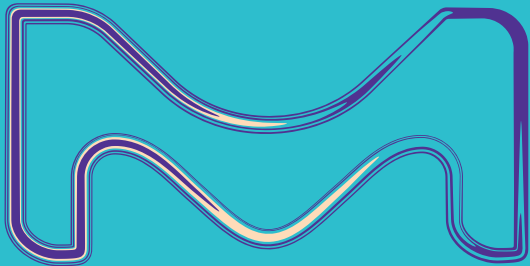


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D360: unleash the power of data

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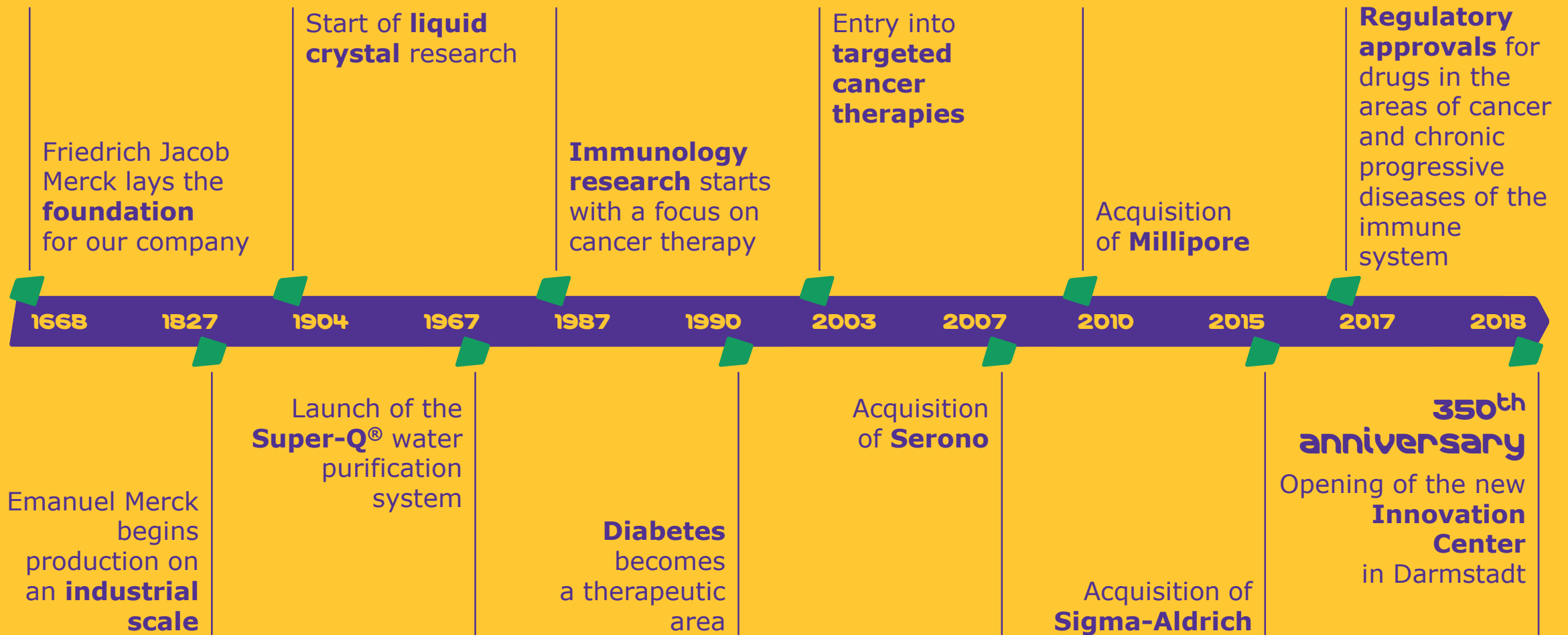
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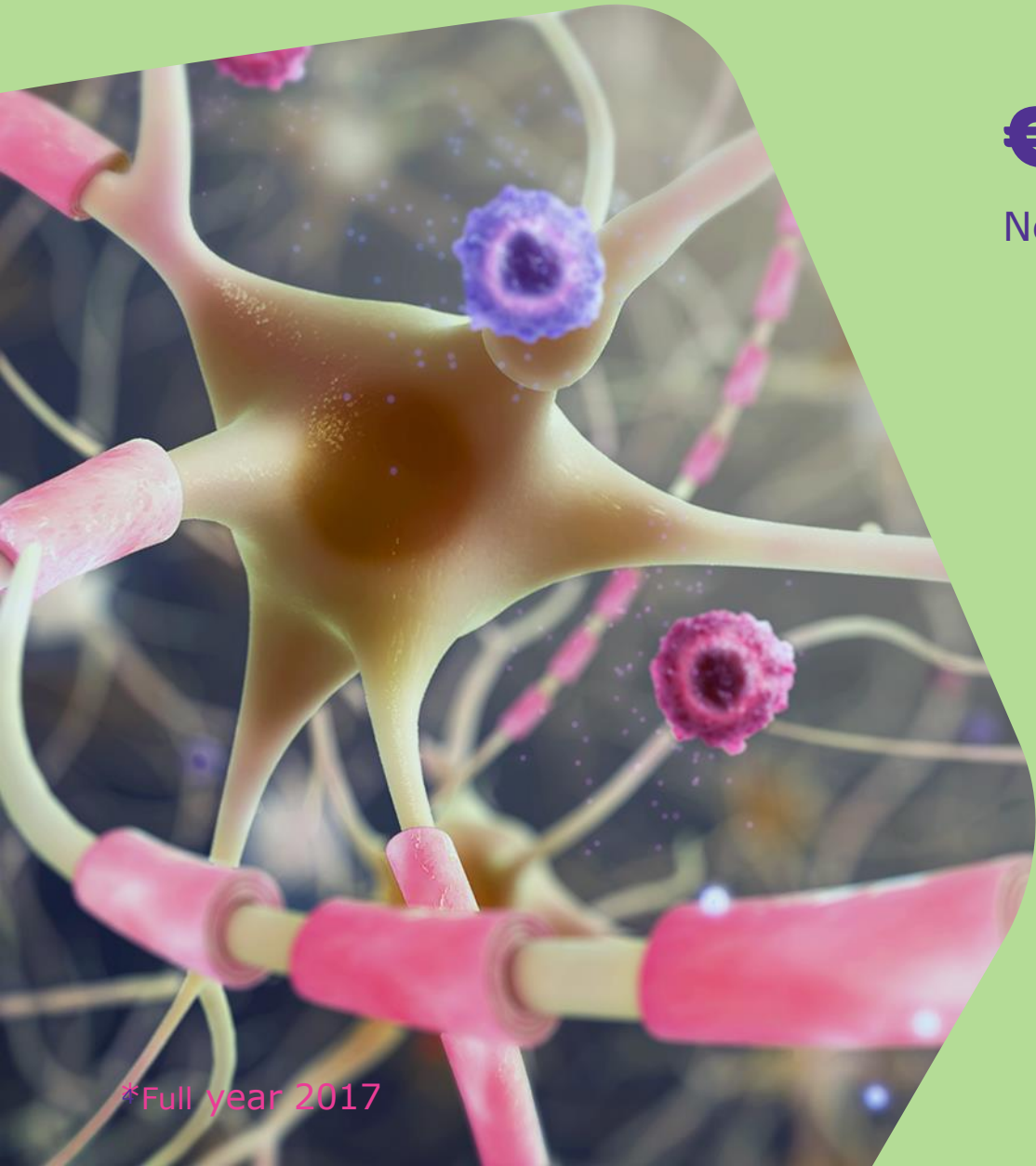
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€6.9bn

