

Theoretical Calculations to Assist Experimental Crystal Form Screening

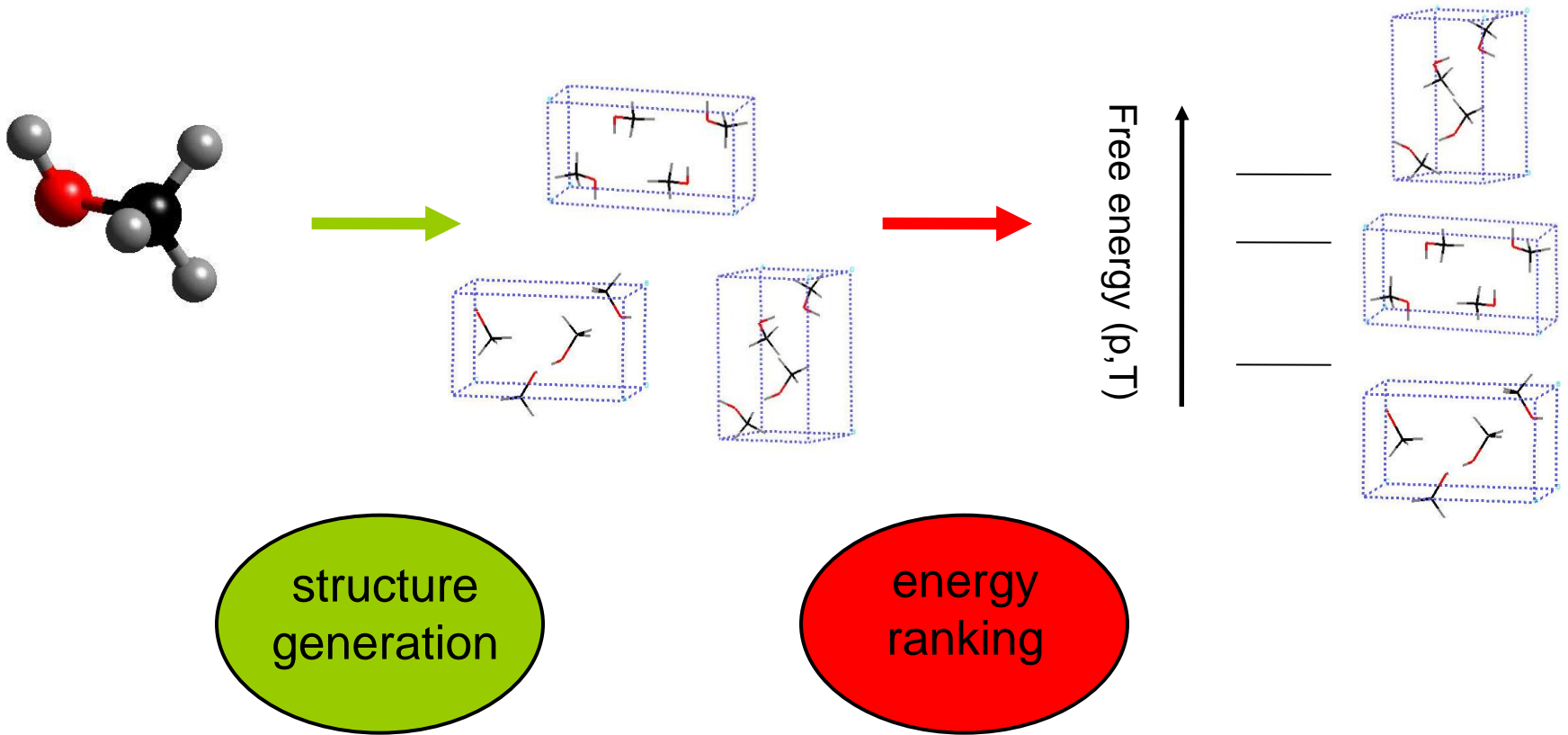


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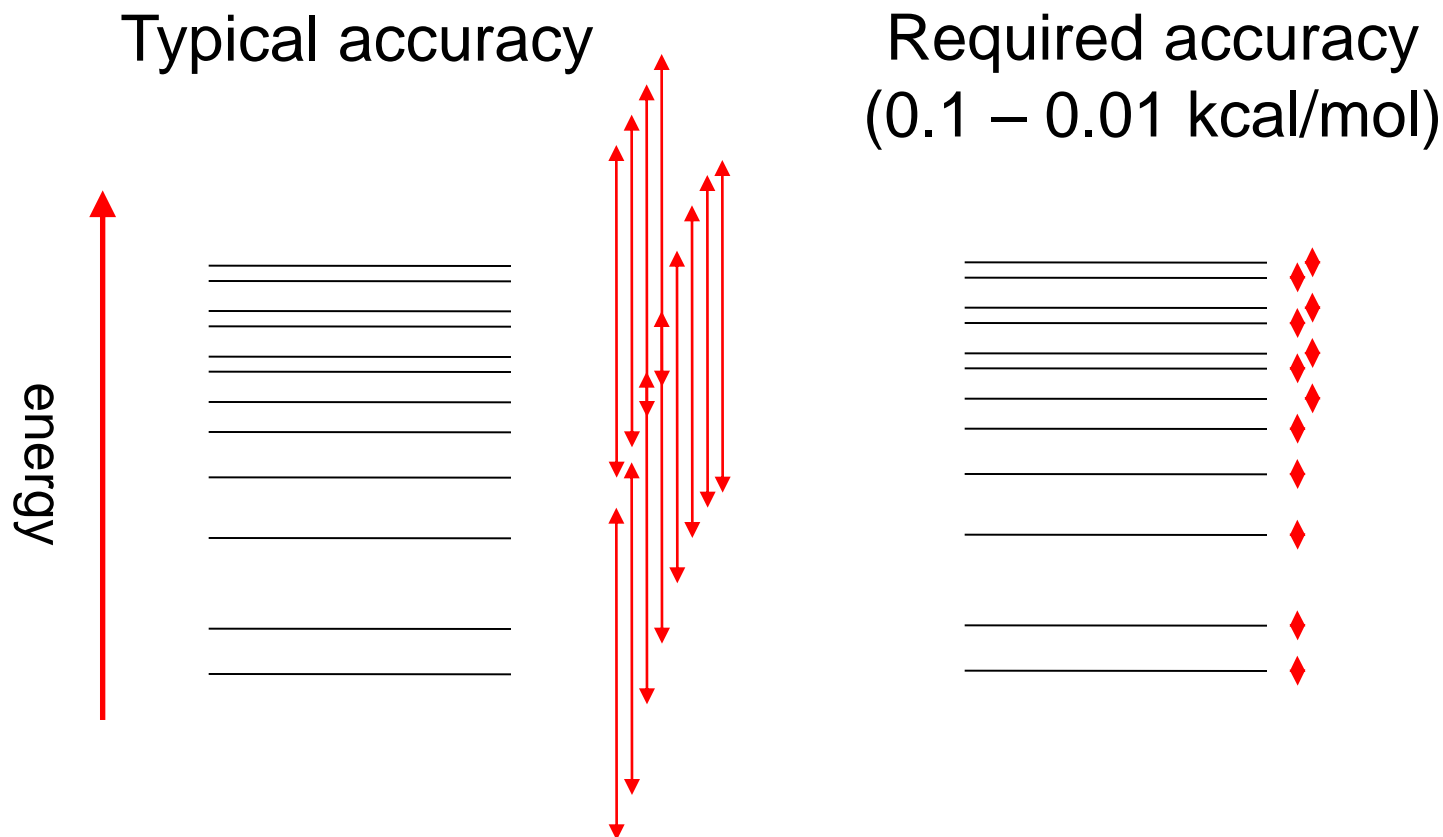
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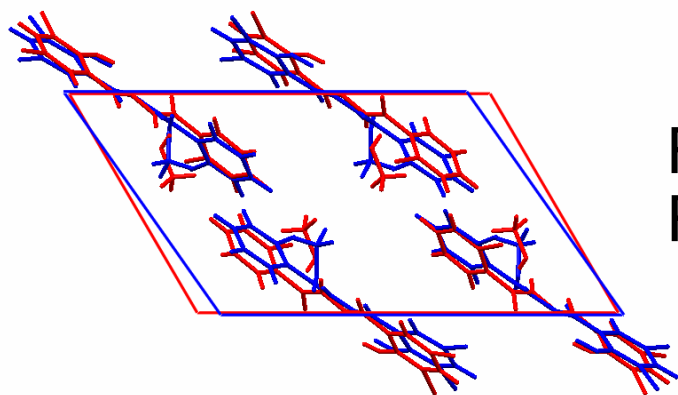
Crystal Structure Prediction: Basics



