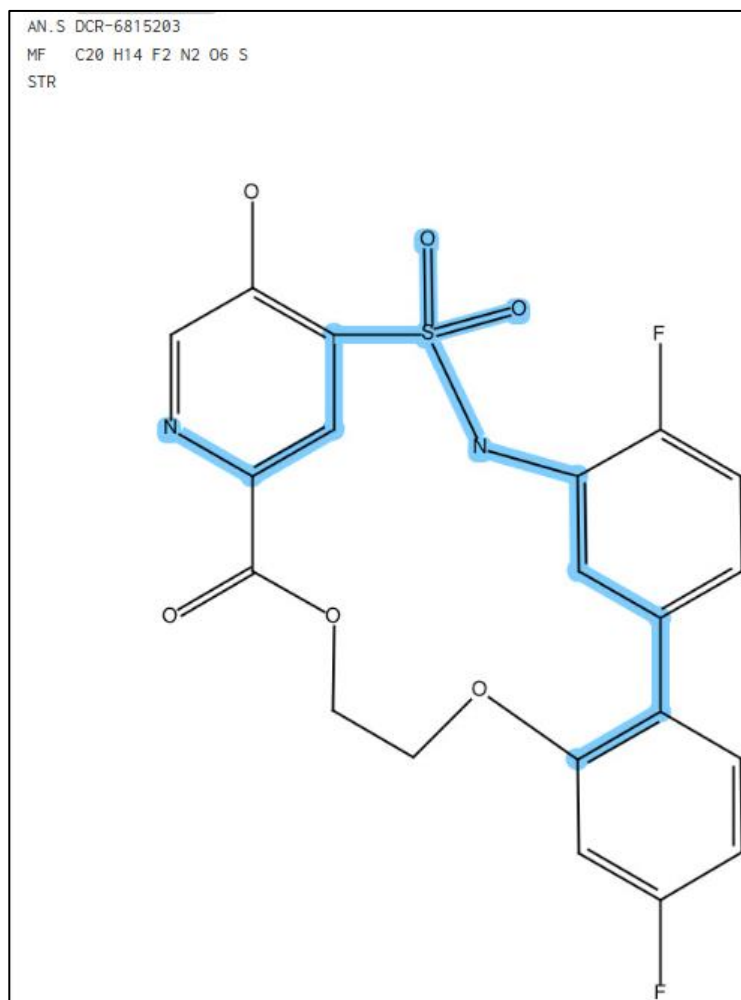
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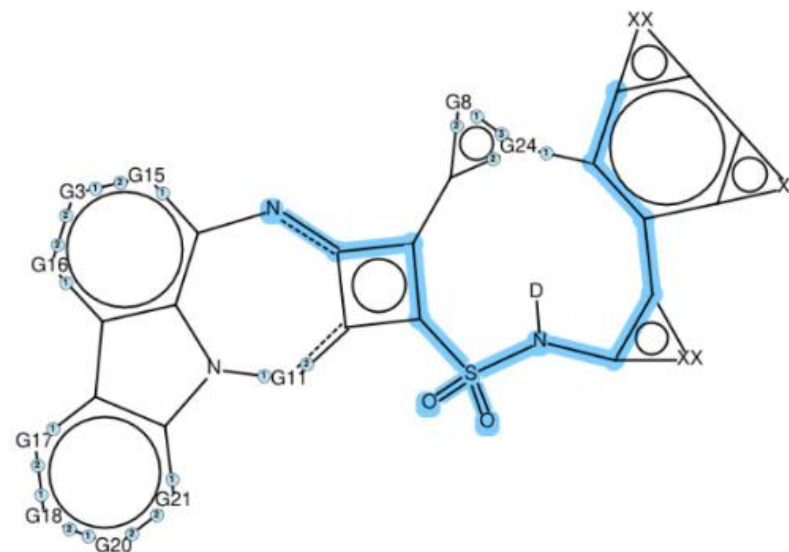
L15 7 L11 NOT L13

=> D BIB HITSTR AHITSTR

# Unique DWPI record

L15 ANSWER 1 OF 7 WPINDEX COPYRIGHT 2025 CLARIVATE on STN  
 AN 2023-652468 [2023066] WPINDEX [Full-text](#)  
 CR 2023-64747V; 2023-64815X; 2023-64888U; 2023-64889R; 2023-64945A;  
 2023-649642; 2023-64995J; 2023-651142; 2023-65238C; 2023-65242W;  
 2023-652443; 2023-68023M; 2024-D2099V  
 TI New nitrogen-containing cyclic compound used as organic layer of organic  
 light emitting device for consumer product e.g. flat panel display, curved  
 display, computer monitor, medical monitor, television, rollable display,  
 and digital camera  
 DC E11; L03; T01; U11; U12; W03; W04; W05  
 IN FLEETHAM T; SULEYMANOVA A  
 PA (UVDI-C) UNIVERSAL DISPLAY CORP  
 CYC 2  
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 20220415; [US 20230286989](#) A1 Provisional [US 2022-363068P](#) 20220415; [US](#)

AN.M 2292-80901  
 SDM E : General Chemicals; V : Simple organic compounds  
 STR



