

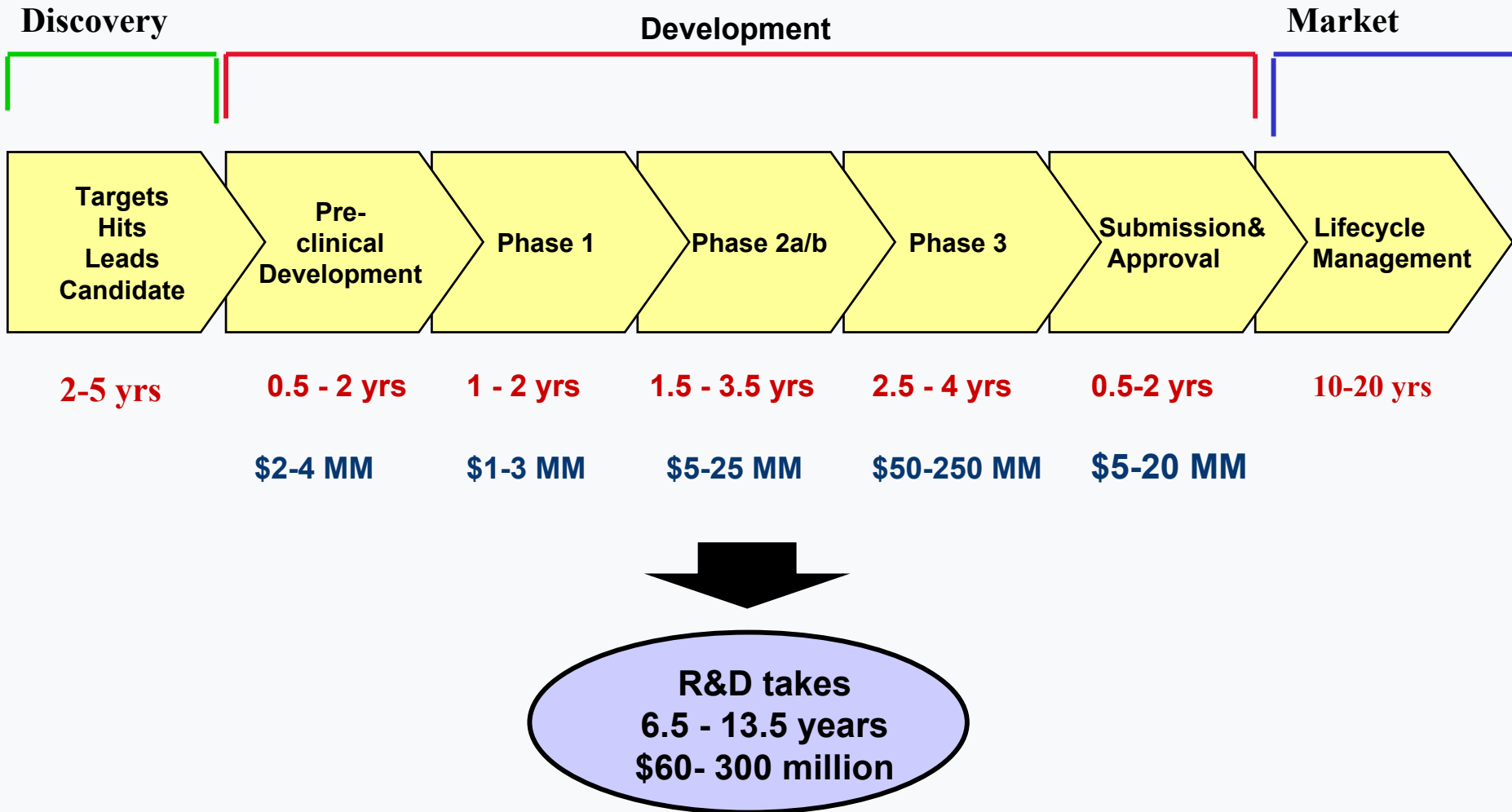


Application of High Throughput technologies to Drug Substance and Drug Product Development

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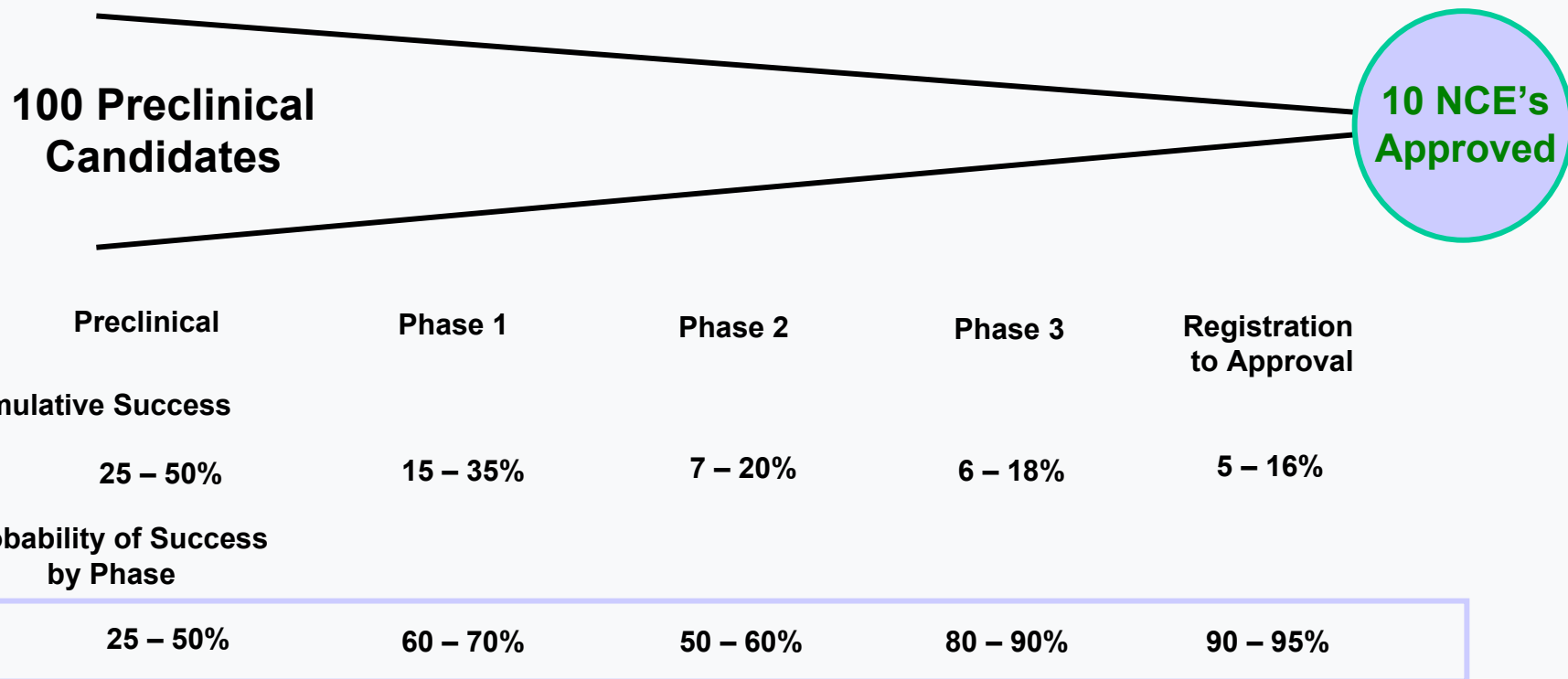
Drug Discovery / Development



Historic NCE Pipeline Success

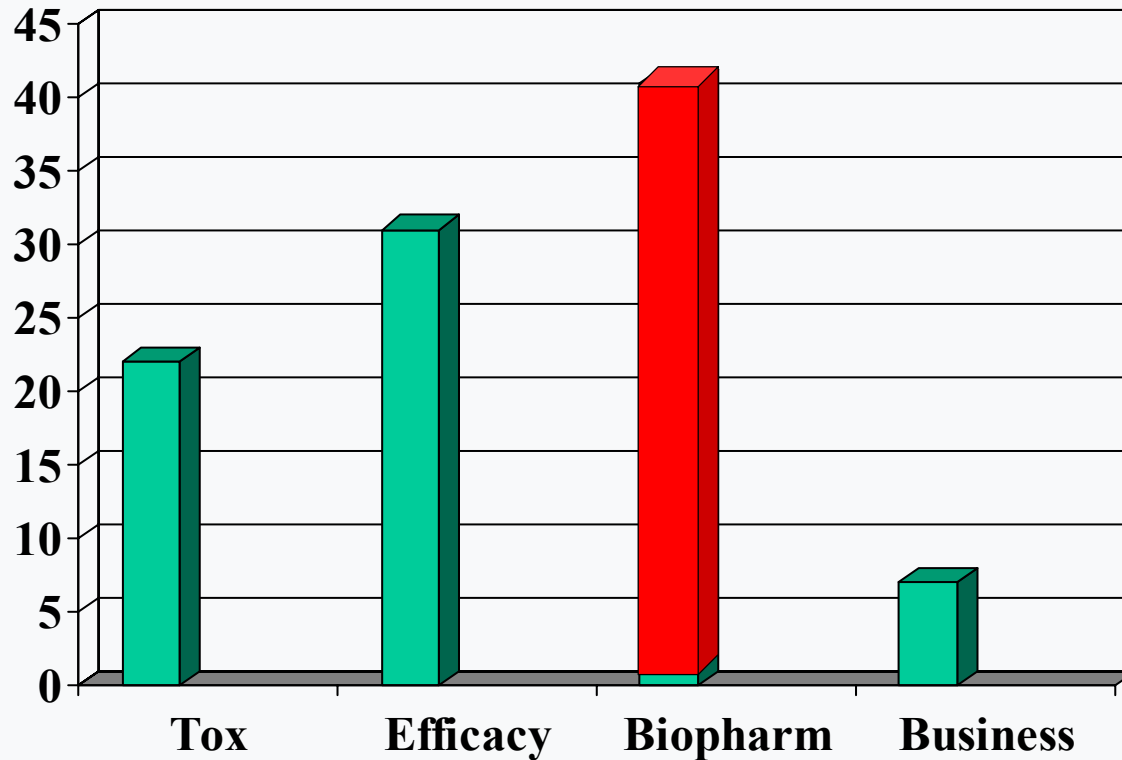
NCE Probability of Success by Phase: 1990s

