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Re-energising Small Molecule Drug Discovery by Centaur Chemist

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# 90%

of all drugs are small molecules



# 50%

of clinical trials are for small molecules







Typical time to identify a drug candidate



Typical number of compounds to move from idea to candidate Yet small molecule discovery remains inefficient and has not adopted the approaches advancing other fields



5 years; typical industry value Paul et al How to Improve R&D Productivity 2010 Nature Rev Drug Discovery



Exscientia's AI systems directly challenge pharma industry preconceptions of acceptable productivity

# Exscientia Objective



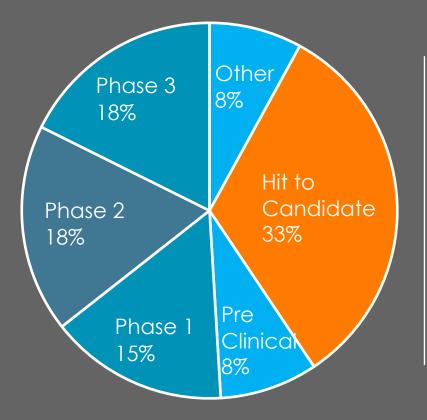




**1**.5 Years

5 years and 2500 compounds are typical industry values Paul et al How to Improve R&D Productivity 2010 Nature Rev Drug Discovery