# Repeat strategy in Reaxys databases

No unique records were found compared to HCAplus search

```
=> FILE REAXYSFILESUB; S L1 SSS FULL
```

```
L16          191 SEA SSS FUL L1
```

```
=> FILE REAXYSFILEBIB; S L16 AND P/DT
```

```
          12 L16
      45265362 P/DT
L17          12 L16 AND P/DT

=> TRA L6 PN 1-

L18          TRANSFER L6 1- PN :      22 TERMS
L19          24 L18
L20          QUE  TERMS FROM L18 WITH NO HITS:      3 TERMS

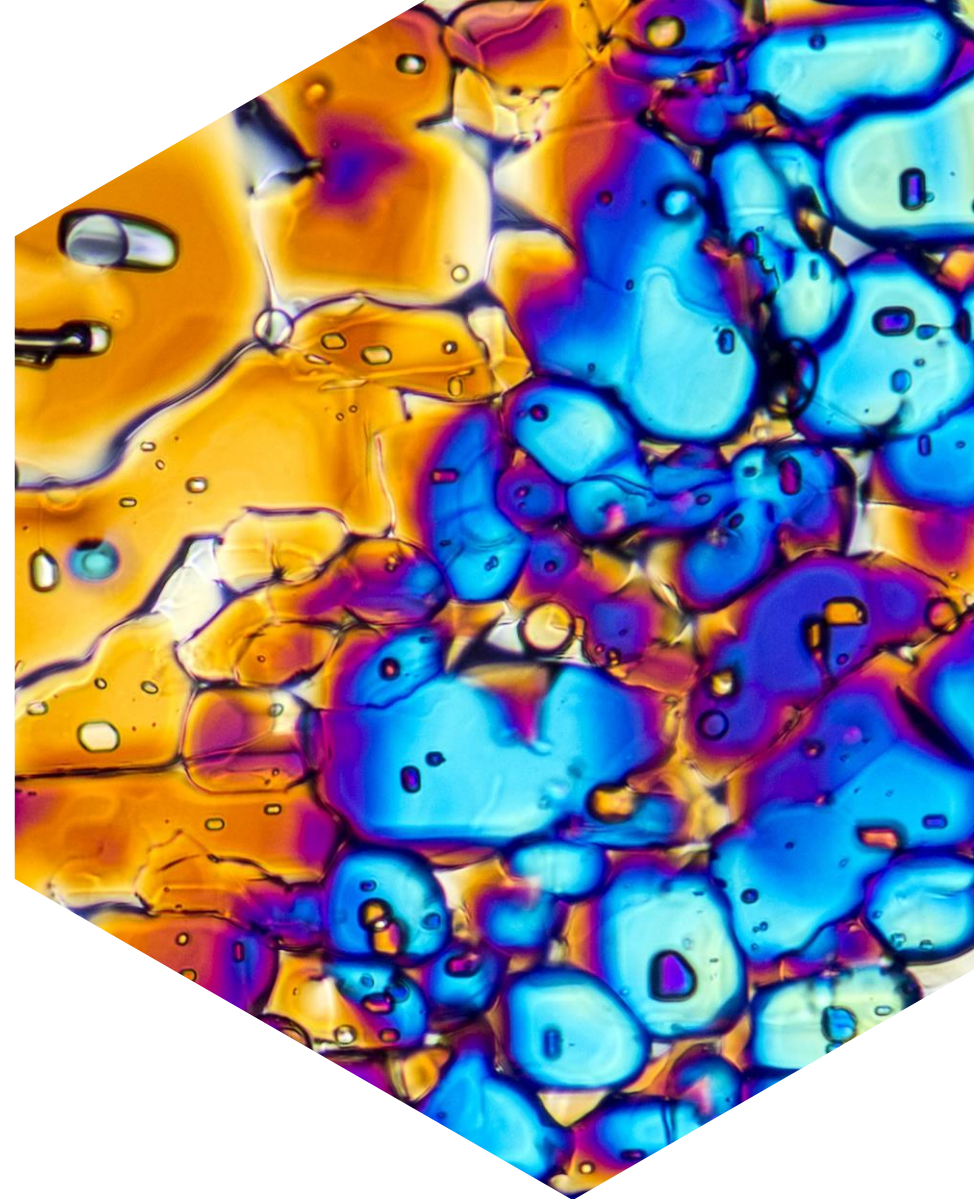
=> S L17 NOT L19

L21          0 L17 NOT L19
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# Agenda

## Strategies for complex chemical structures

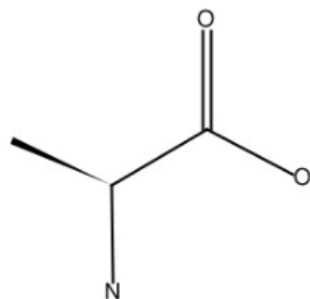
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- Deduplicate patent results
- When to include stereochemistry in Derwent databases
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- Restricting further substitution on VPA rings



# Stereochemistry in DCR

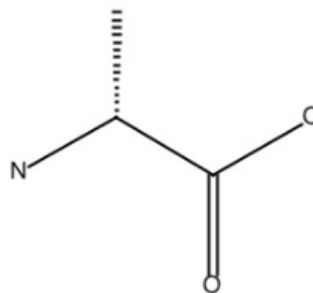
Will include stereochemistry whenever a specific stereoisomer is claimed

L1 ANSWER 1 OF 3 DCR COPYRIGHT 2025 CLARIVATE on STN.  
AN DCR-8757 DCR  
DCSE 8189-2-0-0  
CN.P L-ALANINE  
CN.S 2-Amino-propionic acid  
SY (S)-ALANINE; ABUFENE; ALA-OH; ALANINA; ALANINE; ALANINE, L-;  
ALANINE-L; L-(S)-ALANINE; L-ALANINE



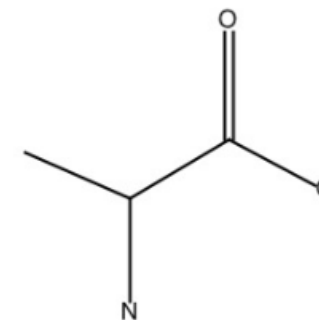
CMT L-stereoisomer  
MF C3 H7 N O2  
ED Entered STN: 26 Apr 1999  
Last updated on STN: 16 Nov 2015  
Update DWPI Cross Ref.: 20 Feb 2025

L1 ANSWER 2 OF 3 DCR COPYRIGHT 2025 CLARIVATE on STN.  
AN DCR-8214 DCR  
DCSE 8189-1-0-0  
CN.P D-ALANINE  
CN.S (R)-2-Amino-propionic acid  
SY ALANINE; ALANINE, D-; ALANINE-D; D-ALANINE; DEXTROALANINE



CMT D-stereoisomer  
MF C3 H7 N O2  
ED Entered STN: 3 Nov 1999  
Last updated on STN: 17 Jul 2024  
Update DWPI Cross Ref.: 4 Feb 2025

L1 ANSWER 3 OF 3 DCR COPYRIGHT 2025 CLARIVATE on STN.  
AN DCR-8189 DCR  
DCSE 8189-0-0-0  
CN.P ALANINE  
SY ALANINE



CMT Unspecified stereoisomer  
MF C3 H7 N O2  
ED Entered STN: 26 Apr 1999  
Last updated on STN: 20 Jun 2022  
Update DWPI Cross Ref.: 20 Feb 2025

# DCR indexing in DWPI

Unique hits for each stereoisomer

=> S DCR-8757/IT

L2            3151 DCR-8757/IT

=> S DCR-8214/IT

L3            1908 DCR-8214/IT

=> S DCR-8189/IT

L4            7945 DCR-8189/IT

=> S L2 OR L3 OR L4

L5            9619 L2 OR L3 OR L4

**DCR-8757** = L- Alanine

**DCR-8214** = D-Alanine

**DCR-8189** = Alanine

**Note:** Be sure to include all stereoisomers for comprehensive searches.

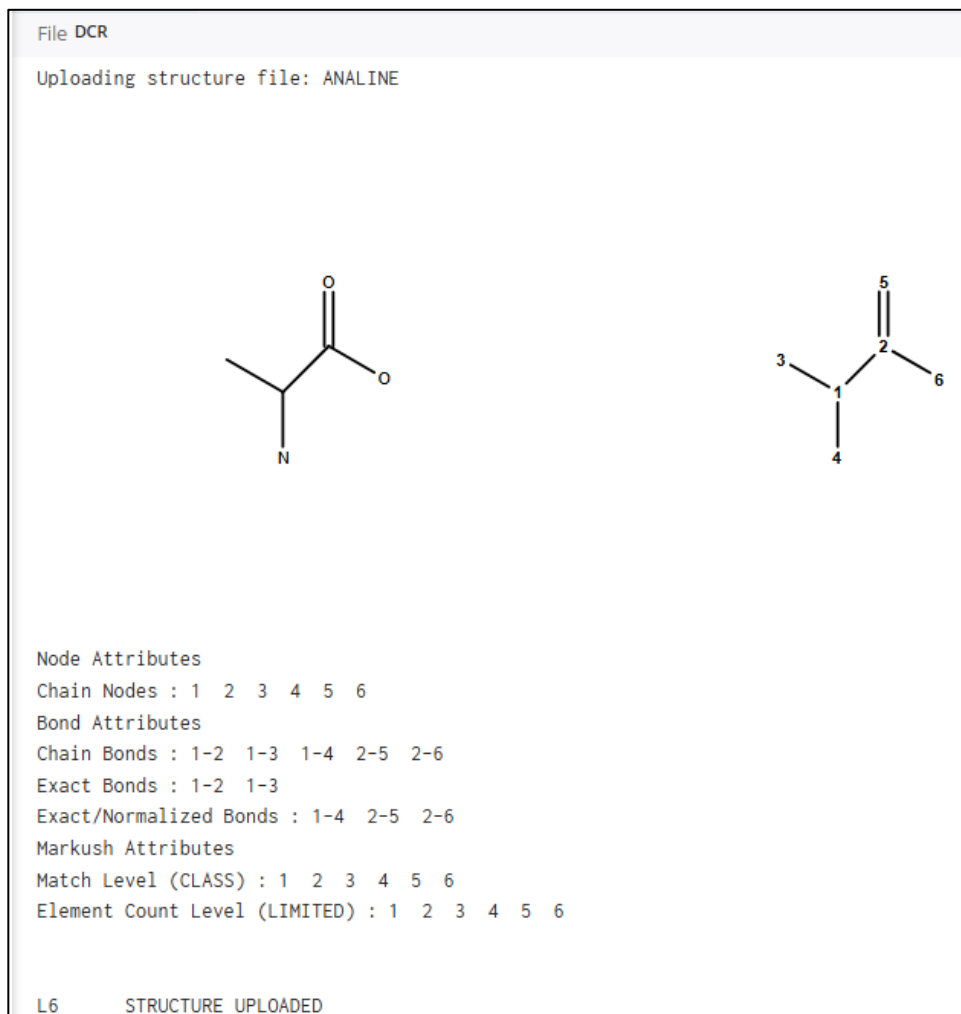
# Structure searching in DCR and DWPIM

All structures are considered flat, even if they show stereochemistry

Drawing a structure flat, or with stereochemistry, will retrieve the same records

# Structure searching in DCR and DWPIM

## The flat version of Alanine