Estimates

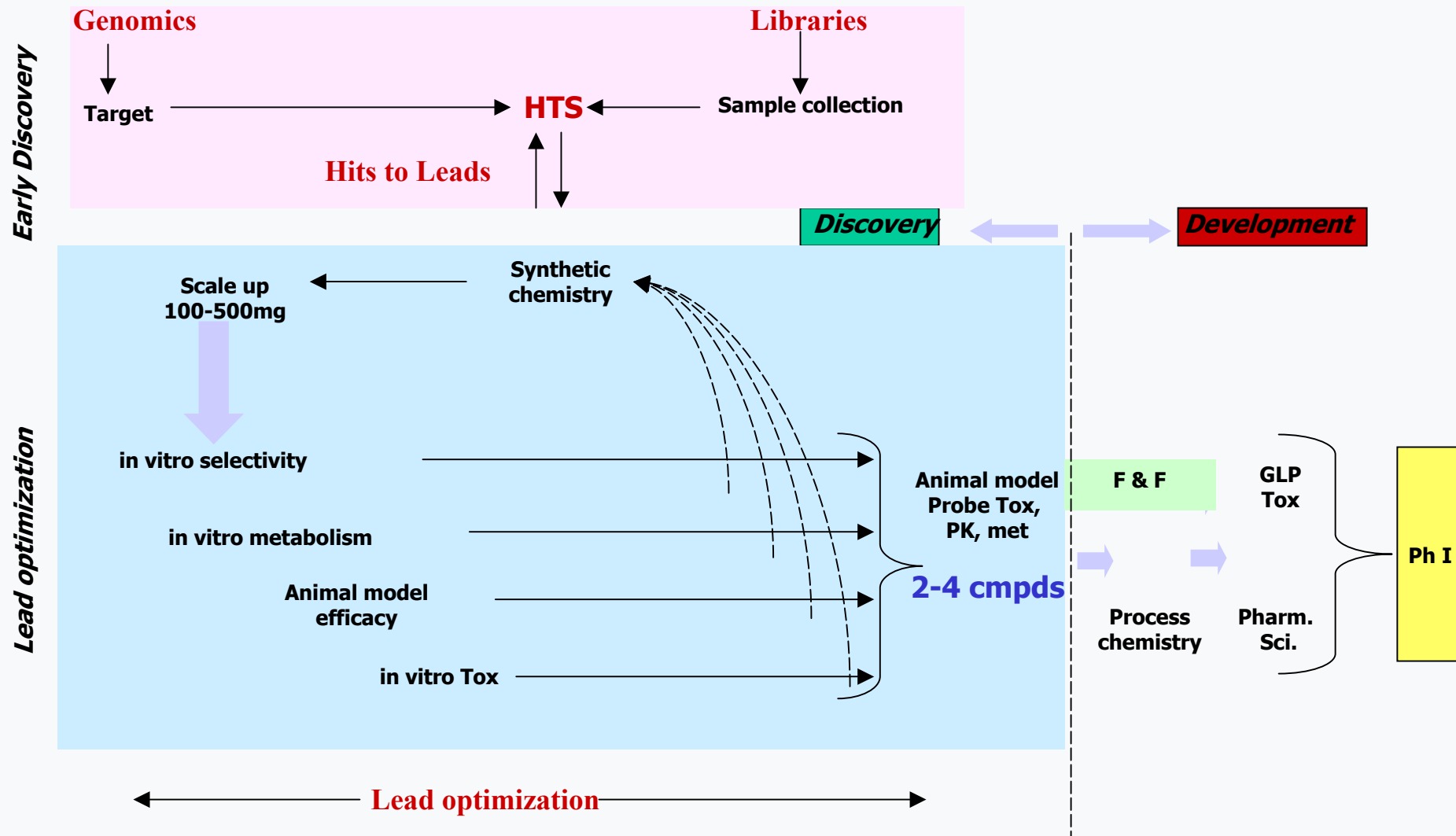


Source: SDG, London; GW Journal of Innovation, Vol 1, Issue 3, 1995; PRTM estimates

Why Product Candidates Fail



Global view: Pre-clinical R & D Process



Form & Formulation

**Active
compound**



**Optimized
form**



**Effective
formulation**

FORM

FORMULATION

Small molecule drugs:

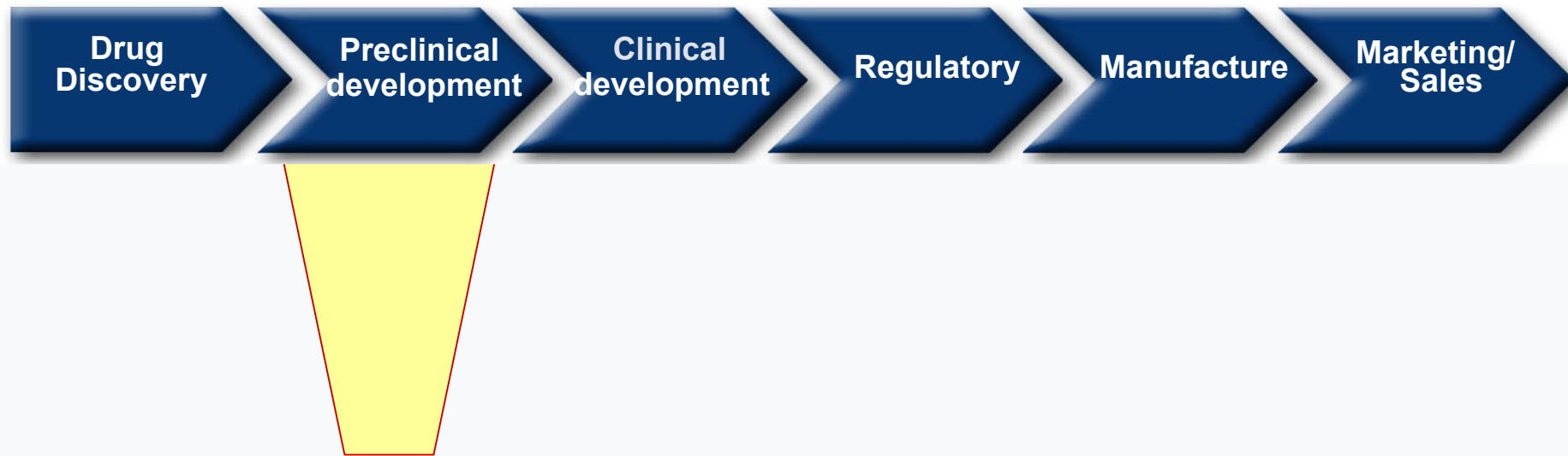
- Solubility
- Dissolution Rate
- Bioavailability
- Release profile
- Stability

Biologics/Vaccines:

- Stability
- Solubility
- Activity, yield
- Efficacy
- Delivery profile

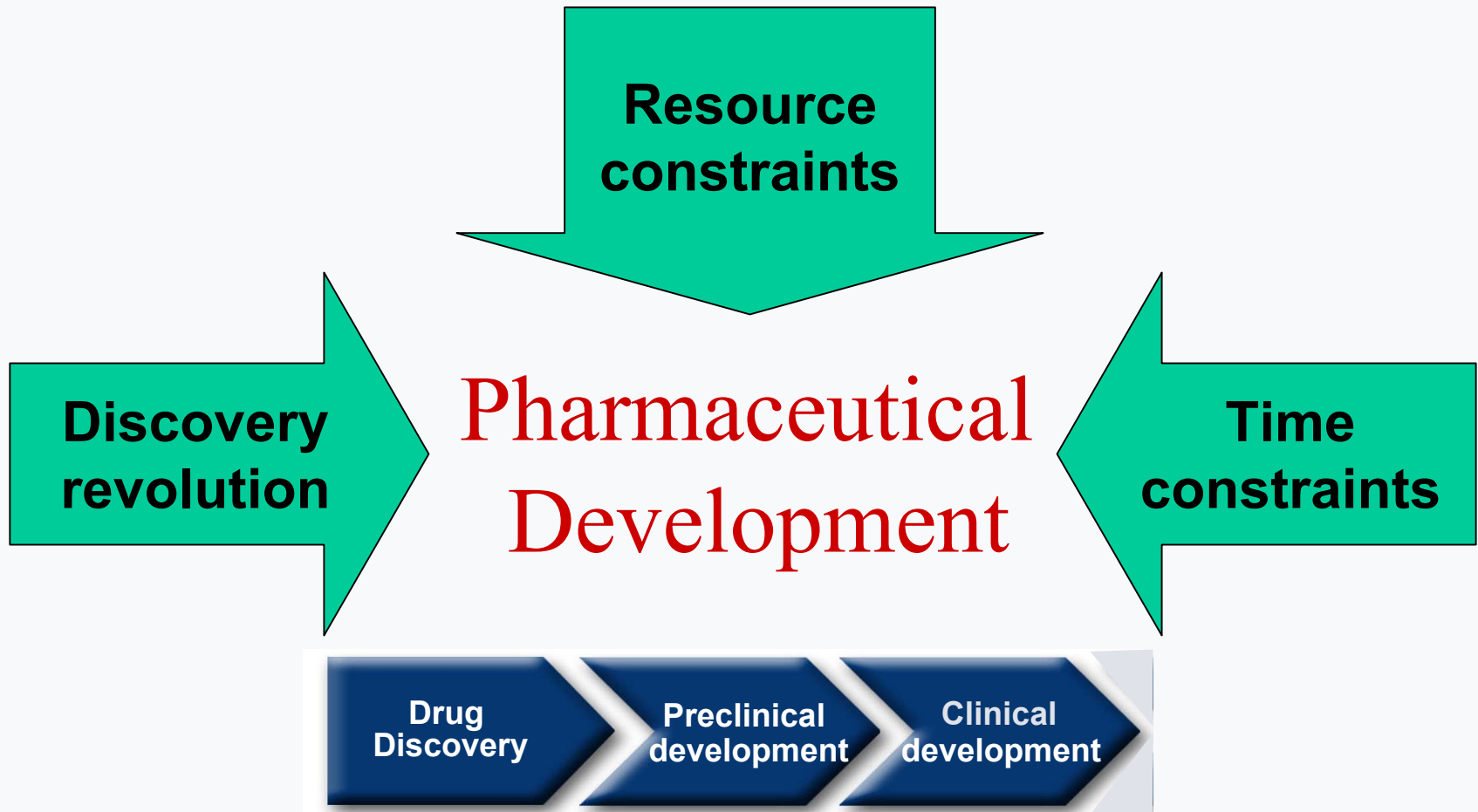
**Maximize Product
Value**

Form & Formulation: Traditional

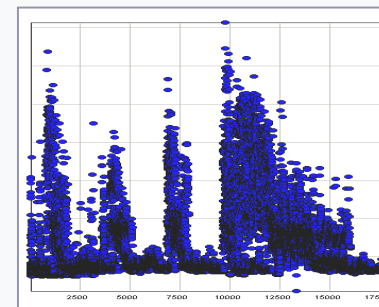
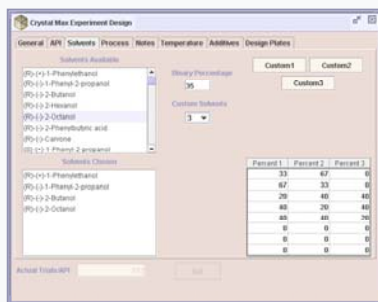
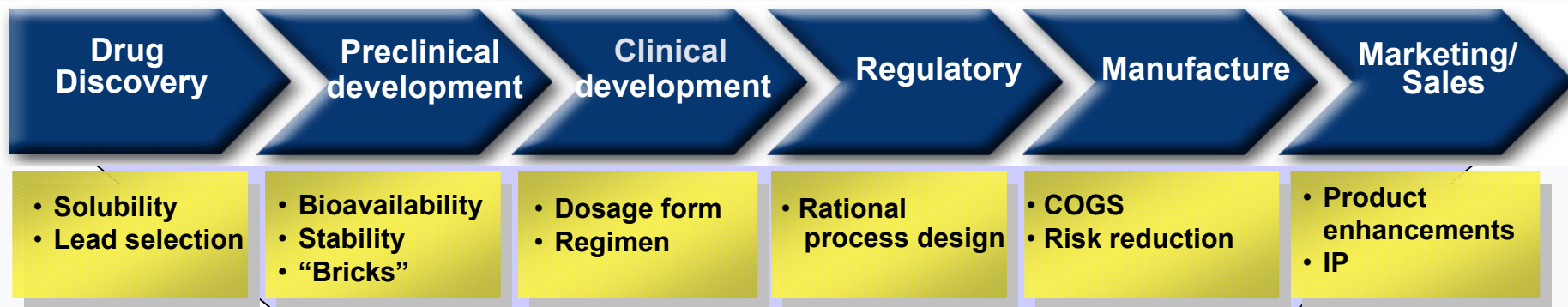


- **Mostly manual experimentation**
- **Low throughput**

New R&D Challenges



Bringing High Throughput to the Process

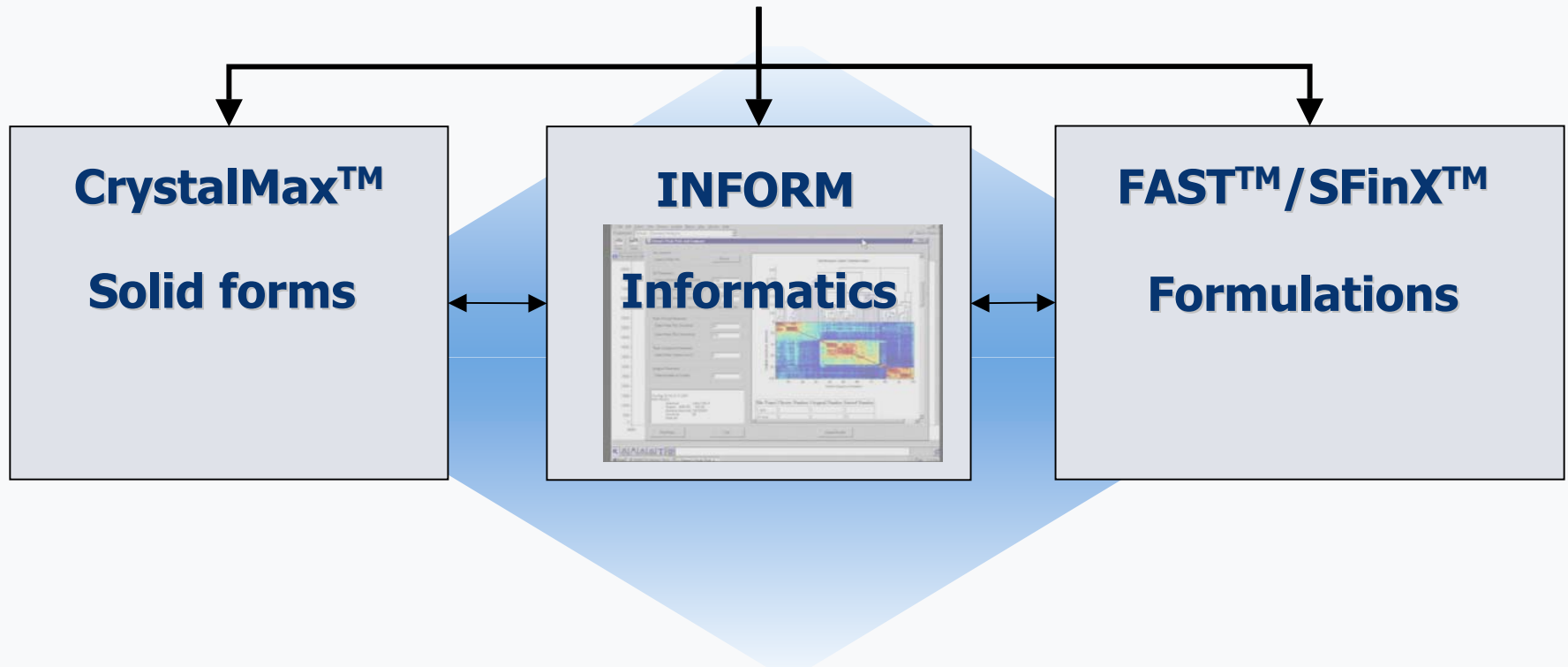


- Automated, high throughput experimentation
- Microscale
- Informatics driven

} Optimal

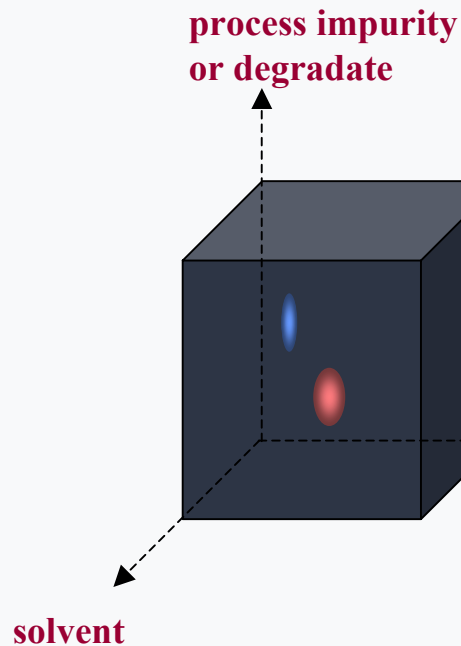
Integrated Technology Platforms

**Active pharmaceutical
ingredient**



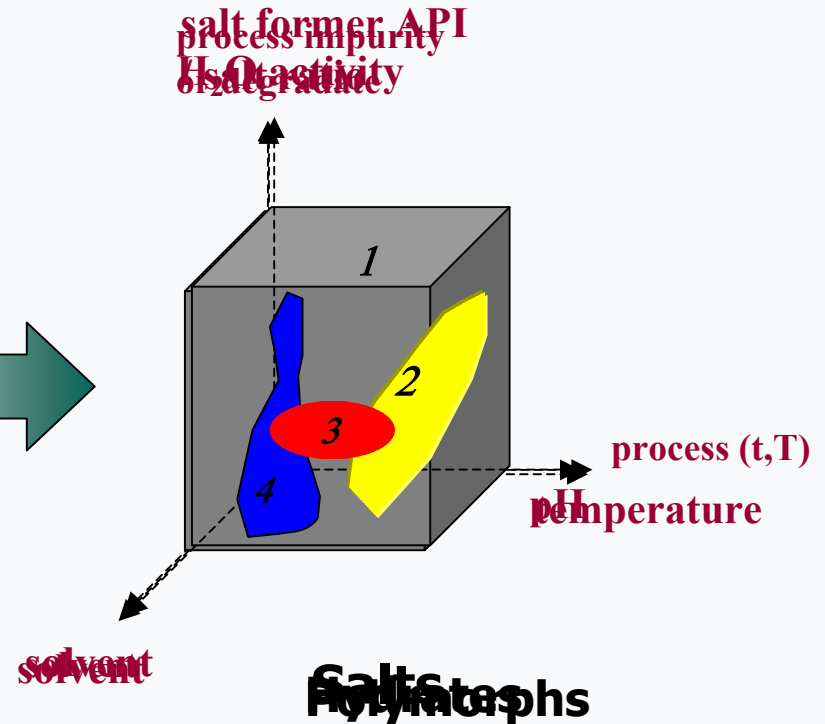
Exploration of Solid Forms and Methods

Traditional



process (t,T)