Why Force Fields Do not Work



Dispersion-corrected DFT (DFT-D)

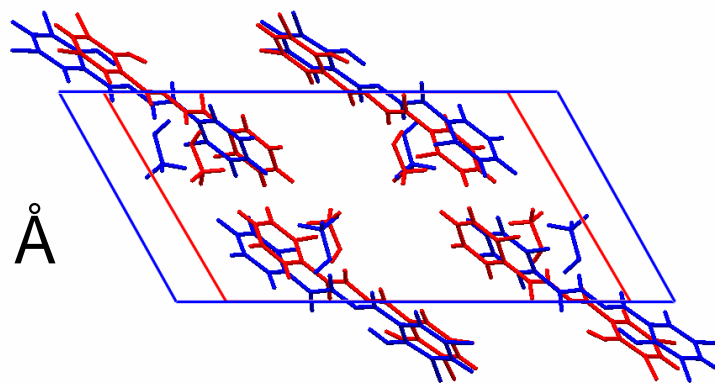


Force fields...
RMS = 0.497 Å

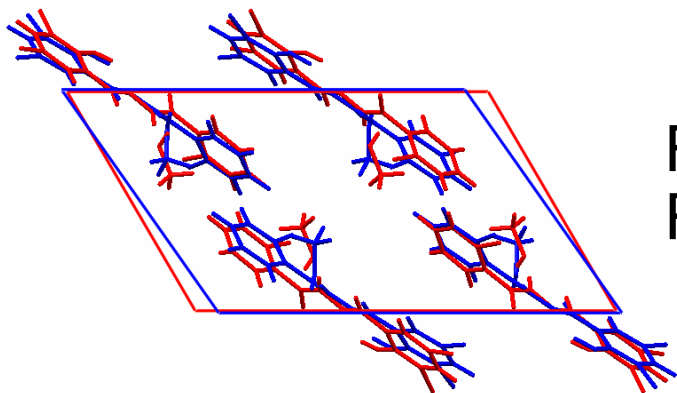
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— Experiment

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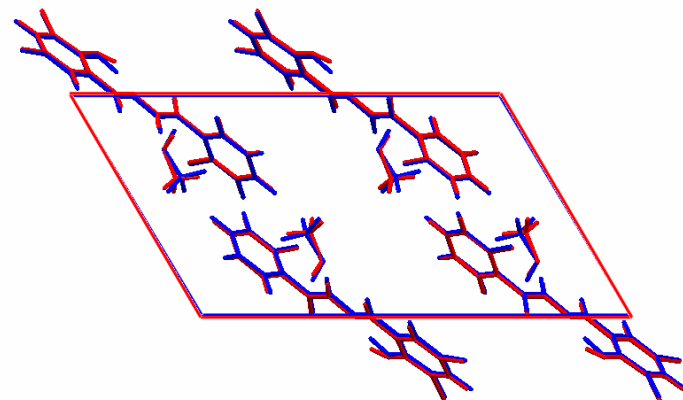
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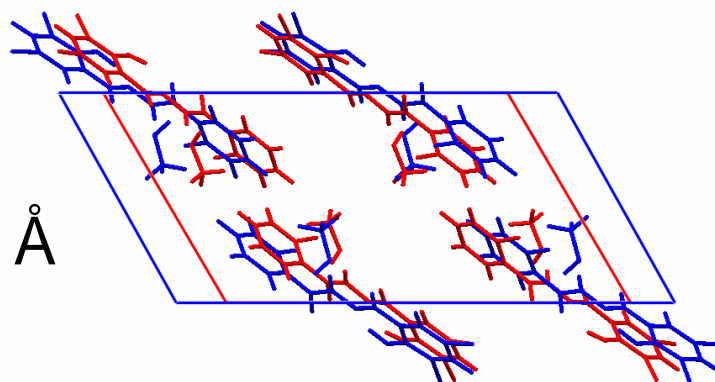
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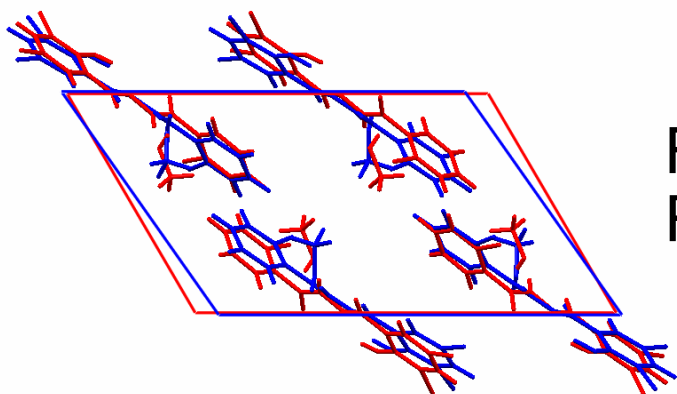
Dispersion-corrected DFT...
RMS = 0.084 Å