```
=> S L6 EXA FULL

FULL SEARCH INITIATED 12:10:15
FULL SCREEN SEARCH COMPLETED -      0 TO ITERATE

    0.0% PROCESSED    6024235 ITERATIONS    16 ANSWERS
SEARCH TIME: 00.00.05

L7          16 SEA EXA FUL L6

=> S L1 AND L7

L8          3 L1 AND L7

=> S L7 NOT L1

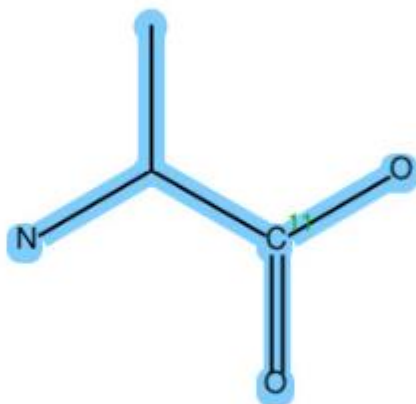
L9          13 L7 NOT L1

=> D 1-2
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# Structure searching in DCR and DWPIM

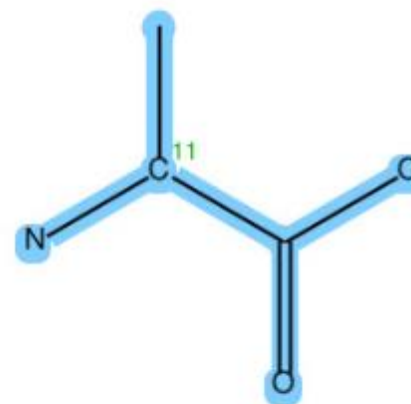
Should these also be included in a search for Alanine?