TransForm (CrystalMax™)



salt former API
process impurity or degradate
Hydrophilicity

process (t,T)

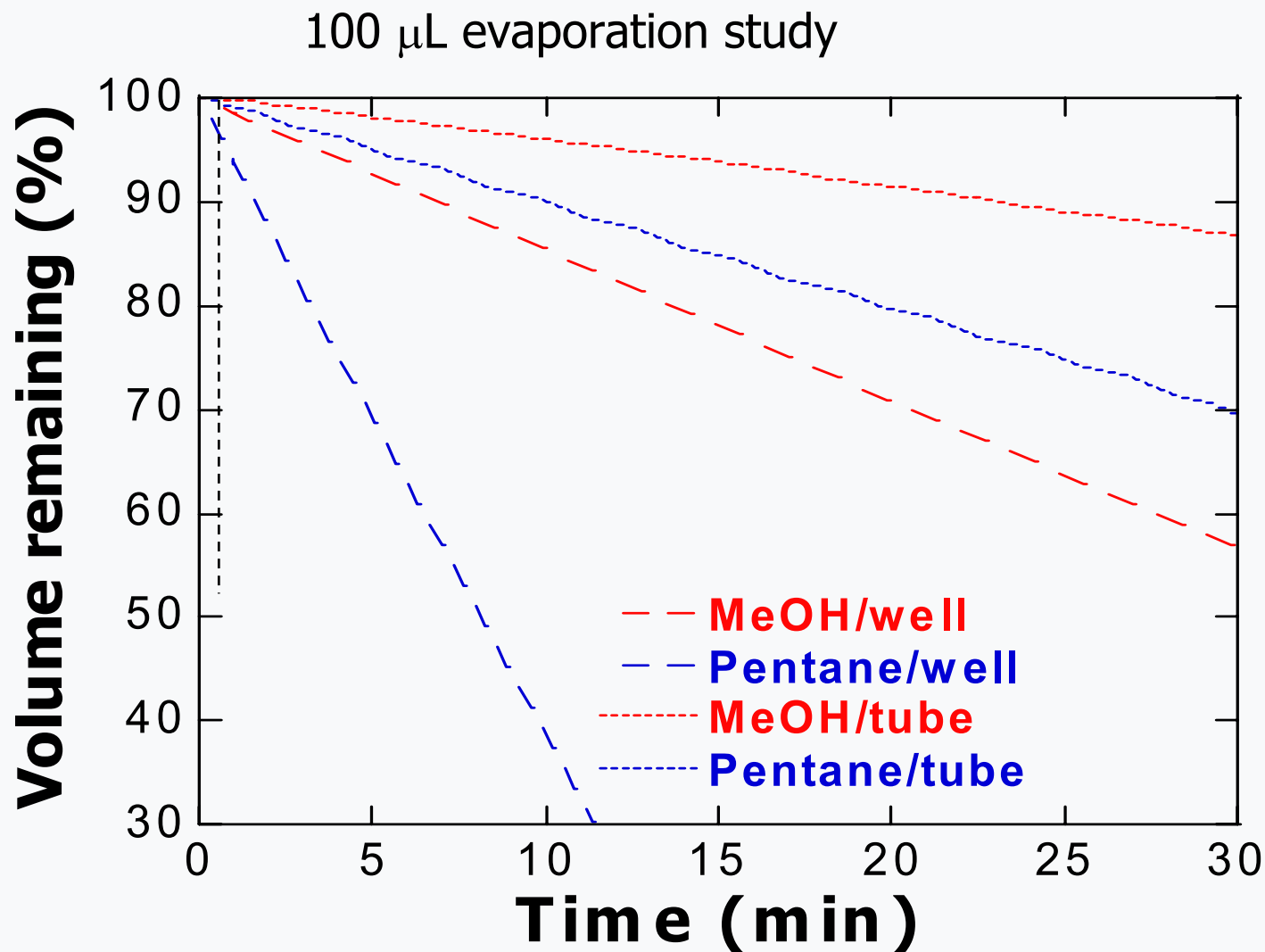
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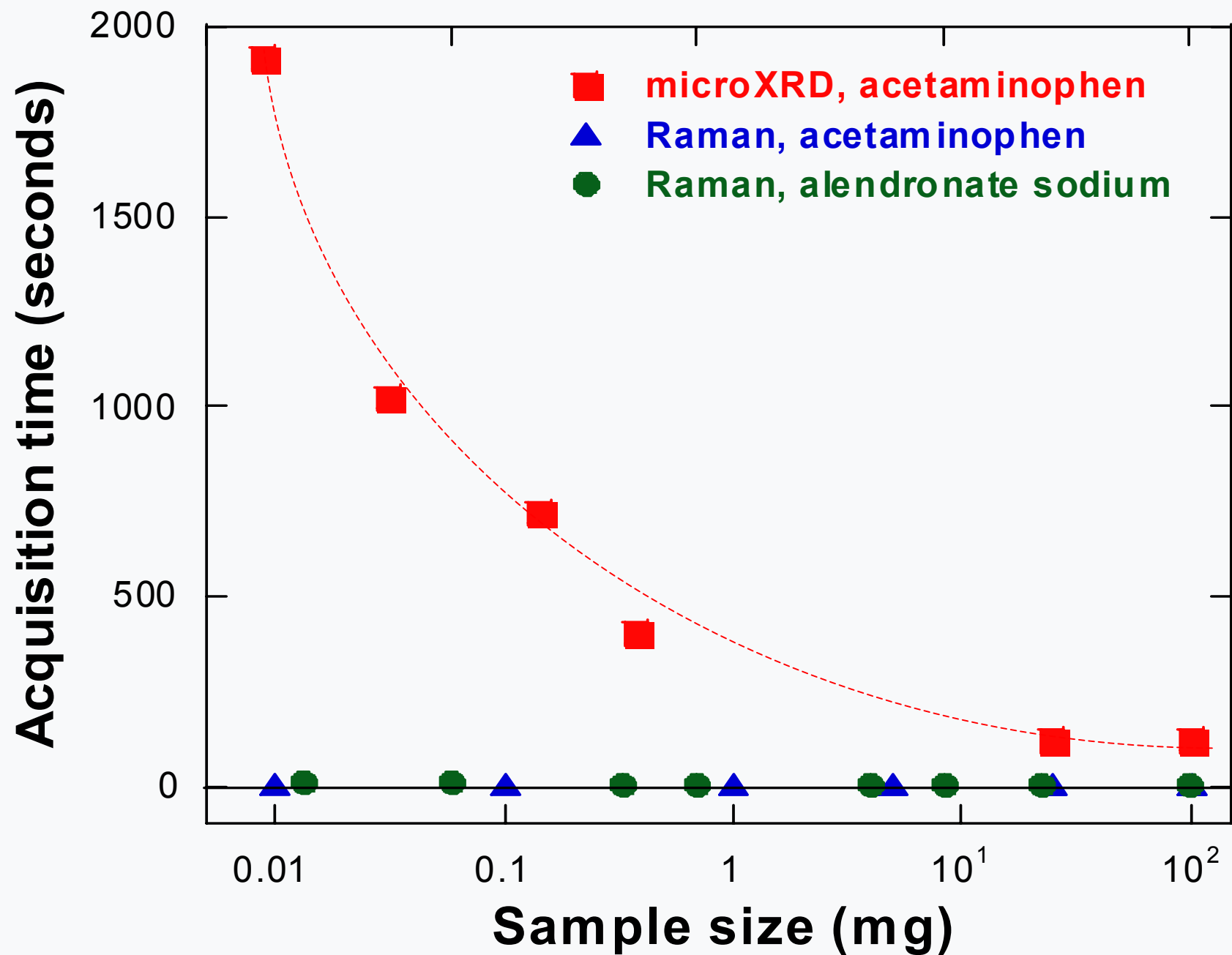
Salts
Polymorphs