Pure DFT...
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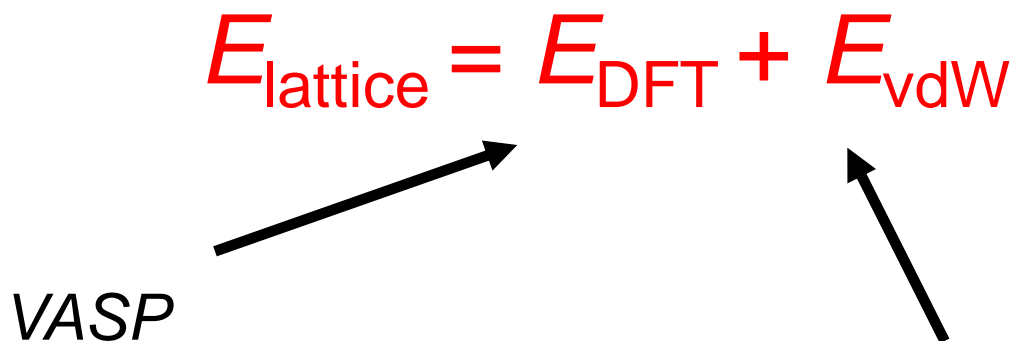


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Dispersion-corrected DFT (DFT-D)

$$E_{\text{lattice}} = E_{\text{DFT}} + E_{\text{vdW}}$$

VASP



- PAW potentials
- Plane-wave basis set
- GGA – PW91 / GGA – PBE
- 520 eV energy cut-off
- 0.07 Å⁻¹ k-point spacing
- Pair potentials
- Element dependent
- Hybridisation dependent
- $-C_6 \cdot r^6$

“0 K” calculations, no free energies

Crystal Structure Generation

Parallel tempering Monte-Carlo algorithm

Tailor-made force field: accurate force field, fitted to artificial DFT-D reference data for each compound

One and two independent molecules in all 230 space groups

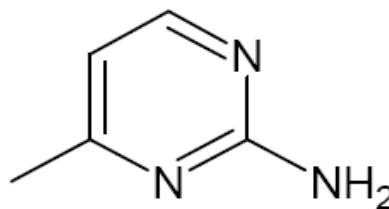
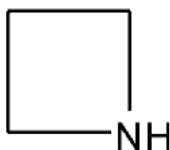
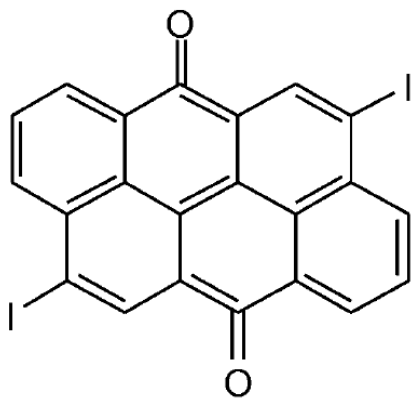
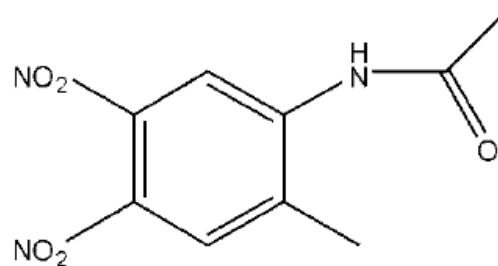
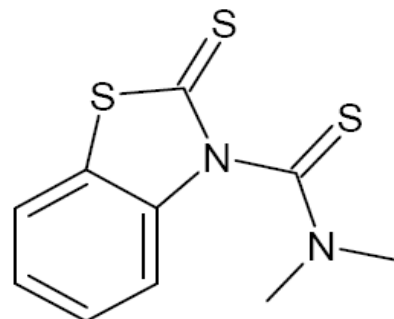
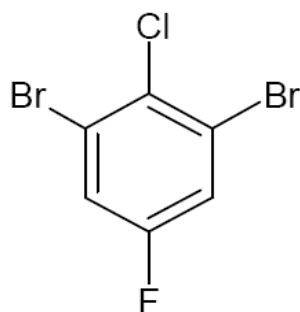
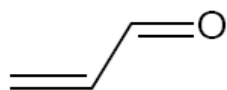
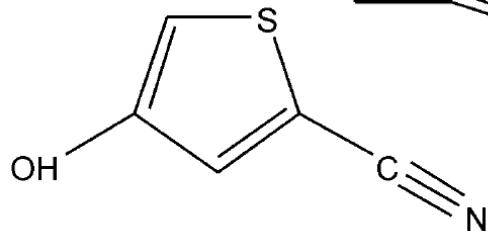
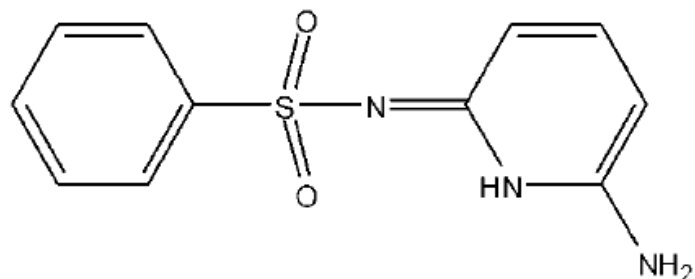
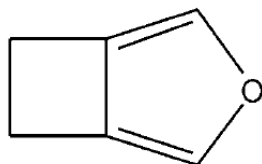
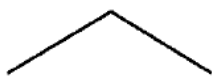
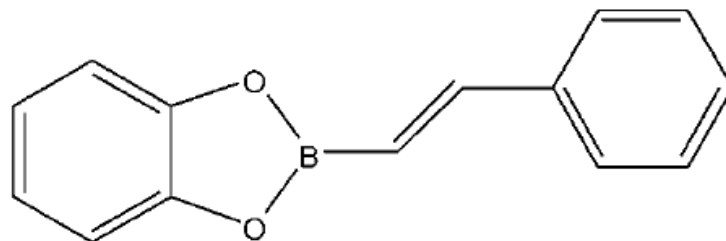
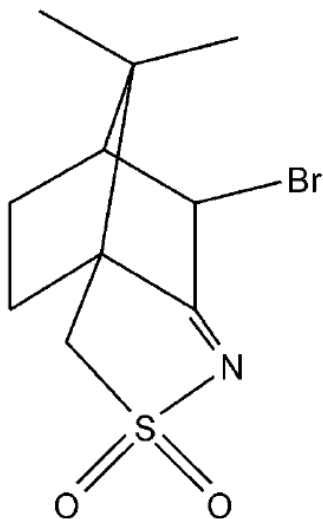
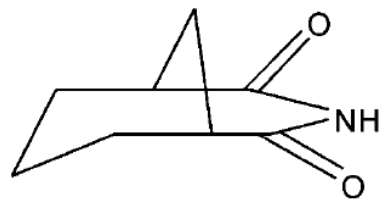
Examples: Blind Tests

Crystal Structure Prediction Blind Tests:

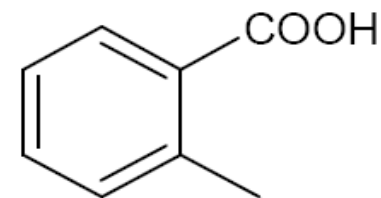
Blind Tests in 1999, 2001, 2004, 2007 and 2010