Net sales

46%

Share of Group Net Sales

20,000

Employees

€1.6bn

R&D spending

*Full year 2017



Development pipeline

February 15, 2018

Phase I

M2698
p70S6K & Akt inhibitor
Solid tumors

M3814
DNA-PK inhibitor
Solid tumors

M9831 (VX-984)
DNA-PK inhibitor
Solid tumors

M6620 (VX-970)
ATR inhibitor
Solid tumors

M4344 (VX-803)
ATR inhibitor
Solid tumors

M3541
ATM inhibitor
Solid tumors

M8891
MetAP2 inhibitor
Solid tumors

M7583
BTK inhibitor
Hematological malignancies

avelumab
anti-PD-L1 mAb
Solid tumors

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M9241 (NHS-IL12)²
Cancer immunotherapy
Solid tumors

M7824
anti-PD-L1/TGFbeta trap
Solid tumors

M4112
Cancer immunotherapy
Solid tumors

M1095 (ALX-0761)³
anti-IL-17 A/F nanobody
Psoriasis

M6495
anti-ADAMTS-5 nanobody
Osteoarthritis

M5717
PeEF2 inhibitor
Malaria

Phase II

tepotinib
c-Met kinase inhibitor
Non-small cell lung cancer

tepotinib
c-Met kinase inhibitor
Hepatocellular cancer

avelumab - anti-PD-L1 mAb
Merkel cell cancer 1L¹

sprifermin
fibroblast growth factor 18
Osteoarthritis

atacept
anti-Blys/anti-APRIL fusion protein
Systemic lupus erythematosus

atacept
anti-Blys/anti-APRIL fusion protein
IgA nephropathy

abrituzumab
anti-CD51 mAb
Systemic sclerosis with interstitial lung disease

evobrutinib
BTK inhibitor
Rheumatoid arthritis

evobrutinib
BTK inhibitor
Systemic lupus erythematosus

evobrutinib
BTK inhibitor
Multiple sclerosis

Phase III

avelumab - anti-PD-L1 mAb
Non-small cell lung cancer 1L¹

avelumab - anti-PD-L1 mAb
Gastric cancer 1L-M^{1M}

avelumab - anti-PD-L1 mAb
Ovarian cancer platinum resistant/refractory

avelumab - anti-PD-L1 mAb
Ovarian cancer 1L¹

avelumab - anti-PD-L1 mAb
Urothelial cancer 1L-M^{1M}

avelumab - anti-PD-L1 mAb
Renal cell cancer 1L¹

avelumab - anti-PD-L1 mAb
Locally advanced head and neck cancer

Registration

cladribine tablets
lymphocyte targeting agent
Relapsing multiple sclerosis⁴

- Oncology
- Immuno-Oncology
- Immunology
- Neurology
- General Medicine

¹ First-Line treatment; ^{1M} First-Line maintenance treatment.

² Sponsored by the National Cancer Institute (USA).

³ As announced on March 30, 2017, in an agreement with Avillion, anti-IL-17 A/F nanobody will be developed by Avillion for plaque psoriasis and commercialized by EMDSerono.

⁴ As announced on August 25, 2017, the European Commission has granted marketing authorization for cladribine tablets for the treatment of highly active relapsing multiple sclerosis in the 28 countries of the European Union in addition to Norway, Liechtenstein and Iceland.

Pipeline products are under clinical investigation and have not been proven to be safe and effective. There is no guarantee any product will be approved in the sought-after indication.



Research Informatics

Who we are and what we do

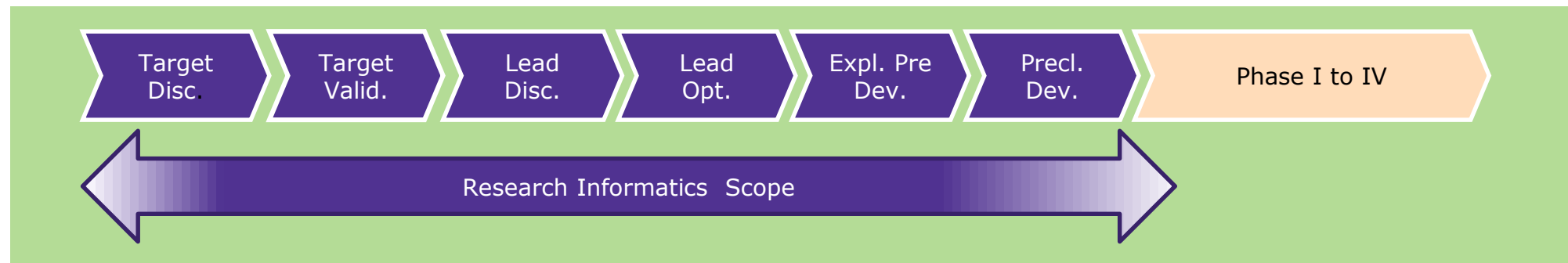
Research Informatics is part of the R&D Organization within Healthcare > Prescription Drugs