CrystalMaxTM

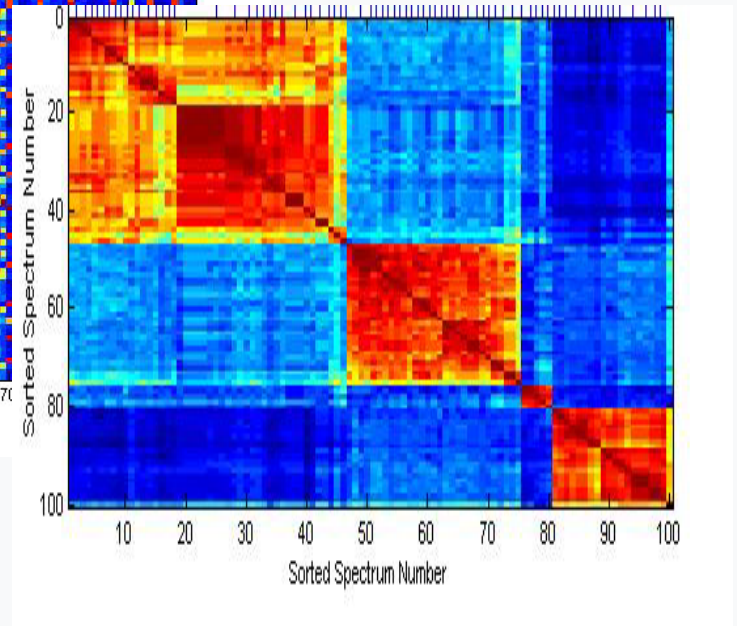
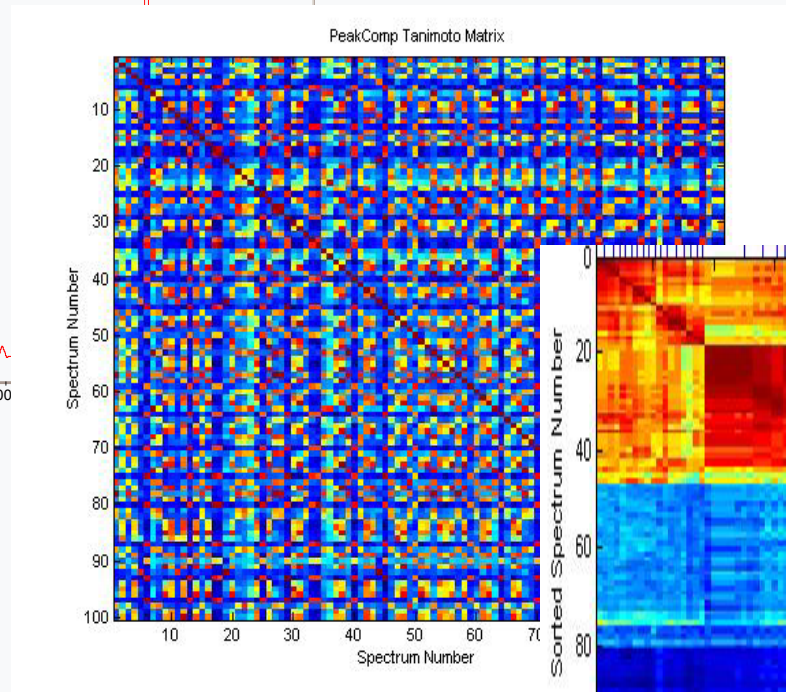
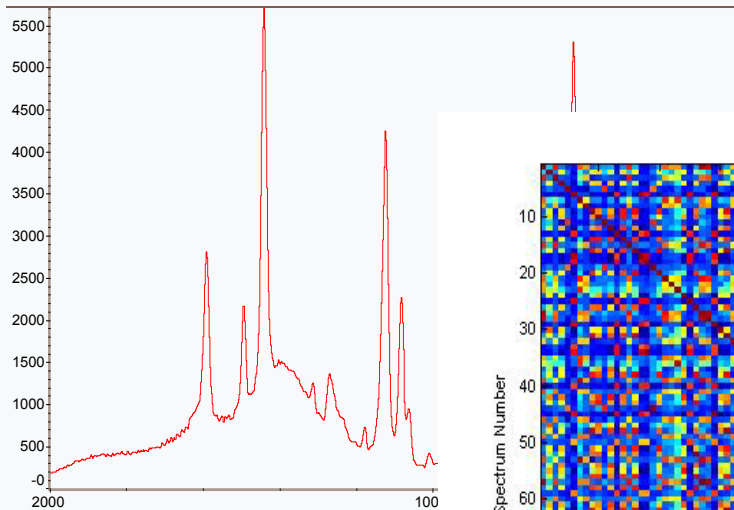
- **Best solid form**
- **Efficient**
 - **micro-scale (sub-mg)**
 - **massively parallel (20,000)**
- **Comprehensive exploration of 'space'**
- **Automatic data capture**

Why Use Tubes Rather Than Plates?

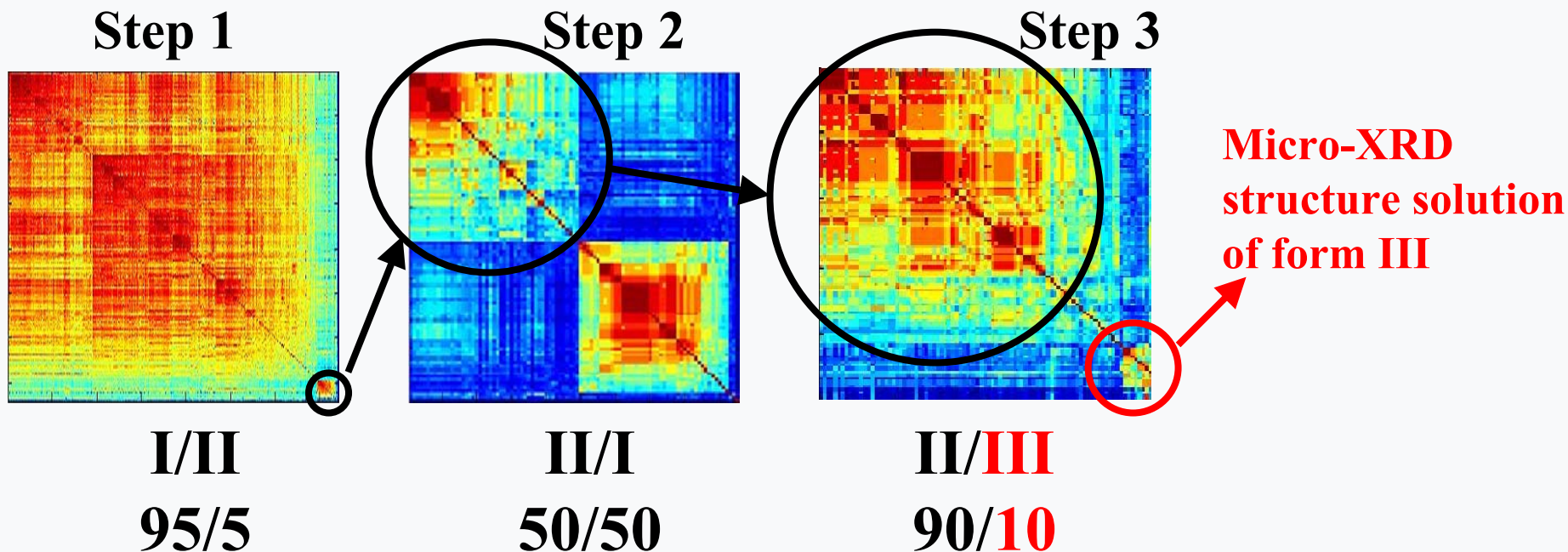




Innovative Approach to Primary Analysis



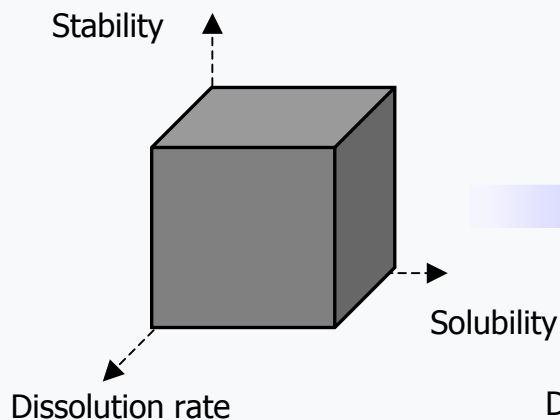
Acetaminophen: Iteration to Find Form III



- Three polymorphs of acetaminophen identified and characterized using informatics-driven, iterative experimentation
- Different process modes: thermal, evaporative and melt
- Over 10K experiments to explore HT polymorph diversity in < 6 weeks

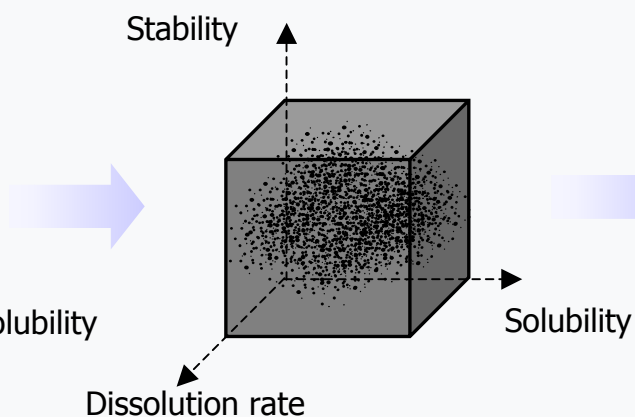
High Throughput Formulation Discovery

Traditional



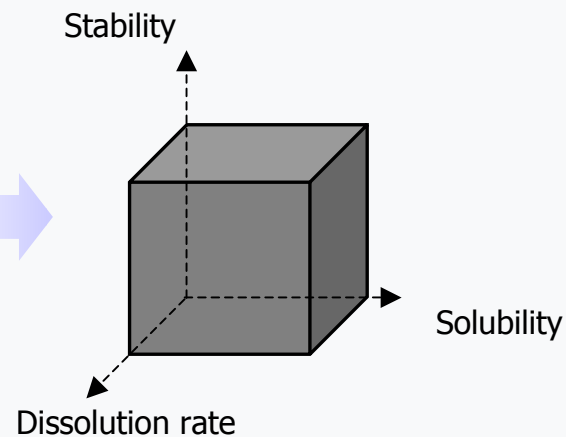
- Limited experiments
- No informatics
- “Good enough” formulation

TransForm HT Platforms (FAST™ & SFinX™)