Good compounds for validation

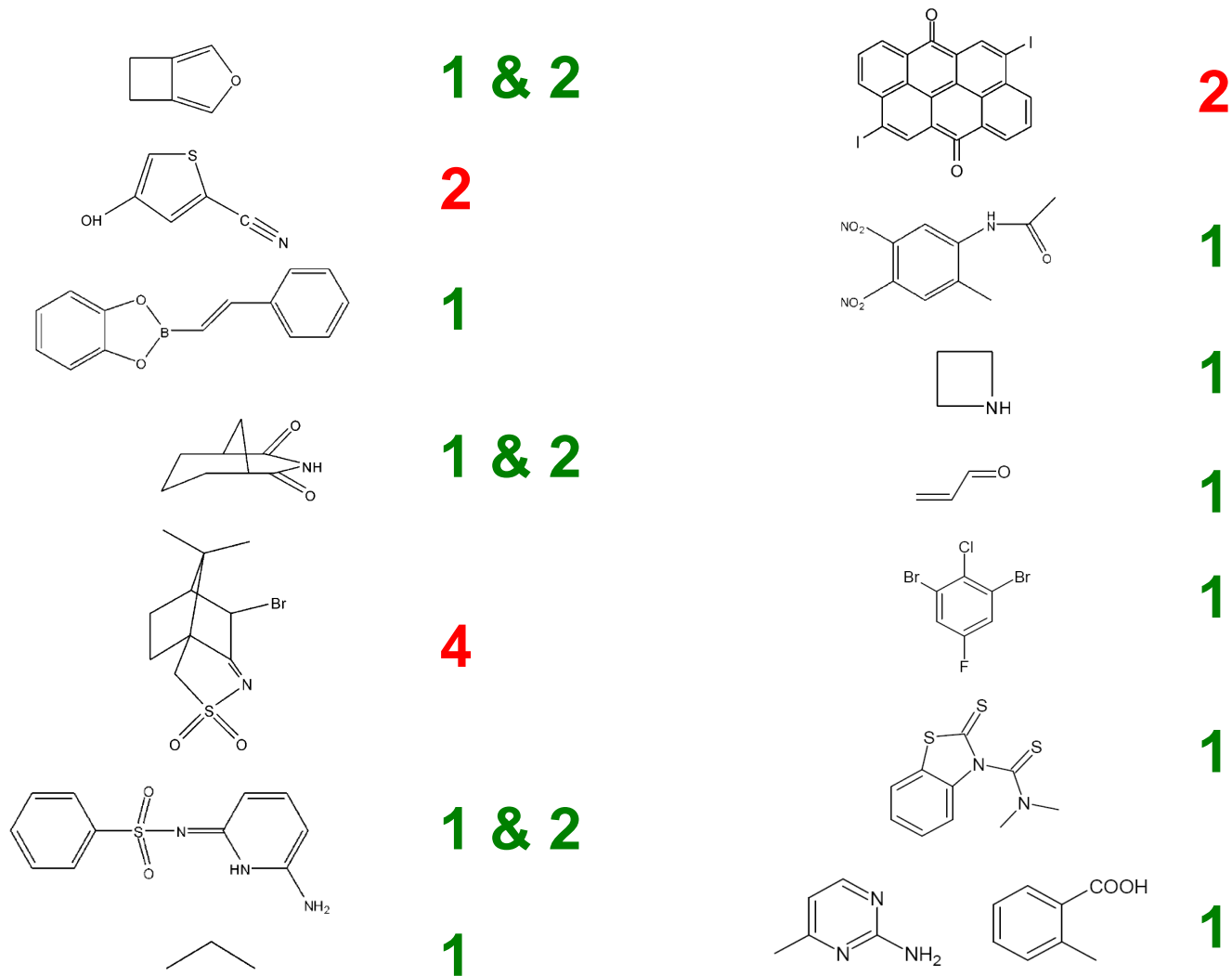
Previous Blind Test Compounds



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Ranking Results (*NOT* Full Studies)

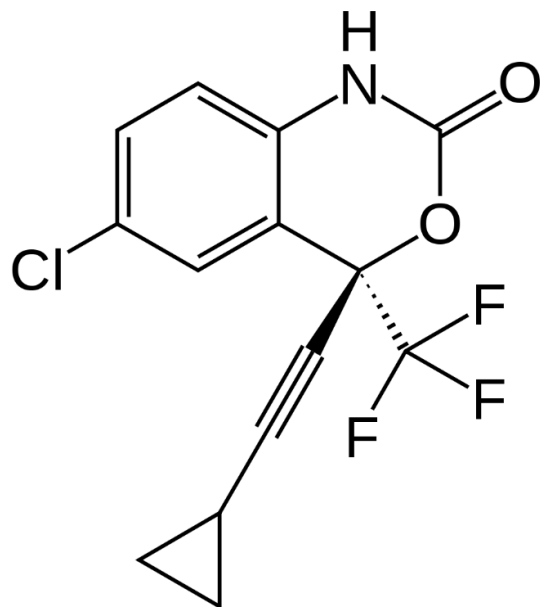


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Previous Blind Test Compounds

Conclusion

Dispersion-corrected DFT appears to work well for energy-ranking crystal structures (80% success rate)



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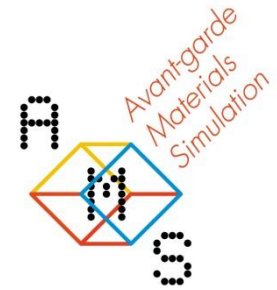
Number of patents: 5