### HIT TO CANDIDATE

#### MOST EXPENSIVE PART OF DRUG DISCOVERY

Largest opportunity to improve productivity

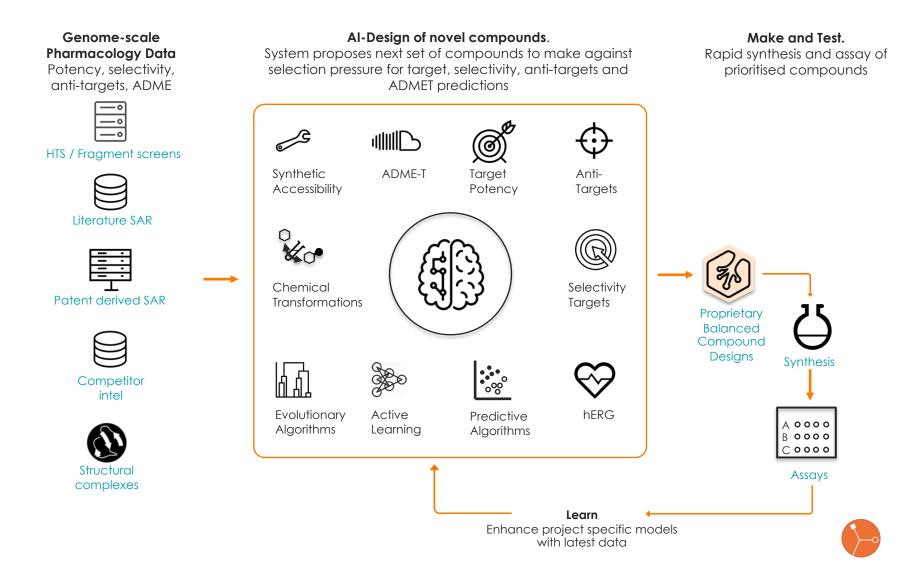


COSTS PER LAUNCHED DRUG

# Al platform at Exscientia

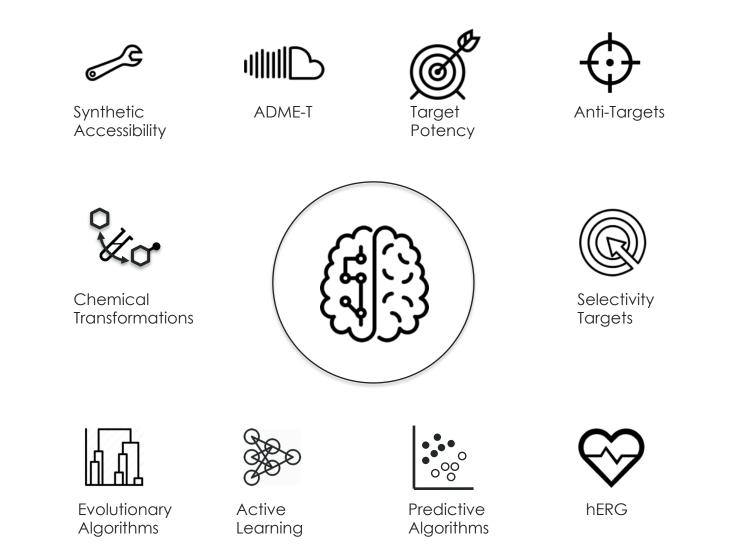


### Al-Design, Make, Test Proprietary system delivers novel patentable compounds for each design cycle



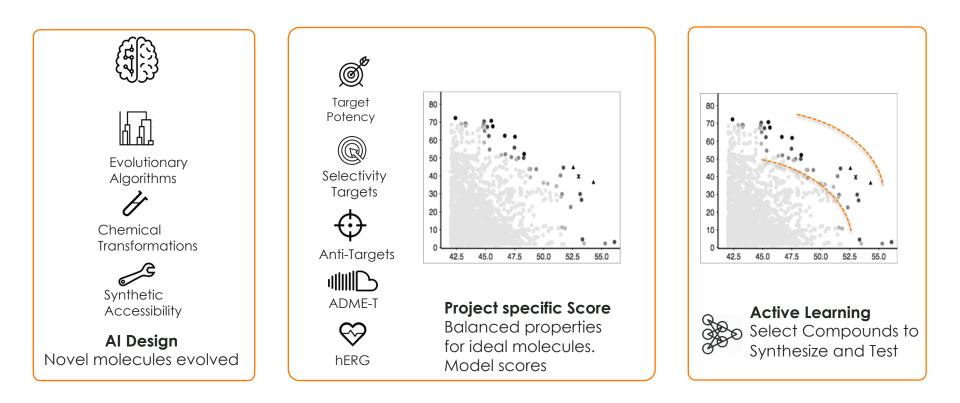
## AI Design

Proprietary system delivers novel patentable compounds for each design cycle



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# AI-DESIGN AND HUMAN **CENTAUR DRUG DESIGN**





# The Rise of Artificial Intelligence

#### March 1997 Kasparov loses to IBM Deep Blue



#### March 2016 Lee Se-dol loses to alphaGo





## The Rise of Centaur Intelligence Centaur: Human + Machine

2013

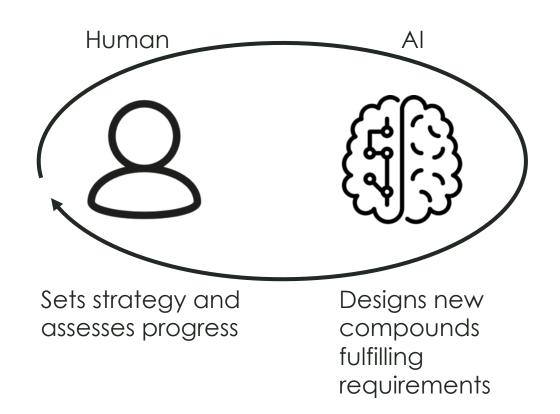
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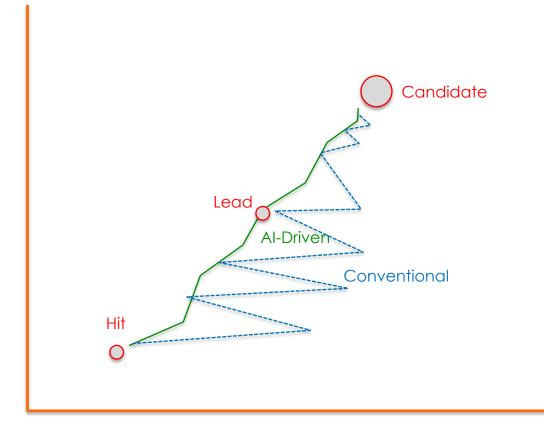
## The Centaur Chemist To Transform Drug Discovery Productivity