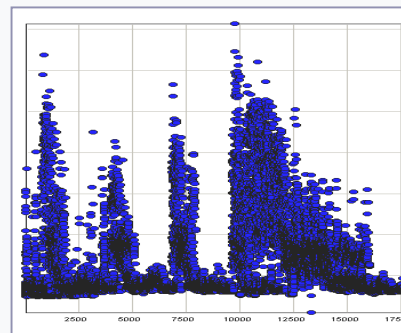
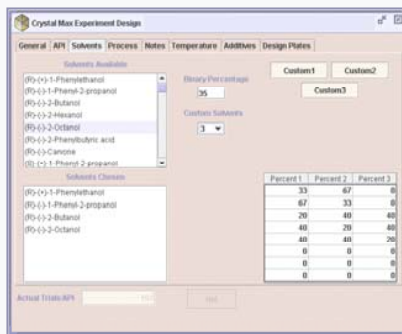
- Many experiments
- Comprehensive data capture
- New knowledge

Informatics-Enhanced Experimental Design



- “Smarter” experiments
- Data capture & mining
- New knowledge
- Optimized formulations

FASTTM



Best formulation for specific application

- solubility, stability, device compatibility

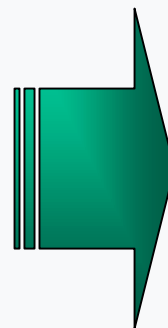
Efficient

- micro-scale (ug range)
- massively parallel (>5,000)

Comprehensive exploration of ‘space’

Automated data capture

End-to-end automation



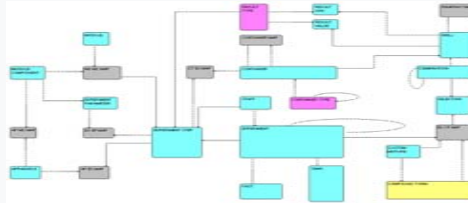
- *Small molecules*
- *Biologicals*
- *Vaccines*

Inform™: Informatics

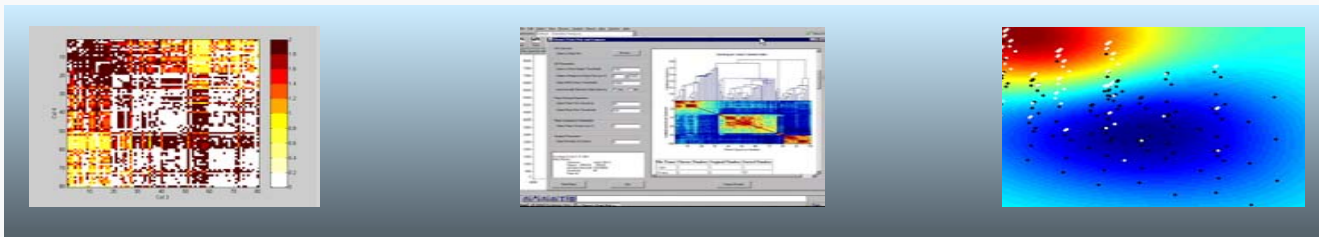
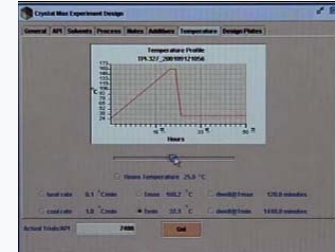
Desktop design



Relational database



Process control

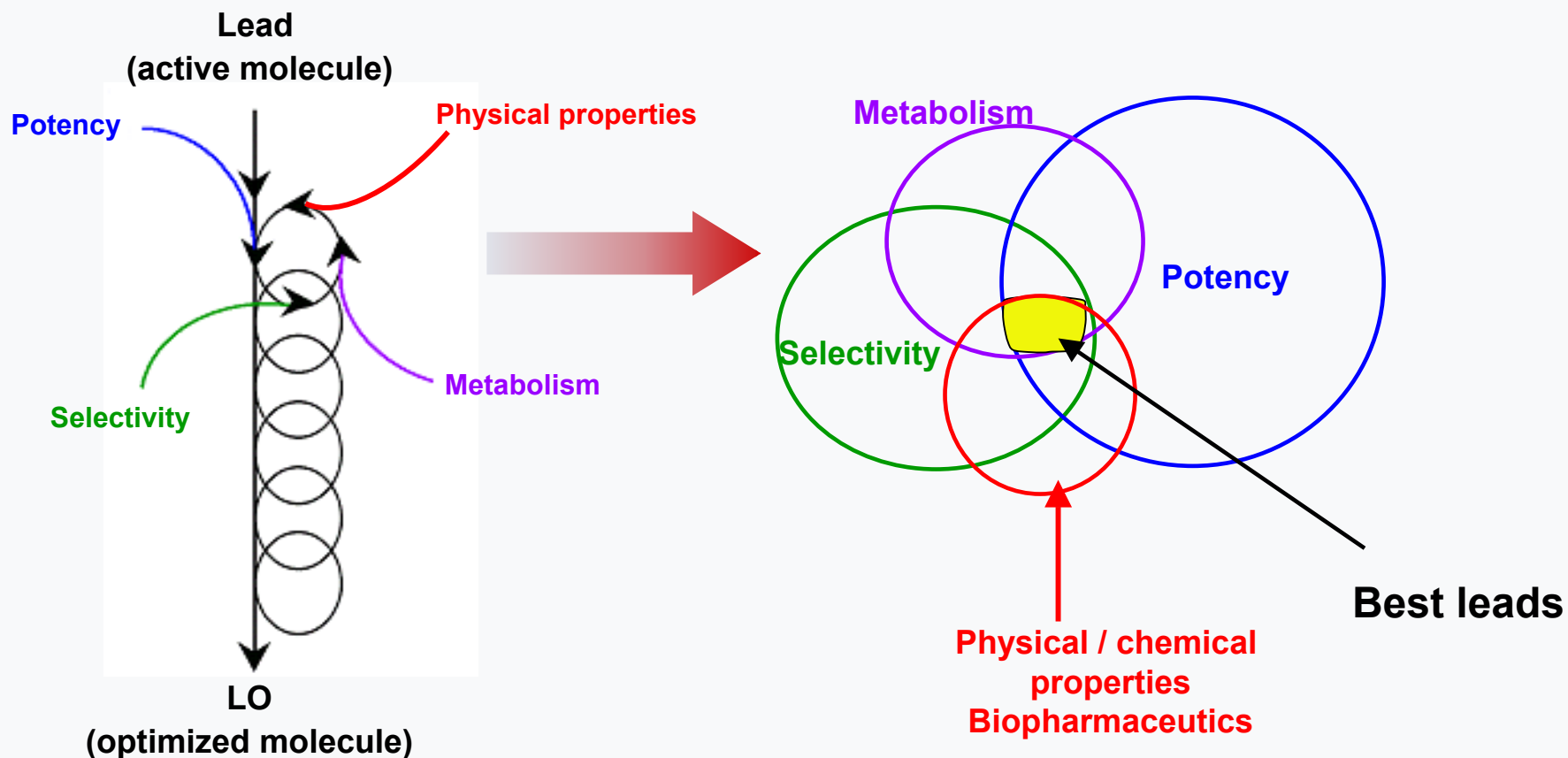


Analysis and Predictive Modeling Software

- 🏠 Integrated data capture, storage and analysis
- 🏠 Knowledge-driven discovery
- 🏠 Designed for U.S. regulatory compliance (CFR 21.part 11)
- 🏠 Proprietary design

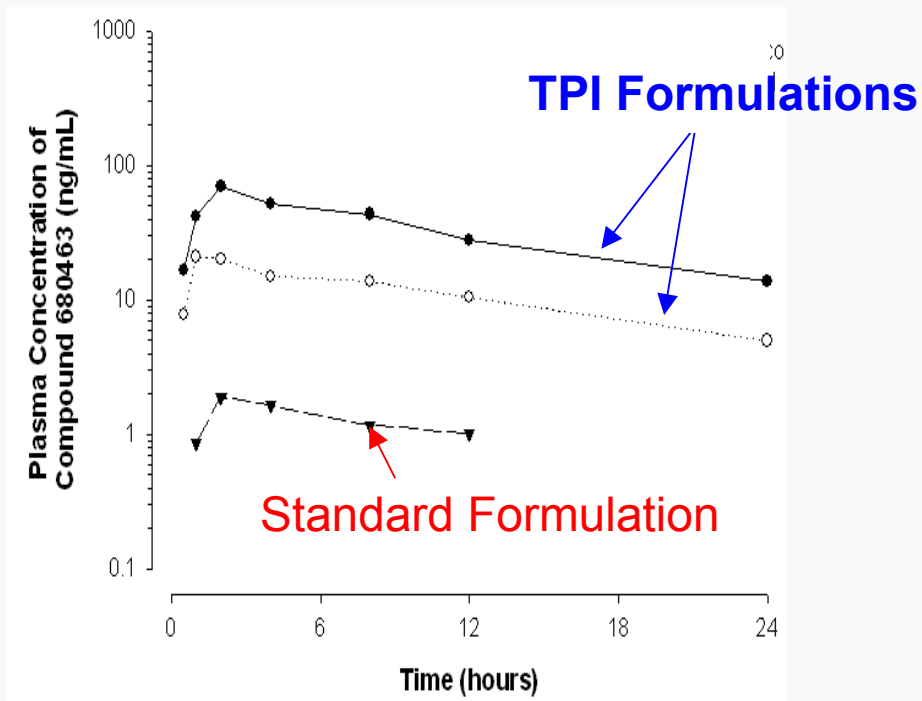
Discovery Applications

Building in “Developability”