High-level RI objectives

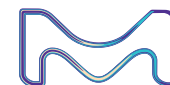
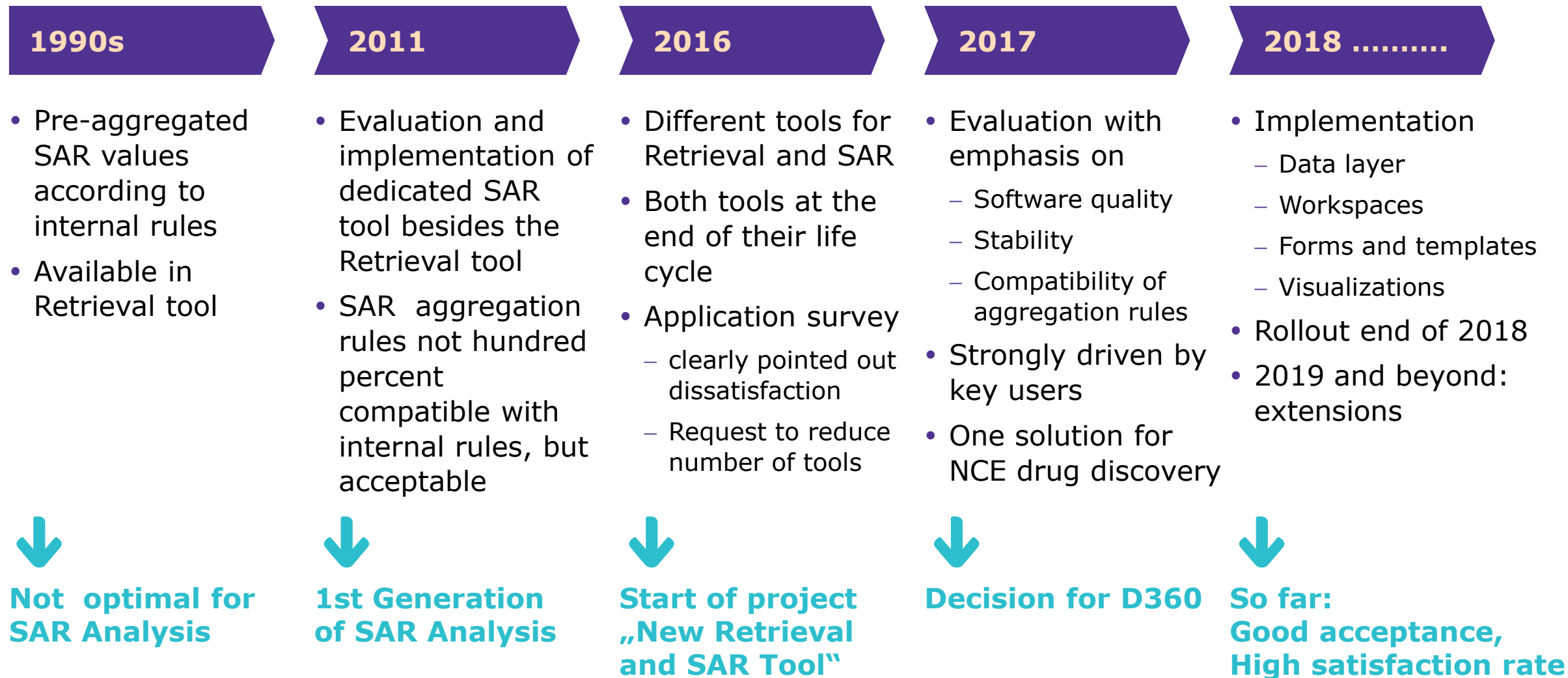
- Enable data driven decision making by providing state-of-the-art research knowledge management
- Manage research data from internal & external sources
 - data capture
 - processing and analysis
 - integration
 - visualization

OUR MISSION:

- Enable project teams and R&D activities by providing state of the art scientific informatics solutions and bioinformatics project contributions



A brief History of SAR



The Project „New Retrieval and SAR Tool“ for Small Molecules

Main requirements

- Seamless integration of Retrieval and SAR functionality in one application
- Global usage
- Good collaboration support (both internal and external)
- Potential to become an integrated Discovery Platform