L9 ANSWER 1 OF 13 DCR COPYRIGHT 2025 CLARIVATE on STN.  
AN DCR-6133476 DCR  
DCSE 8189-0-0-12



CMT Isotope labelled  
MF C3 H7 N O2  
ED Entered STN: 25 Jan 2023  
Last updated on STN: 25 Jan 2023  
Update DWPI Cross Ref.: 25 Jan 2023

L9 ANSWER 2 OF 13 DCR COPYRIGHT 2025 CLARIVATE on STN.  
AN DCR-6133475 DCR  
DCSE 8189-0-0-11

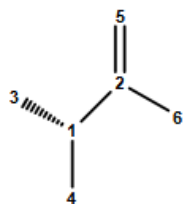
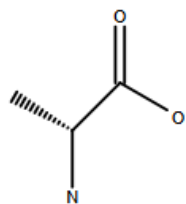


CMT Isotope labelled  
MF C3 H7 N O2  
ED Entered STN: 25 Jan 2023  
Last updated on STN: 25 Jan 2023  
Update DWPI Cross Ref.: 25 Jan 2023

# Structure searching in DCR and DWPIM

## The D version of Alanine

Uploading structure file: D-ANALINE



### Node Attributes

Chain Nodes : 1 2 3 4 5 6

### Bond Attributes

Chain Bonds : 1-2 1-3 1-4 2-5 2-6

Exact Bonds : 1-2 1-3

Exact/Normalized Bonds : 1-4 2-5 2-6

### Markush Attributes

Match Level (CLASS) : 1 2 3 4 5 6

Element Count Level (LIMITED) : 1 2 3 4 5 6

L10 STRUCTURE UPLOADED

=> S L10 EXA FULL

FULL SEARCH INITIATED 12:21:03

FULL SCREEN SEARCH COMPLETED - 0 TO ITERATE

0.0% PROCESSED 6024235 ITERATIONS

16 ANSWERS

SEARCH TIME: 00.00.05

L11 16 SEA EXA FUL L10

=> S L1 AND L11

L12 3 L1 AND L11

=> S L11 AND L7

L13 16 L11 AND L7

# Stereochemistry considerations

If you must ...

If you wish to be comprehensive, structure searching should be considered

Isotopes, stereochemistry, etc.

Searching for a substance record with stereochemistry requires some finesse

Part of a chemical name (/CN vs. /CNS)

Frag code (for subscribers)

# Chemical name vs. chemical name segment

=> S (D (W) ALANINE)/CNS

278627 D/CNS

206 ALANINE/CNS

L15 13 (D (W) ALANINE)/CNS

=> D KWIC 1-4

L15 ANSWER 1 OF 13 DCR COPYRIGHT 2025 CLARIVATE on STN.

CN.P D-ALANYL-D-ALANINE CARBOXYPEPTIDASE, FRACTION B

SY D-ALANYL-D-ALANINE CARBOXYPEPTIDASE, FRACTION B;  
D-ALANYL-D-ALANINE-CARBOXYPEPTIDASE-FRACTION-B; EC-3.40.710.10

L15 ANSWER 2 OF 13 DCR COPYRIGHT 2025 CLARIVATE on STN.

CN.P D-ALANYL-D-ALANINE-CARBOXYPEPTIDASE

SY D-ALANYL D-ALANINE CARBOXYPEPTIDASE;  
D-ALANYL-D-ALANINE-CARBOXYPEPTIDASE; E.C-3.4.16.4

L15 ANSWER 3 OF 13 DCR COPYRIGHT 2025 CLARIVATE on STN.

CN.P N-METHYL-D-ALANINE

SY N-METHYL-D-ALANINE

L15 ANSWER 4 OF 13 DCR COPYRIGHT 2025 CLARIVATE on STN.

SY (D-MEALA)3-(ETVAL)4-CSA; (D-MEALA)3-(ETVAL)4-CYCLOSPORIN-A;  
(D-MEALA)3-(ETVAL)4-CYCLOSPORINE-A;  
8-(N-METHYL-D-ALA), 9-(N-ETHYL-VAL)CYCLOSPORINE;  
8-(N-METHYL-D-ALANINE), 9-(N-ETHYL-VALINE)CYCLOSPORINE; ALISPORIVIR

=> D KWIC

L17 ANSWER 1 OF 1 DCR COPYRIGHT 2025 CLARIVATE on STN.

CN.P D-ALANINE

SY ALANINE; ALANINE, D-; ALANINE-D; D-ALANINE; DEXTROALANINE

# Derwent fragmentation code strategy

Derwent auto-generated script for Alanine without M800 code

Edit Script

ANALINE\_FragCode\_01

Check your script with the validate button.

Save As

Validate

```
1 =>s (M416(P)H181(P)J171(P)M331(P)M620)/M0,M2,M3,M4 \>_line1
2 =>s _line1(P)(M312(P)M321(P)M340(P)M342(P)(M381 OR M380)(P)M391(P)M280)/M0,M2,M3,M4
  \>_line2
3 =>s _line2(P)(H100(P)J011(P)M349)/M0,M2,M3,M4 \>_line3
4 =>s (_line1(P)M900/M0) OR (_line1(P)M901/M2,M3,M4) OR (_line2(P)M902/M2,M3,M4) OR
  _line3 \>_line4
5 =>s _line4(NOTP)(H2 OR H3 OR H4 OR H5 OR H6 OR H7 OR H8 OR H9 OR J2 OR J3 OR J4 OR
  J5 OR J9 OR K0 OR M1)/M2,M3,M4 \>_line5
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7
8 \* FragCode Descriptions
9 \* H100 - 1 PRIMARY AMINE (N-ATOM not in a ring)
10 \* H181 - 1 AMINO GROUP BONDED TO C-ATOM OF ALIPHATIC GROUP
11 \* H2 - SET H2: RING TERTIARY NITROGEN ESSENTIAL
12 \* H3 - SET H3: NITRO ESSENTIAL
13 \* H4 - SET H4: -OH OR-SH ESSENTIAL
```