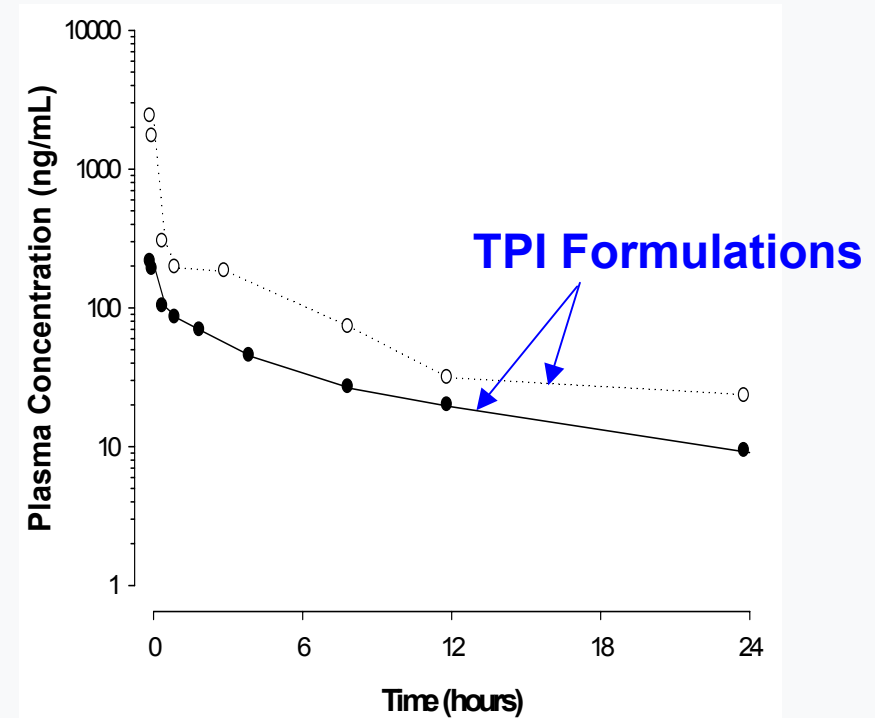


Animal Studies: Bioavailability

Oral Formulations



Intravenous Formulations



- Improved oral bioavailability demonstrated with TPI formulations
- IV dosing enabled by TPI formulations

Applications in Pre-Clinical and Clinical Development

Development Risk: Norvir

news & media
Press Release

ABBOTT ANNOUNCES DIFFICULTY MANUFACTURING NORVIR® (RITONAVIR) CAPSULES

— COMPANY PLANS TO SUBSTITUTE WITH LIQUID FORMULATION —

Abbott Park, Illinois, July 27, 1998 — Abbott Laboratories announced that it is experiencing manufacturing difficulties with the capsule formulation of its HIV protease inhibitor, Norvir® (ritonavir).

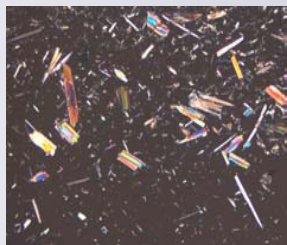
"We have encountered an undesired formation of a Norvir crystalline structure that affects how the capsule form of Norvir dissolves," said Arthur Higgins, senior vice president, pharmaceutical operations, Abbott Laboratories. "Although maximum efforts are underway, to date we do not have a solution to the capsule problem."

The manufacturing difficulties with Norvir capsules will result in shortages and interruption in supply of capsules. Abbott is planning to supply Norvir oral solution (liquid formulation) to provide continued Norvir therapy for patients.

TransForm Solution: Norvir

Within 4 weeks:

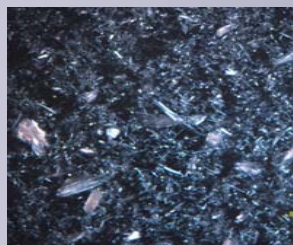
- ✧ Both known forms identified/characterized
- ✧ Three new forms discovered
- ✧ Novel, robust methods identified to make each form



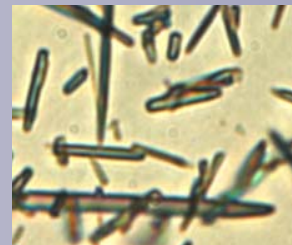
Form I



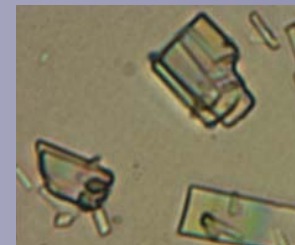
Form II



Form III



Form IV



Form V

TPI's analysis required < 2 g of material

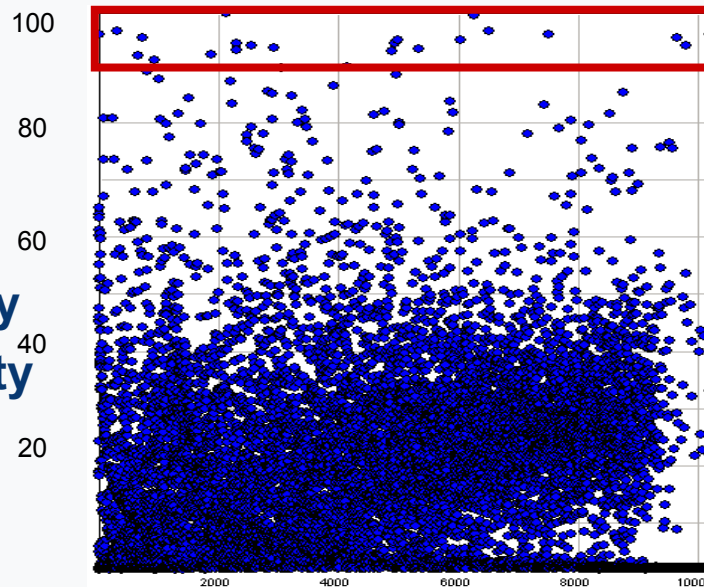
TPI 211: Identification of improved formulations

TPI 211:

Marketed intravenous anti-cancer drug
Excipient-related adverse effects

Challenge

- Eliminate toxicity
- Maintain
 - solubility
 - physical stability
 - chemical stability



TransForm Solution

- 4 lead formulations identified from 96,000 experiments
- Scale-up
- >24 weeks stability
- Better animal tolerance

Applications in Life Cycle Management / Line Extensions

Oral delivery

High-throughput salt screening

Experimental variables:

- Salt-forming reagents
 - pharma acceptable
 - > 40 acids (basic compounds)
 - > 20 bases (acidic compounds)
- API/salt former ratio
- pH
- ionic strength
- solvent composition

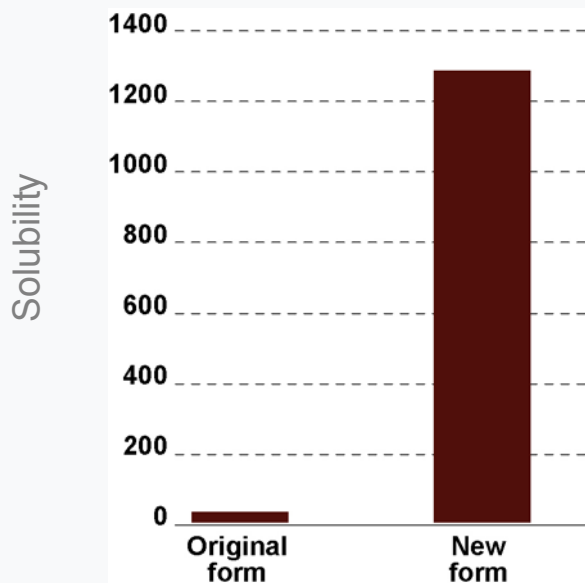


Complex system

TPI 745: New Form for Faster Onset and New Delivery Systems

Problem: Potential new indications complicated by slow onset and side effects at high dosage levels