Number of claimed forms: 24

Number of crystal structures known: 0



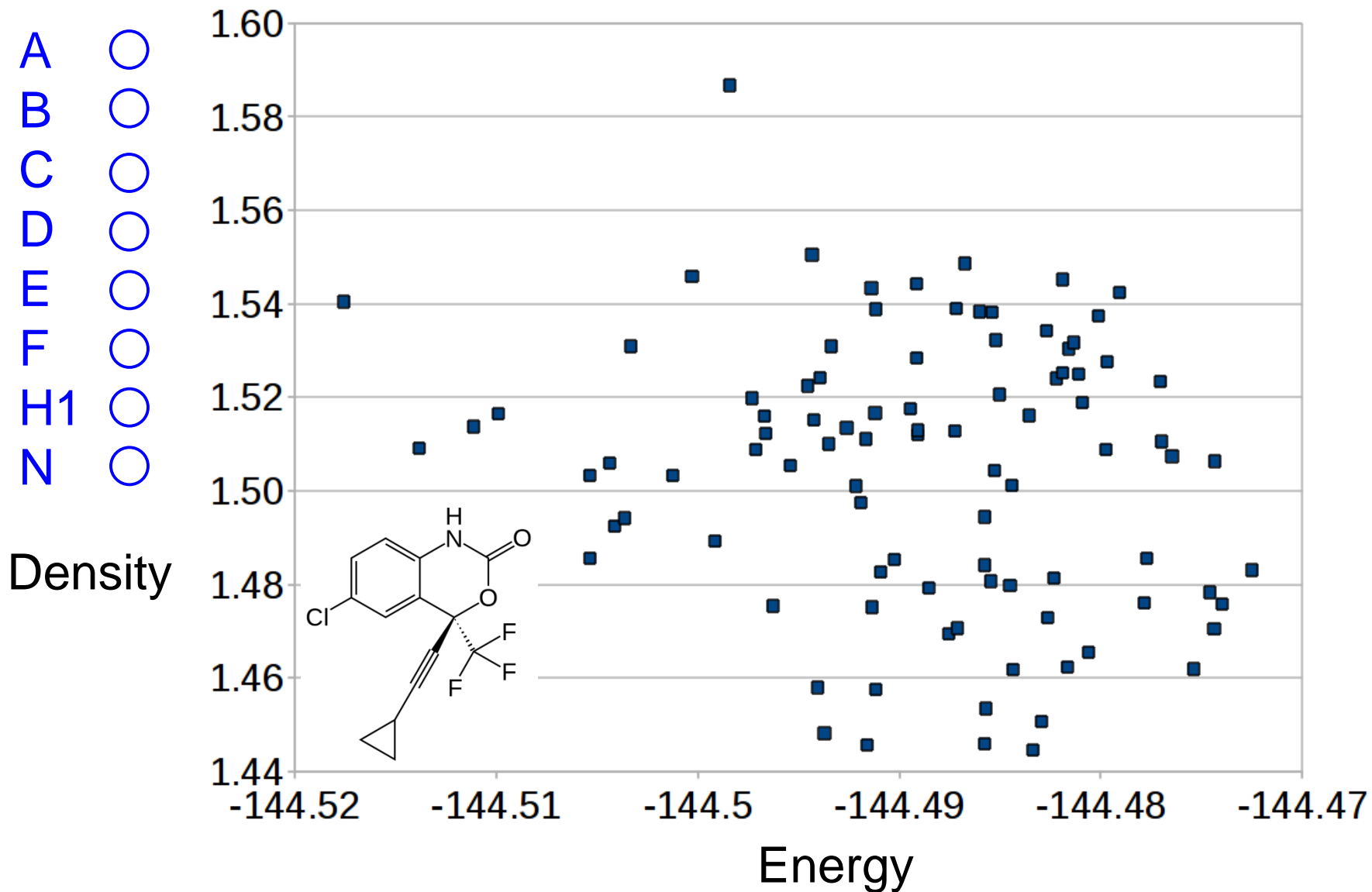
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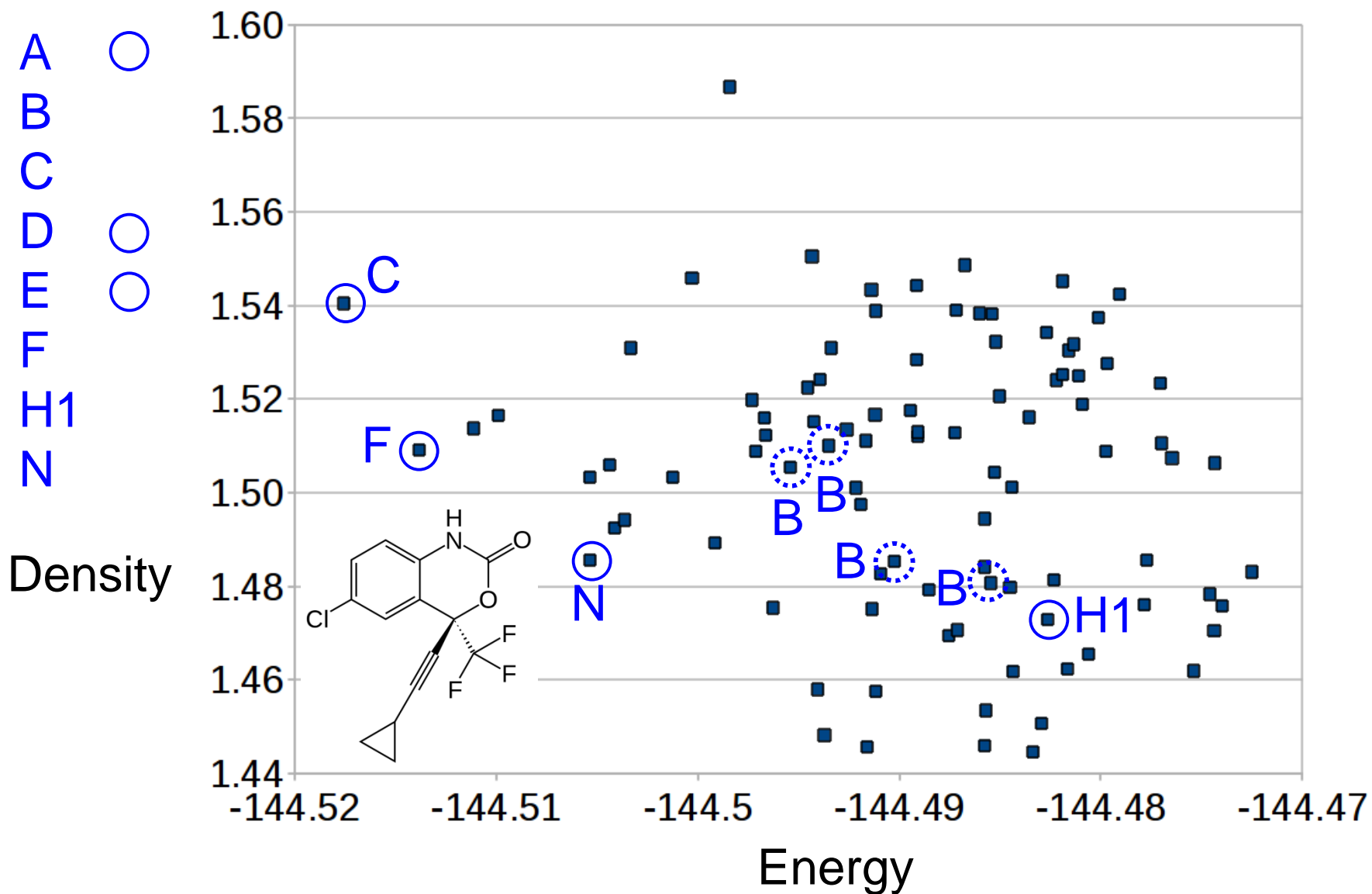
Experimental polymorph screen by Dr Eva Dova (Avantium)
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The 24 forms boil down to eight distinct forms:
A, B, C, D, E, F, H1, N