Pre-determined Timelines

Feb 2017	Market assessment to identify suitable candidates
March 2017	Request for Proposal (RfP) Several vendors were contacted and asked for detailed information about their systems
July 2017	In-House evaluation with the most promising candidates
Dec 2017	Decision for one of the candidates
Dec 2018	Rollout of the selected solution

in a
nutshell

The Project - In-House Evaluation

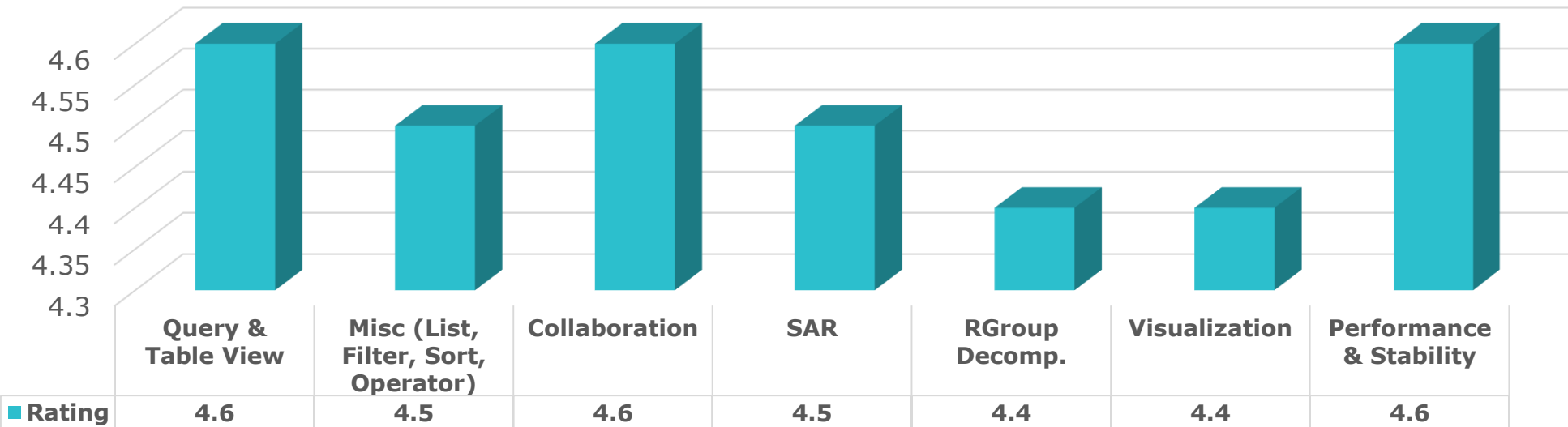
Test cases

- Pre-defined test cases with different complexity
- Clustered in 7 categories

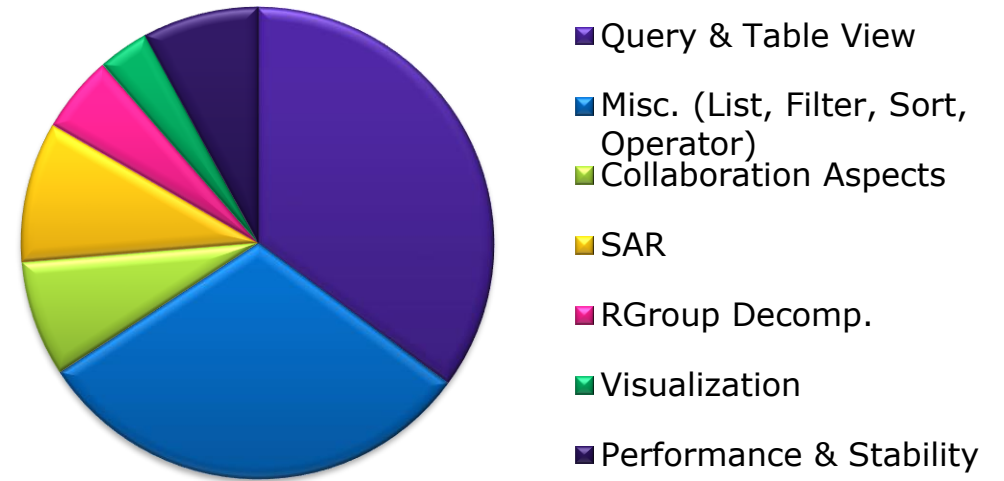
Engaged cross-functional Test Team

PoC for WebService integration

Feedback from Test Team: Rating for D360 (max 5)



Cluster of Test Cases



The Project - Decision

D360
identified
as
Next generation data
retrieval and SAR tool

Based on

- In-house evaluation
 - Extensive training of key users
 - Approval from key users
- PoC integration of Webservice
 - Confirmed by computational chemists
- Advisory service from independent consulting company *