Validation

Success

No errors detected

Run

Save

Cancel

# Alanine script run in WPIX

No M800 code

```
=> s (M416(P)H181(P)J171(P)M331(P)M620)/M0,M2,M3,M4
```

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4297 M416/M0
560648 M416/M2
746822 M416/M3
2590 M416/M4
13261 H181/M0
551301 H181/M2
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549448 M1/M2
244837 M1/M3
74582 M1/M4
L22 30653 L21(NOTP)(H2 OR H3 OR H4 OR H5 OR H6 OR H7 OR H8 OR H9 OR J2 OR
      J3 OR J4 OR J5 OR J9 OR K0 OR M1)/M2,M3,M4
```

# Derwent fragmentation code strategy

Derwent auto-generated script for Alanine with M800 code manually added

Edit Script

ANALINE\_FragCode\_01

Check your script with the validate button.

Save As





Validate

1 =>s (M416(P)H181(P)J171(P)M331(P)M620)/M0,M2,M3,M4 \>\_line1

2 =>s \_line1(P)(M312(P)M321(P)M340(P)M342(P)(M381 OR M380)(P)M391(P)M280)/M0,M2,M3,M4 \>\_line2

3 =>s \_line2(P)(H100(P)J011(P)M349(P)M800)/M0,M2,M3,M4 \>\_line3

4 =>s (\_line1(P)M900/M0) OR (\_line1(P)M901/M2,M3,M4) OR (\_line2(P)M902/M2,M3,M4) OR \_line3 \>\_line4

5 =>s \_line4(NOTP)(H2 OR H3 OR H4 OR H5 OR H6 OR H7 OR H8 OR H9 OR J2 OR J3 OR J4 OR J5 OR J9 OR K0 OR M1)/M2,M3,M4 \>\_line5

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10 \\* H181 - 1 AMINO GROUP BONDED TO C-ATOM OF ALIPHATIC GROUP

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13 \\* H4 - SET H4: -OH OR-SH ESSENTIAL

Validation

Success

No errors detected

Run

Save

Cancel

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# Alanine script run in WPIX

Including M800 fragmentation code

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=> s (M416(P)H181(P)J171(P)M331(P)M620)/M0,M2,M3,M4
```