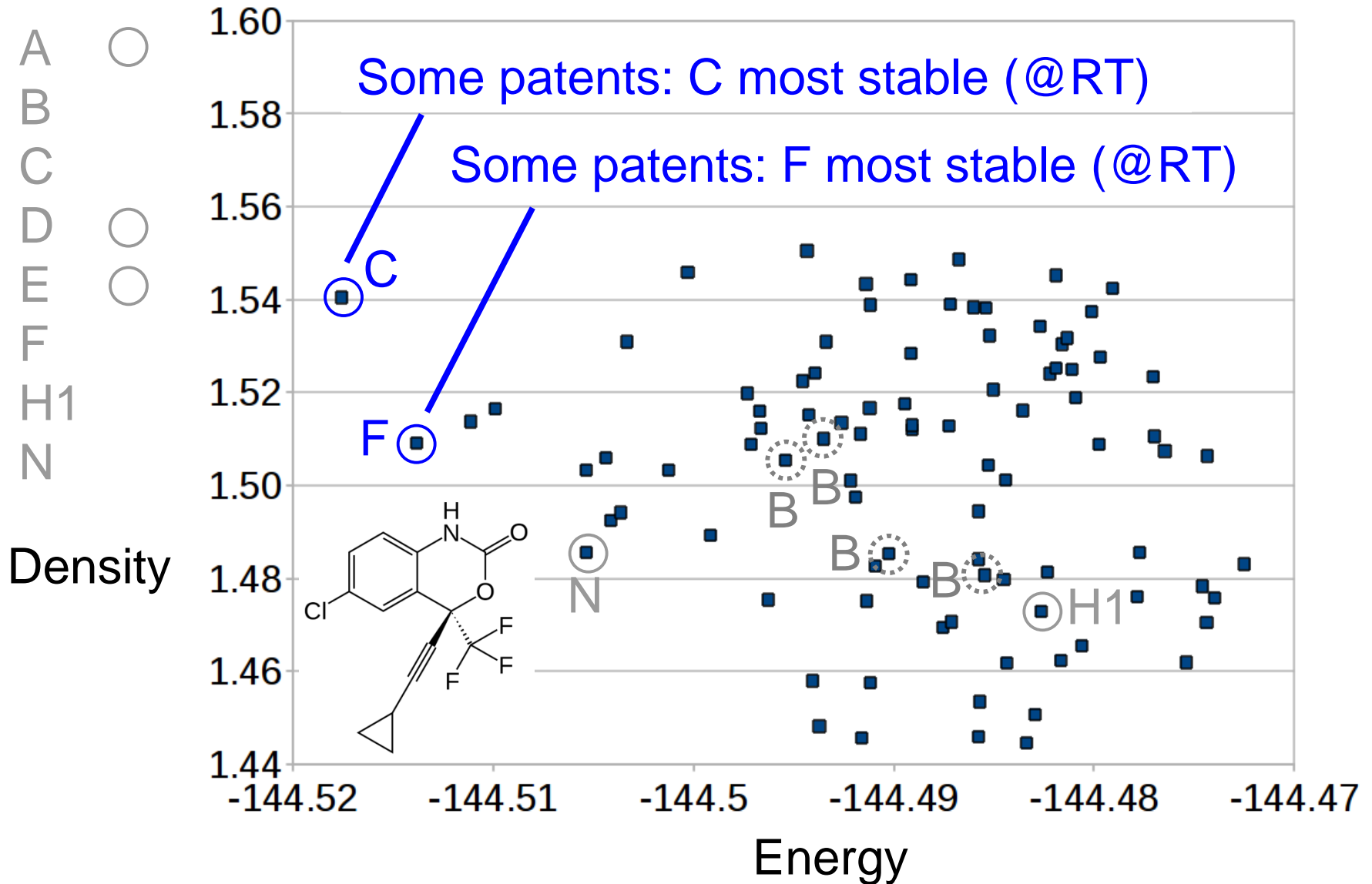
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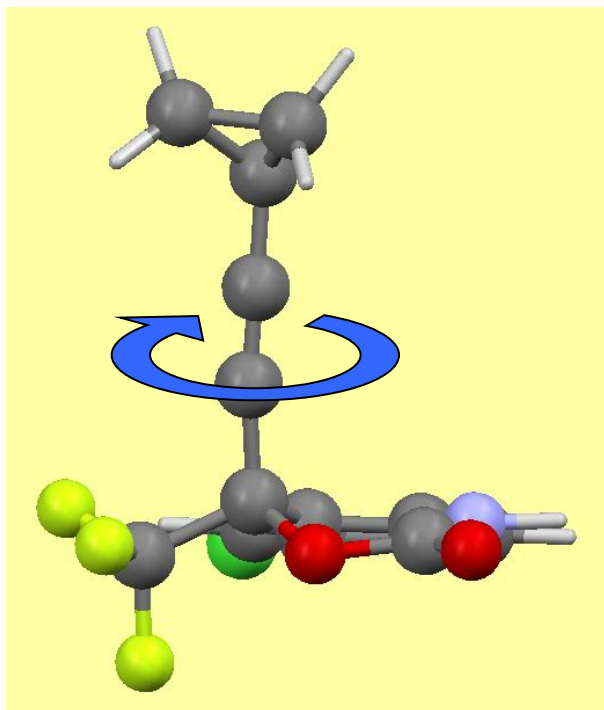
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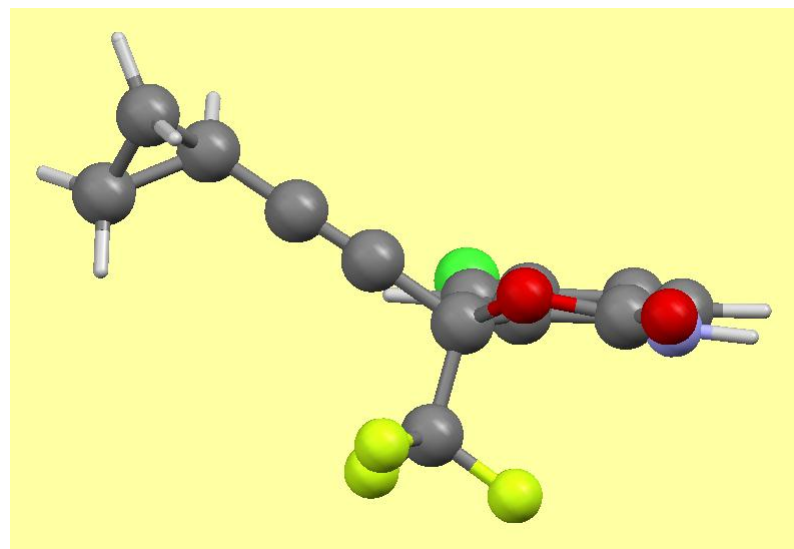
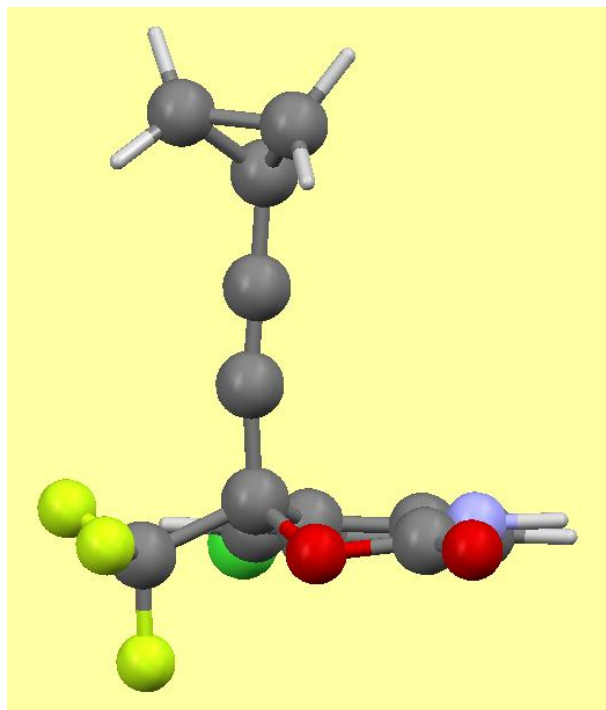
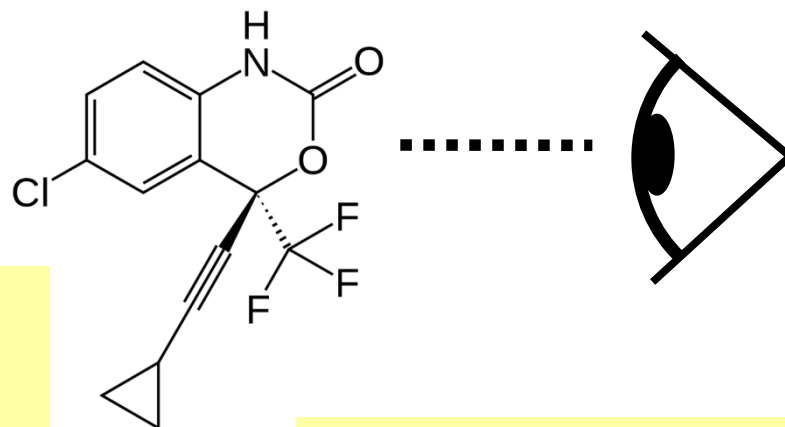