* specialized and acknowledged for business and competitive intelligence services on research information systems for major pharmaceutical companies



The Project - Implementation

Implementation planned over 2 years

- Phase 1 – Laying the foundation
 - All Data needed to replace successor tools
 - Templates to cover different needs
 - Few WebServices
 - As much additional functionality as possible without endangering the timeline
 - Rollout in Dec 2018
- Phase 2 – exploring possibilities
 - Compound Design
 - Flexible platform to integrate additional chemo-informatic services
 - Combination screening data
 - Calculation server

Risk Analysis and Mitigation

- Performance
 - Regularly check and optimization
 - Hypercare
- User Acceptance
 - Establish Key User Team to
 - Support introduction of D360, e.g. defining templates, giving input for training
 - Support other D360 user after roll-out
 - Enable project teams to quickly ease into D360
 - Intensive training
- Unrealistic expectation *
- Involve Key User Team in planning of implementation phase 2 under consideration of cost/benefit ratio

* Examples:

- One-stop solution – including self-serving docking, modelling
- Implementation of convenience features which are rarely used



Data sharing and Transparency

Maximum data sharing

- All queries/templates/forms available for everyone
 - Project workspaces set to share with everyone
 - Personal workspaces encouraged to share
- Dedicated projects/functions workspace for project teams
- Examples and common templates
 - Dedicated “Template” workspace
 - Training workspaces – starting point for many users
- Annotations
 - Important feature to share knowledge inside project team



Guiding
principles

Maximum data availability

- Data Layer contains
 - Compounds (NCE)
 - Assay results as well as in-silico ones
 - Workflow information – assay requests
 - Logistics – availability of compounds
 - Documents
- Flexible data catalog in form of navigation tree
- Drill down to individual data point
- Virtual compounds – design workflow incorporated
- Computational server and virtual assays



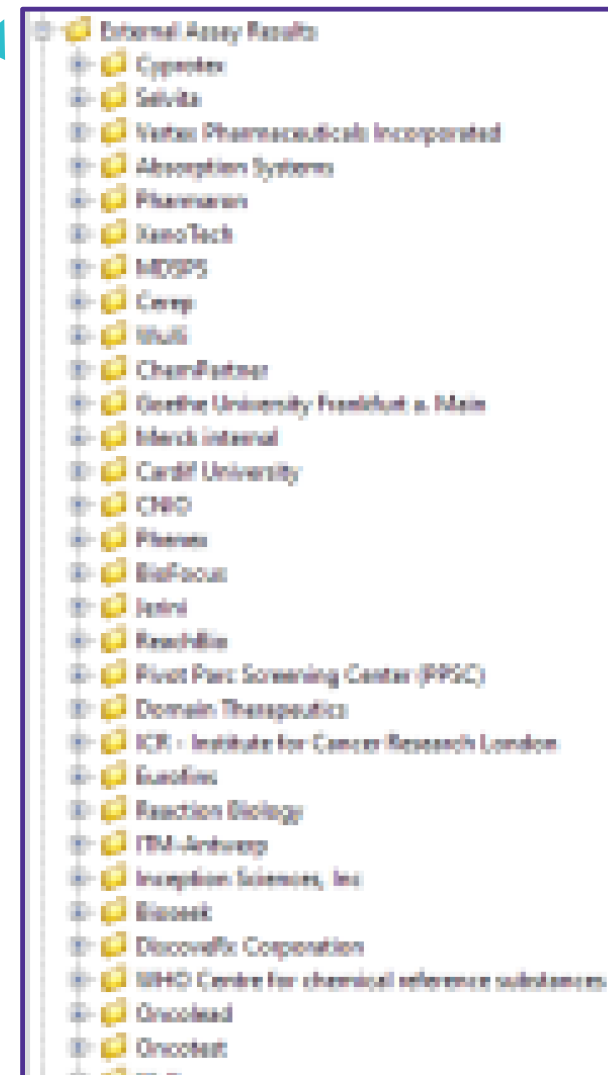
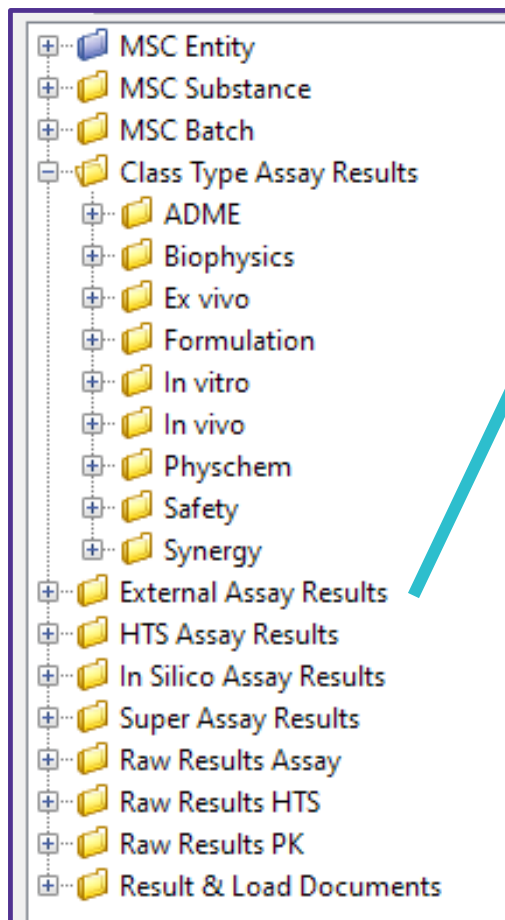
Data Catalogue