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560648 M416/M2  
746822 M416/M3  
2590 M416/M4  
13261 H181/M0  
551301 H181/M2
```

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549448 M1/M2  
244837 M1/M3  
74582 M1/M4  
L27 3660 L26(NOTP)(H2 OR H3 OR H4 OR H5 OR H6 OR H7 OR H8 OR H9 OR J2 OR  
J3 OR J4 OR J5 OR J9 OR K0 OR M1)/M2,M3,M4
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# Stereochemistry searching in Derwent databases

Structure searching captures all records with stereochemistry, whether the structure was drawn flat or with stereochemistry

When stereochemistry is a must for the search strategy –

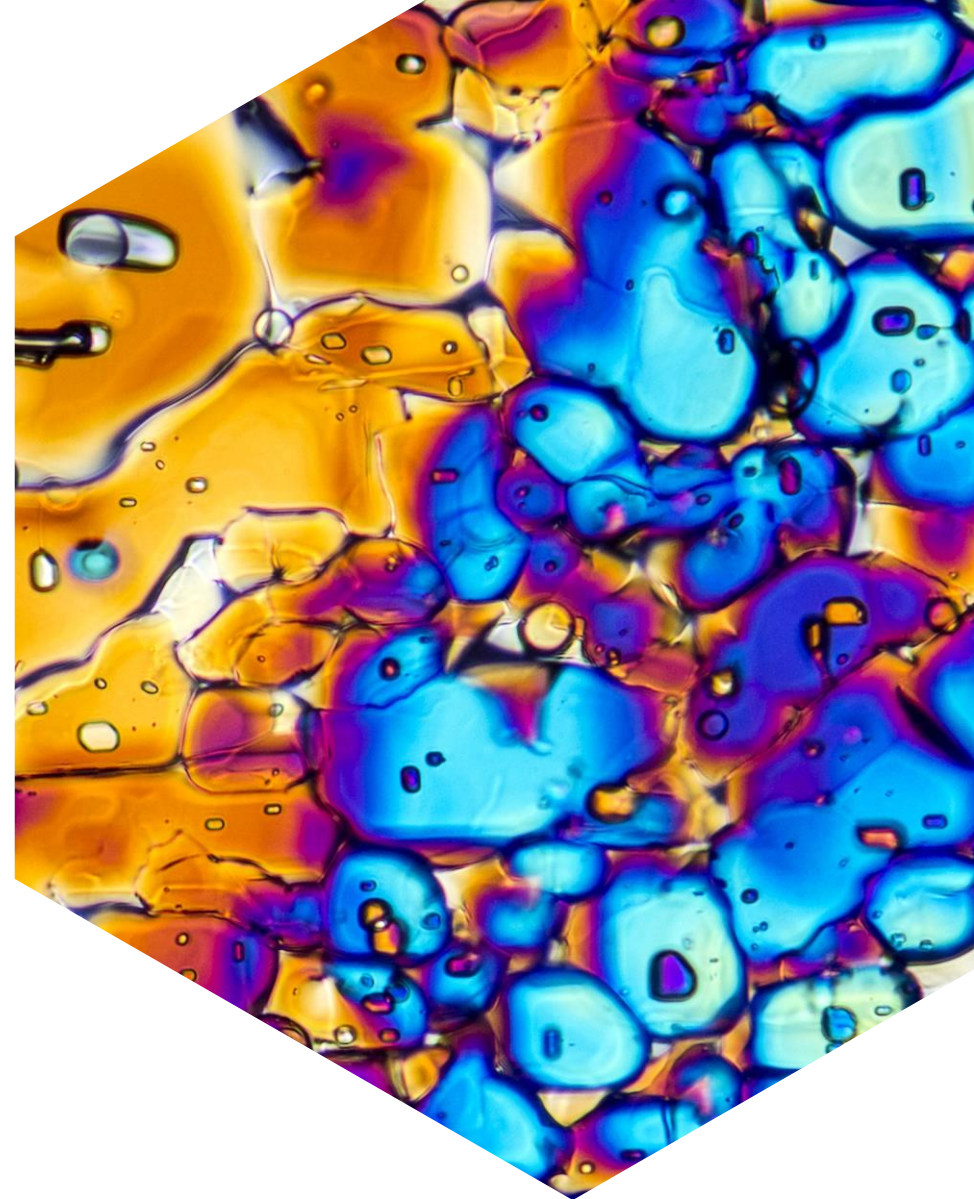
- Consider chemical name/chemical name segment searching

- M800 fragmentation code for Derwent subscribers

# Agenda

## Strategies for complex chemical structures

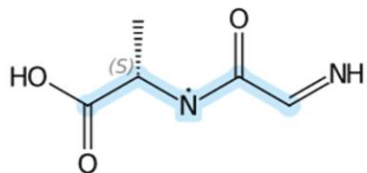
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# Unusual charges or radicals

How to specifically search for these compounds

RN 1260679-31-9 REGISTRY  
ED Entered STN: 27 Jan 2011  
CN Amidogen, [(1S)-1-carboxyethyl](2-iminoacetyl)- (CA INDEX NAME)  
OTHER CA INDEX NAMES:  
CN [(1S)-1-Carboxyethyl](2-iminoacetyl)amidogen  
FS STEREOSEARCH  
MF C5 H7 N2 O3  
SR CA  
LC STN Files: CA, CAPLUS

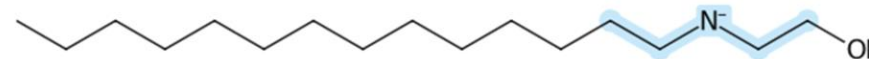


Absolute stereochemistry shown

RN 2228844-87-7 REGISTRY  
ED Entered STN: 28 Jun 2018  
CN Aminylium, bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)- (CA INDEX NAME)  
OTHER CA INDEX NAMES:  
CN Bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)aminylium  
MF C8 H18 N  
SR CA  
LC STN Files: CA, CAPLUS



RN 2918190-33-5 REGISTRY  
ED Entered STN: 29 Mar 2023  
CN Ethanol, 2-(tetradecylamino)-, ion(1-) (CA INDEX NAME)  
MF C16 H34 N O  
SR CA  
LC STN Files: CA, CAPLUS



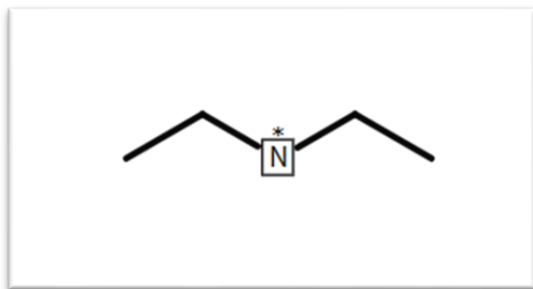
# Structure search used for these results

Important to define bonds as exact not exact/normalized

Bonds from N-C should be Exact to avoid finding normal amides in a substructure search

Nitrogen is locked against further substitution

Nitrogen has a H-attachment of Exact zero to avoid getting normal secondary amines