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Form B is disordered, four orientations of the cyclopropane group are found in the search (ranks 20, 27, 40, 57)

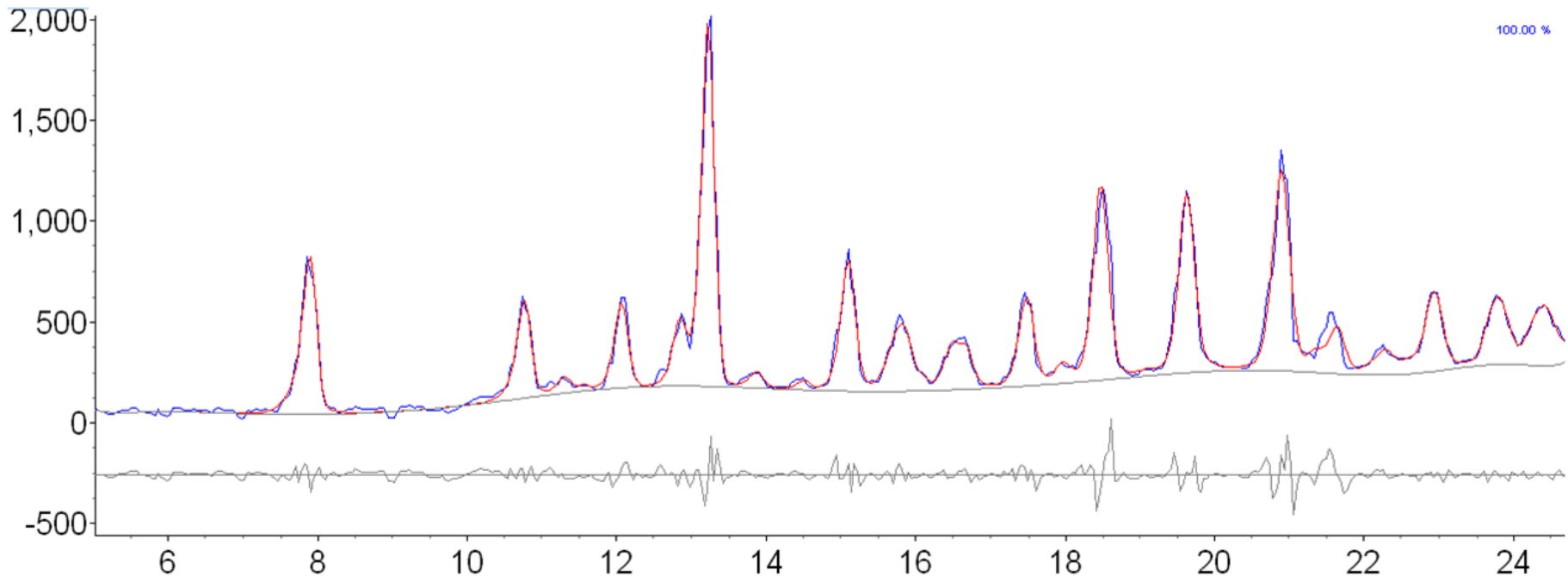
Disorder means that our 0 K energies are not reliable



- Form N is $Z=2$
- One axial -CF₃, one equatorial -CF₃
- Requires fully flexible search with $Z=2$

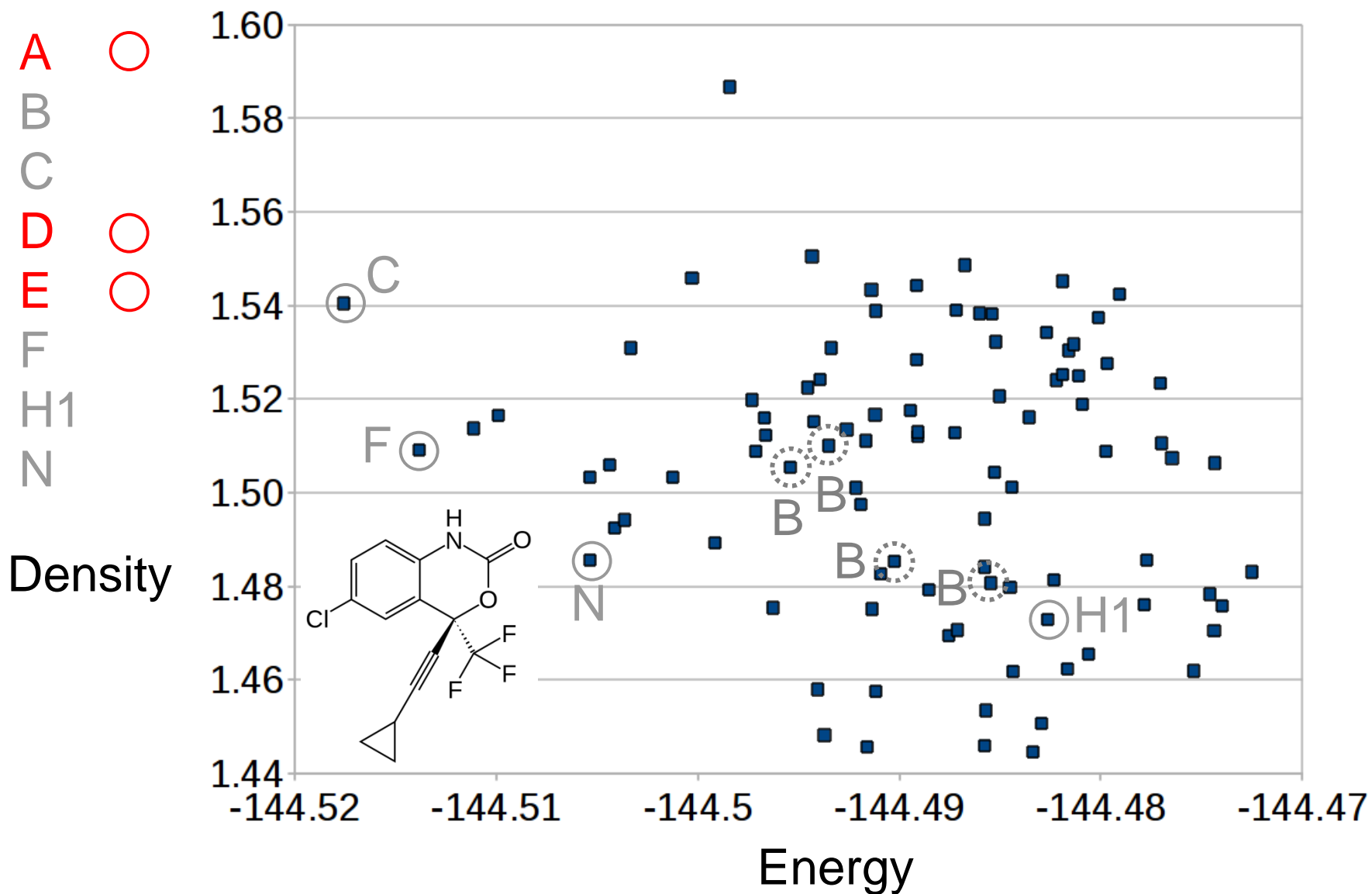
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Rietveld refinement with *TOPAS* for form N ($Z=2$)