Compound – three levels

- Entity
- Substance (Salt)
- Batch

Assay Data – categorized to facilitate navigation

- Classification of assays
- External suppliers
- HTS
- Super assays
- Raw result – form building
- Documents



Different templates for different needs

SAR table - compound-centric form.

Batch Information

ID	Batch Code	Site	Batch date	Site	Contact	Supplier	Supplier type	Supplier Ref. No.	Project name	Amount	Expiry date	Comment
1	NSCC1788304-9	Pharmit	10-Sep-2009	83-48	Barikash	SPC Chemicals			F.10000001 - Janssen	2.0 kg	08-01-2010	08A-001 F9
2	NSCC1788304-8	Pharmit	10-Sep-2009	83-48	Barikash				F.10000001 - Janssen	2.0 kg	08-01-2010	08A-001 F9
3	NSCC1788304-7	Pharmit	10-Sep-2009	83-48	Barikash				F.10000001 - Janssen	2.0 kg	08-01-2010	08A-001 F9
4	NSCC1788304-6	Pharmit	10-Sep-2009	83-48	Barikash				F.10000001 - Janssen	2.0 kg	08-01-2010	08A-001 F9

Compound Logistics

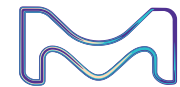
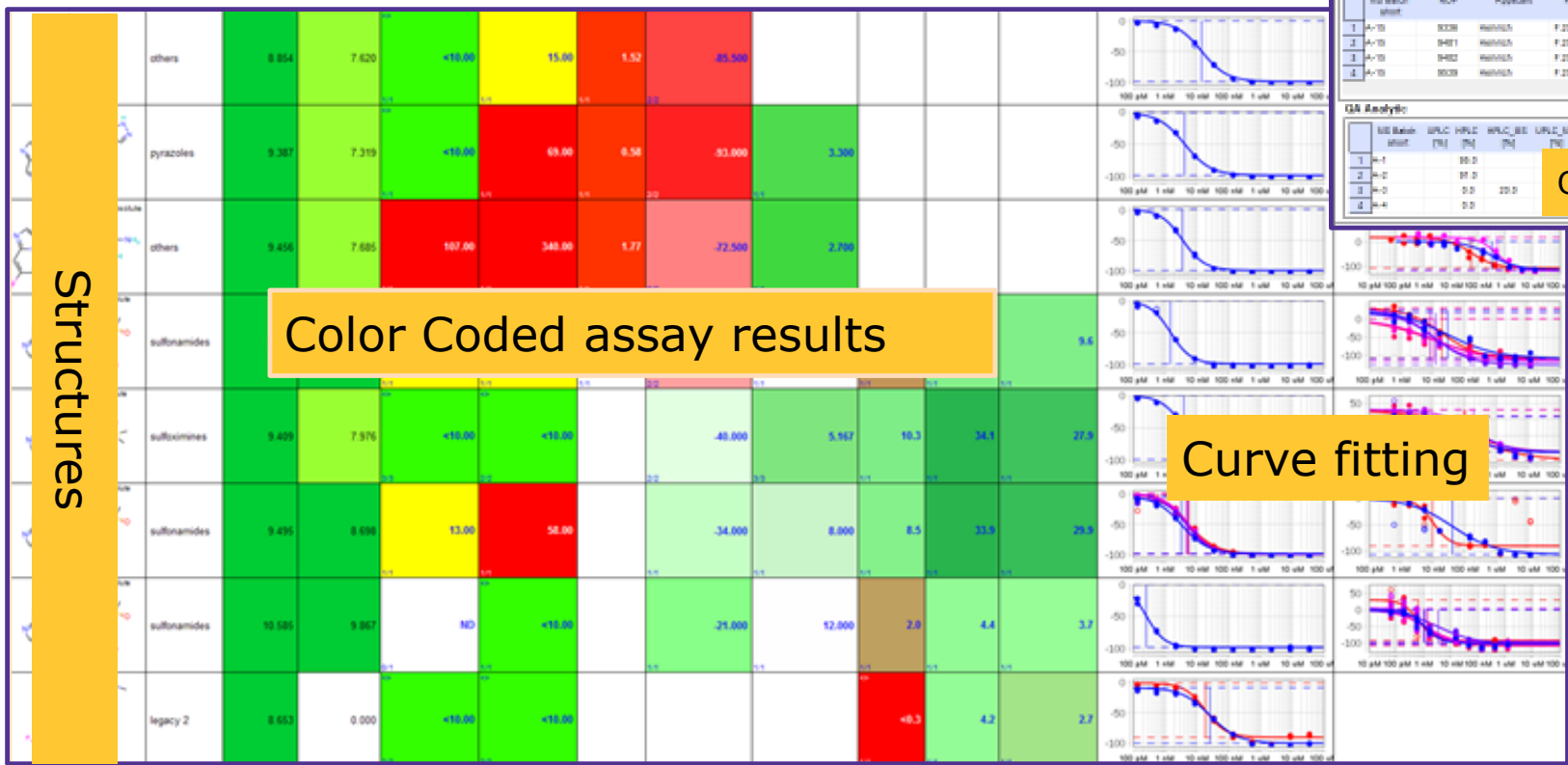
ID	Batch	Site	Amount	Container Type	Status	Process Status Date	Site ID	Carton	Weight	Task Weight	Order Weight
1	A-1	short	7000(+70)					1	807.000	800.000	800.000
2	A-2	short	7000(+70)					1	807.000	800.000	800.000
3	A-3	short	7000(+70)					1	807.000	800.000	800.000
4	A-4	short	7000(+70)					1	807.000	800.000	800.000

Workflow - assay request and status

ID	Batch	ROP	Applicant	Project	Request Comment	Requested Date	Test Status Code	Test Status