| Node Attributes    |                                        |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Hydrogen Count     | <input type="radio"/> Any              |
| Markush Attributes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Exact |
| Mass               | <input type="radio"/> Minimum          |
| Node Type          | } 0 (0 to 99)                          |
| Non-Hydrogen Count |                                        |
| Valency            |                                        |

This retrieves radicals and any compound with a nitrogen charge

# Looking for specific variations

## How to search for a presence of a radical

For positively or negatively charged compounds, use one of the icons in the structure editor to apply these



Radicals do not have a charge, but they would have an unusual valence on the nitrogen

Valence can be defined as an attribute to the nitrogen node

A amidogen node would have a valence of 2

Applying this would retrieve 112 compounds

Of these, 100 were named Amidogen. Could also see “free radical form” in the name

# Charges and radicals in other files

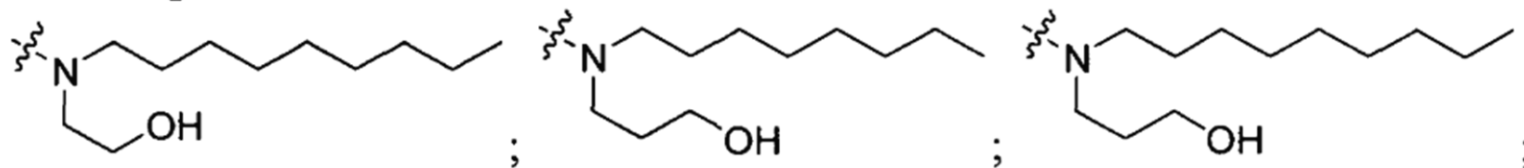
## DCR and ReaxysfileSub

Registry produced 211 compounds, including 112 radicals, 44 positively charged and 49 negatively charged compounds

DCR produced 10 compounds, all being radicals

ReaxysfileSub produced 4,320 charged and radicals, but the majority are from incorrect interpretation of algorithmic curation of journals and patents, for example in WO2019036008:

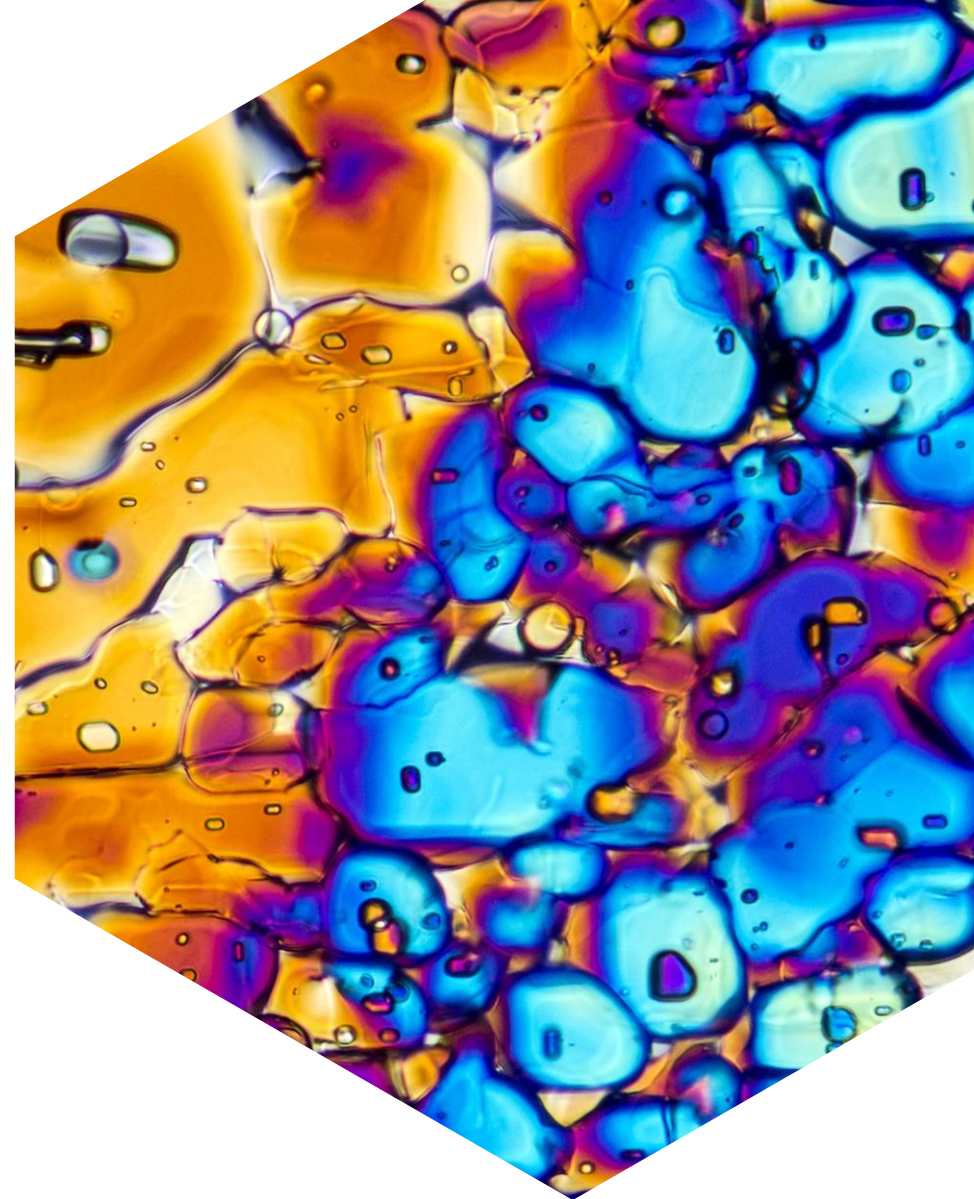
30. The compound of any one of claims 1-29, wherein  $R^3$  has one of the following structures:



# Agenda

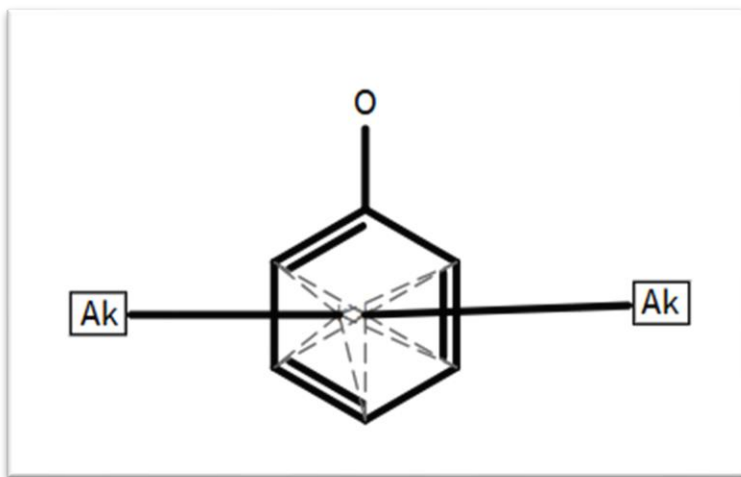
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# Restrict further substitution on Ring

Would be interested in finding dialkylphenols where the oxygen may have any further substituent, but no further substitution on the phenyl ring

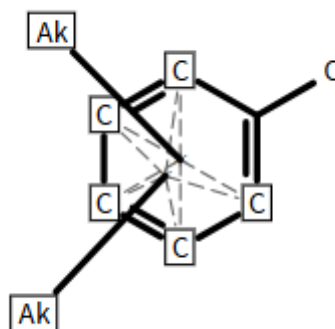
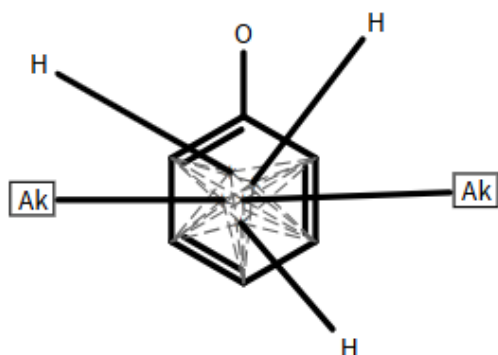


Searched as such, this query retrieves 1.7 mil compounds in Registry

# What doesn't work

Cannot combine with an atom lock or add more hydrogens

Adding more VPA hydrogen nodes or locking VPA locations doesn't produce the correct results in Registry:

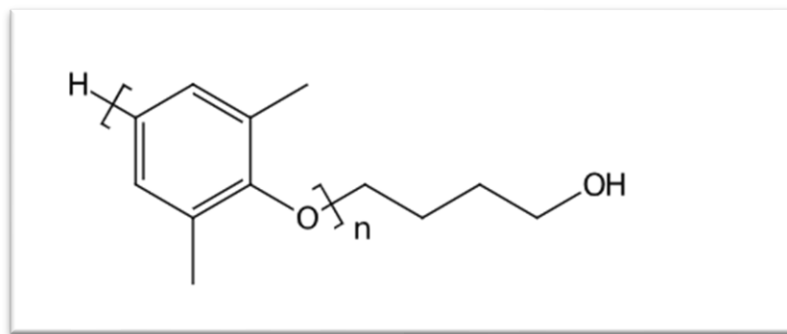
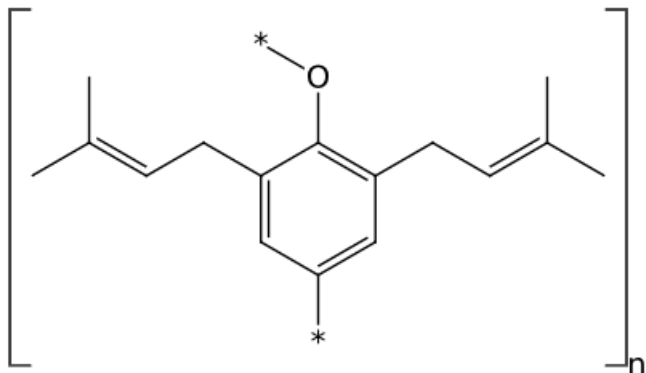


Structure on the right gives good results in DCR and ReaxysfileSub

# Run a Closed Substructure Search

Open the Oxygen with non-H attachment Minimum 1

The closed substructure search still brings in some unexpected results:



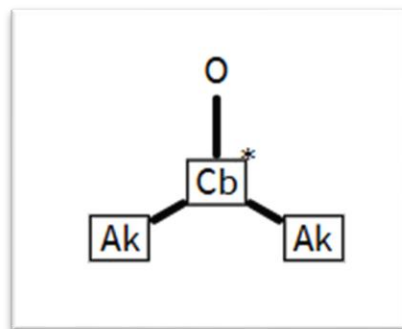
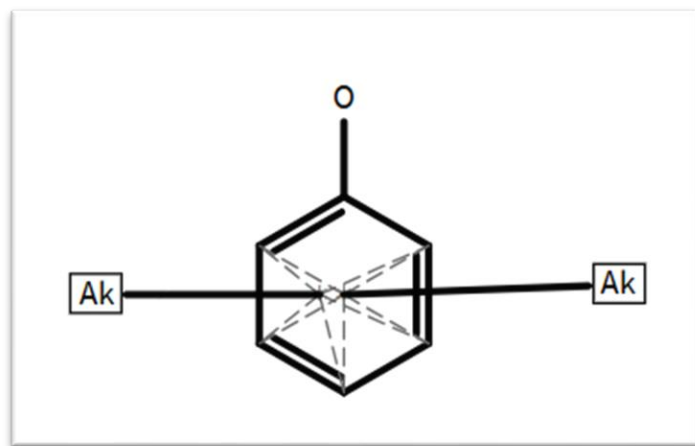
Where a polymer repeating group creates the 4<sup>th</sup> attachment (left)

It does include a compound with a hard-coded Hydrogen (right)

# Some options to restrict further substitution

Combine with a generic representation of this structure

Create a second L-number where the phenyl ring is reduced to a generic Cb group with 6 carbon atoms, unsaturated and monocyclic, which can then be locked against further substitution



619009 S L5 AND L4 SSS FUL

# Prepared but not intermediate products

## Linking and Not-linking roles

FILE 'REGISTRY' ENTERED AT 16:50:13 ON 26 FEB 2025

L3            619077 S L1 AND L2 SSS FUL

L4            619070 S L3/COM

L5            92035 S L4 AND CAPLUS/LC

FILE 'CAPLUS' ENTERED AT 16:51:23 ON 26 FEB 2025

L6            29671 S L5/PREP

L7            26735 S L5/PREP(NOTL)RACT/RL

# PREP not-linked to RACT

Find docs where an RN is linked to PREP, but not also to RACT



TI Phenol compound, poly(phenylene ether), curable composition, cured product, and electronic component

PI JP 2025006572 A 20250117

IT 3025233-87-5 P

RL: IMF (Industrial manufacture); PRP (Properties); TEM (Technical or engineered material use); **PREP (Preparation)**; USES (Uses)

(phenol compd., poly(phenylene ether), curable compn., cured product, and electronic component)



IT 3025233-83-1 P 3025233-84-2 P 3068200-73-4 P 3068200-75-6 P

RL: IMF (Industrial manufacture); RCT (Reactant); **PREP**

**(Preparation)**; **RACT (Reactant or reagent)**

(phenol compd., poly(phenylene ether), curable compn., cured product, and electronic component)

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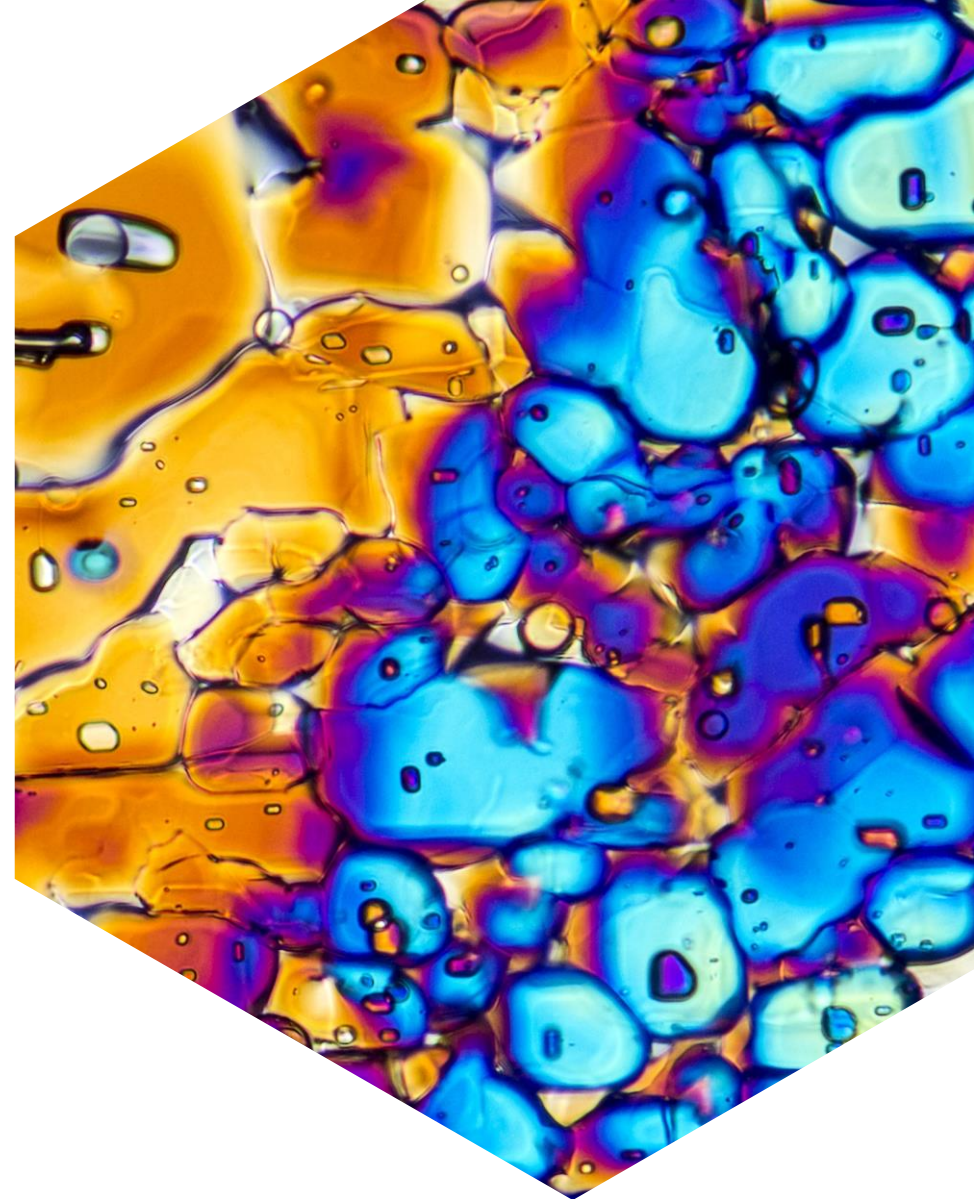
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L7 26735 S L5/PREP(NOTL)RACT/RL

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