We can solve structures from poor quality laboratory powder patterns, scanned from a patent: low resolution, preferred orientation.

What about Forms A, D & E?



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A	Z=3 / Z=6 [1]
B	Found, Disordered [2]
C	Found
D	Solvate (from TGA)
E	?
F	Found [3]
H1	Found
N	Found

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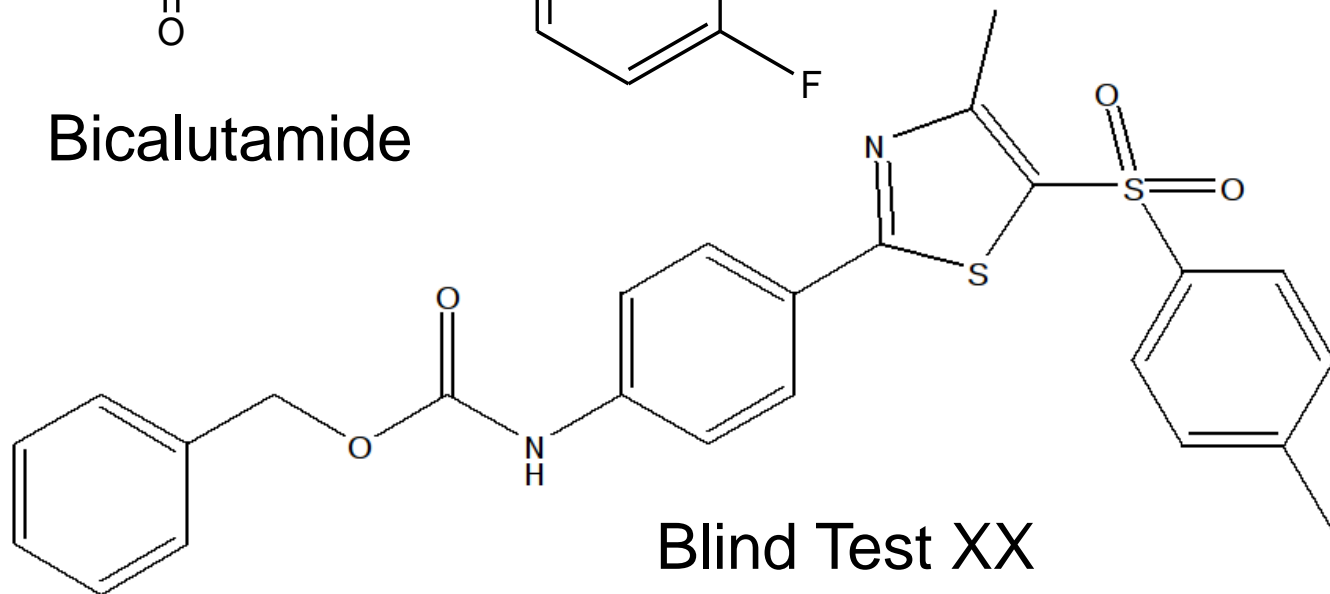
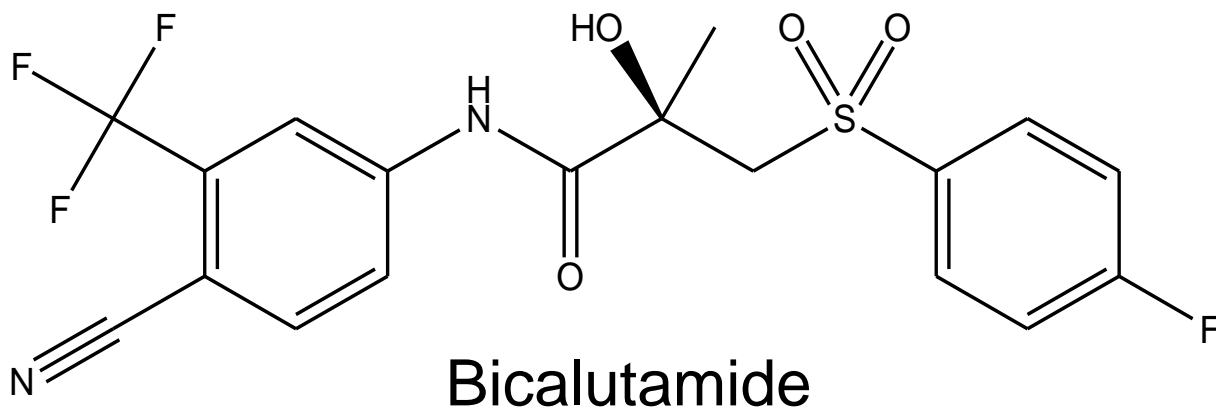
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Conclusions

- Real life very complicated:
 - $Z > 2$
 - Disorder: entropy contribution
 - Solvates
 - Form E ambiguous
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- Crystal structures from very poor quality powder patterns:
use crystal-structure prediction
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- No more stable form found: it is unlikely that one turns up
in the future

Current complexity limit



- Six months on a 64 CPU quad-core Xeon or Opteron cluster
- Quasicomplete screen for $Z=1$ in 230 space groups
- 50 – 90 % complete screen for $Z=2$ in 230 space groups

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