Centaur Chemist





### Efficient Drug Discovery Combining 'Man, Machine and Process'







#### **PSYCHIATRIC DRUG DESIGN**

FIRST IN CLASS DUAL AGONIST

**COLLABORATION WITH SUMITOMO DAINIPPON** 

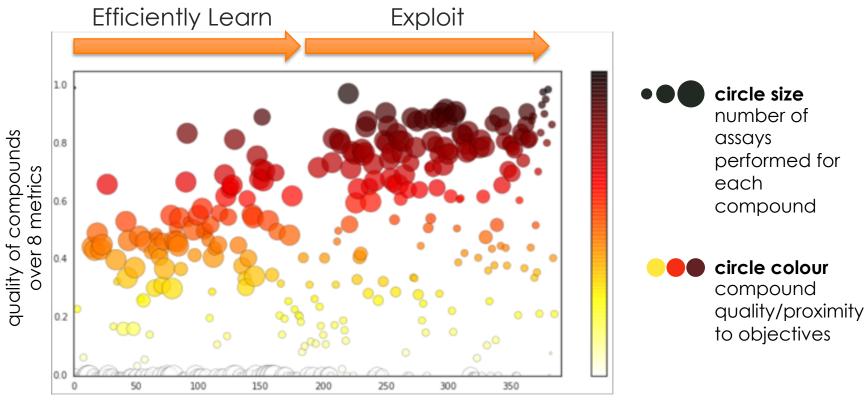
ADENOSINERGIC IMMUNO-ONCOLOGY
A2A SELECTIVE ANTAGONIST

**COLLABORATION WITH EVOTEC** 



## Rapid pre-clinical candidate discovery

- Bispecific project with Sumitomo Dainippon Pharma
- <400 compounds synthesized and assayed</p>
- 12 month discovery project, concept to candidate

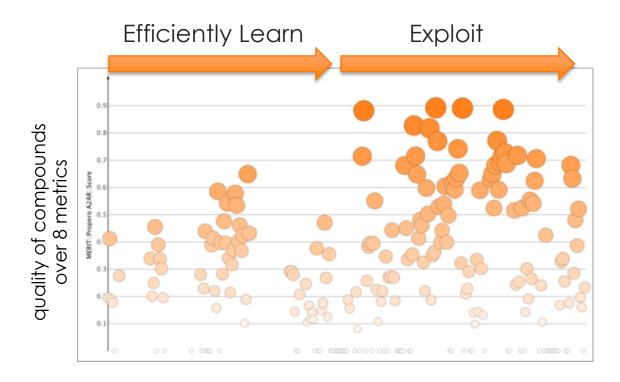


compounds synthesised over 12 months



## Another rapid discovery example

- ✤ 50:50 joint ownership with Evotec
- Best-in-class A2a selective antagonist for immuno-oncology
- Novel IP in crowded space
- Fragments to pre-clinical candidate; 225 compounds







# DESIGNING DRUGS WITH AI SUMMARY



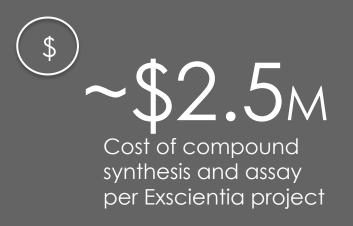
# Exscientia Productivity Metrics



Consistent project delivery with Exscientia AI platform



Rapid discovery reduces Cost of Capital and accelerates molecules to the clinic





Capital Efficient delivery of concept to candidate chemistry



Artificial Intelligence will not replace chemists.

But chemists who don't use AI will be replaced by those who do.





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