May require new controlled release delivery system



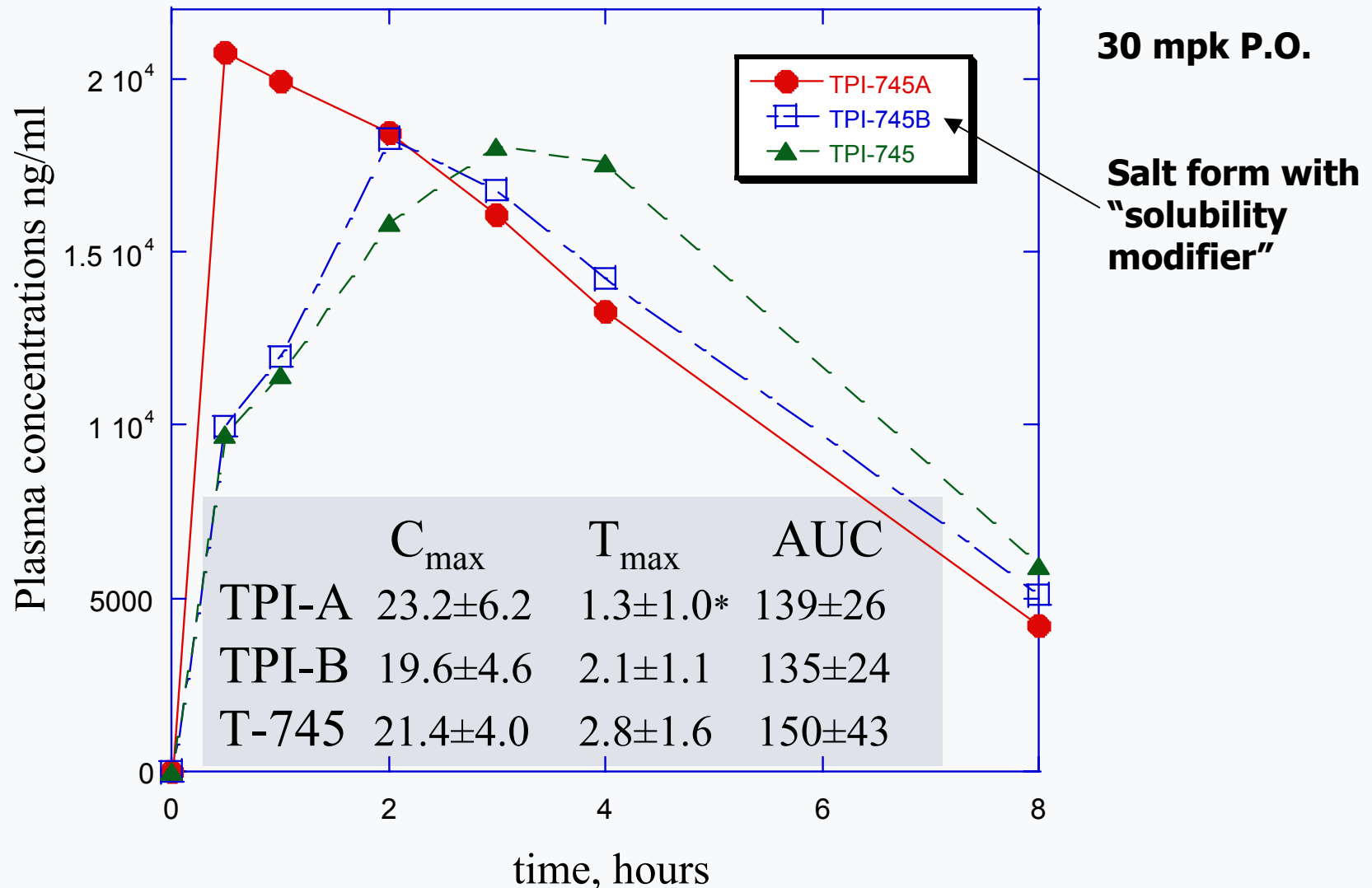
TransForm Solution

🧩 New form with superior solubility

- Within 2 weeks
- 100X more soluble than parent drug
- New IP

🧩 Potential to reformulate with controlled release

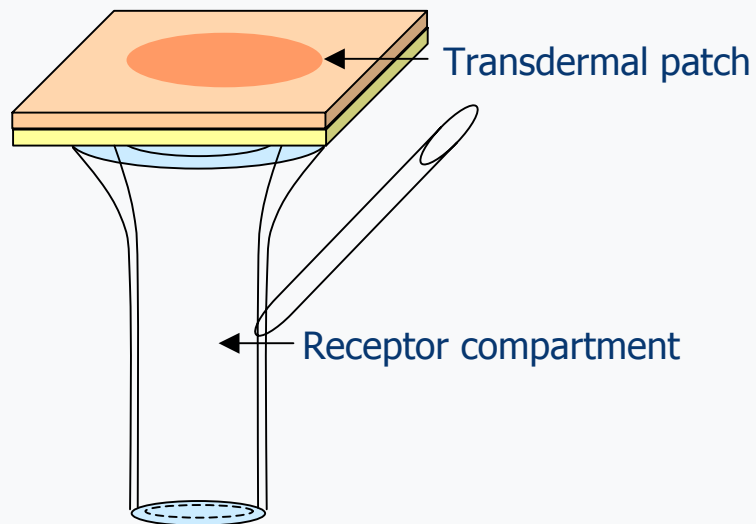
New TPI-745 Form Has Faster Onset & Better Bioavailability



Transdermal delivery

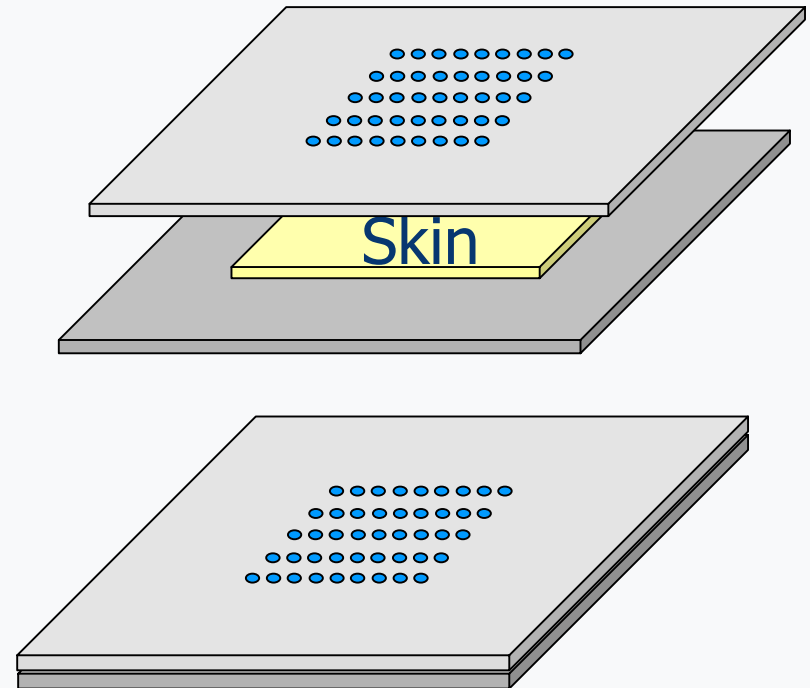
- **Standard Diffusion Cell**

Low throughput
Slow

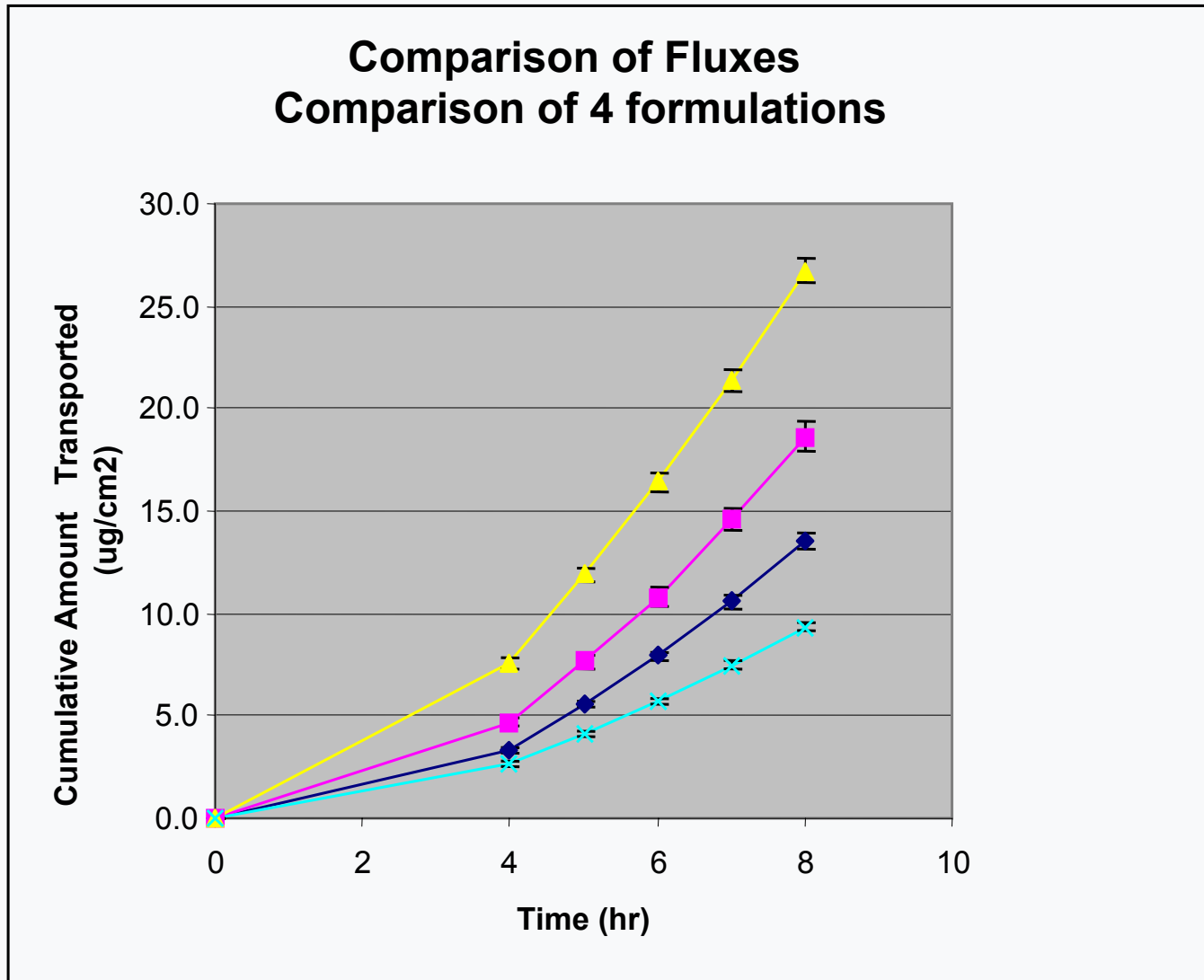


- **HT Diffusion Cell Array**

High throughput
Fast



Skin permeation from HT system





Conclusions

- **“Developability” is a key factor in finding new drugs**
 - **Potent active compounds are not necessarily drugs – other properties are critical**
- **HT form and formulation techniques are important**
 - **Discovery: helps medicinal chemists with SAR**
 - **Pre-clinical: optimizes products**
 - **Marketed products: improves product performance and provides new IP**
- **High throughput technologies do not replace good science and engineering – they provide more data and enable better decisions**