1	A-10	8038	Novartis	F.20147501	TK&D file from FCCC screen at	01-Jul-2010	00	Completed
2	A-10	8481	Novartis	F.20147501	TK&D file from FCCC screen at	01-Jul-2010	00	Completed
3	A-10	8482	Novartis	F.20147501	TK&D file from FCCC screen at	01-Jul-2010	00	Completed
4	A-10	8038	Novartis	F.20147501	TK&D file from FCCC screen at	01-Jul-2010	00	Completed

QC/Analytic Chemistry

ID	Batch	WFLC	WFLC_HPLC	WFLC_MS	WFLC_MS	Other	Purity Method	Max Purity	Min Purity	Real Purity Test	Doc Group	Status	In Stock	By	Assessment	Status Description	Status	Assessment	Assessment
1	A-1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0							APPROVED		A.A.A.A.	Approved for entry	08A-001 F9	11-Jul-2010		
2	A-2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0							APPROVED		A.A.A.A.	Approved for entry	08A-001 F9	11-Jul-2010		
3	A-3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0							APPROVED		A.A.A.A.	Approved for entry	08A-001 F9	11-Jul-2010		
4	A-4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0							APPROVED		A.A.A.A.	Approved for entry	08A-001 F9	11-Jul-2010		



Compound Design Workflow

Most functions available in D360

- **Registration of virtual compounds is done in a separate system**
 - Structure, scientific project, ...
- **D360 is used for Retrieval and SAR along real compounds**
 - Pre-calculated PhysChem Properties
 - In silico assays
 - Status tracking
 - Rating
 - Synthesis Plan
 - Availability as real compound

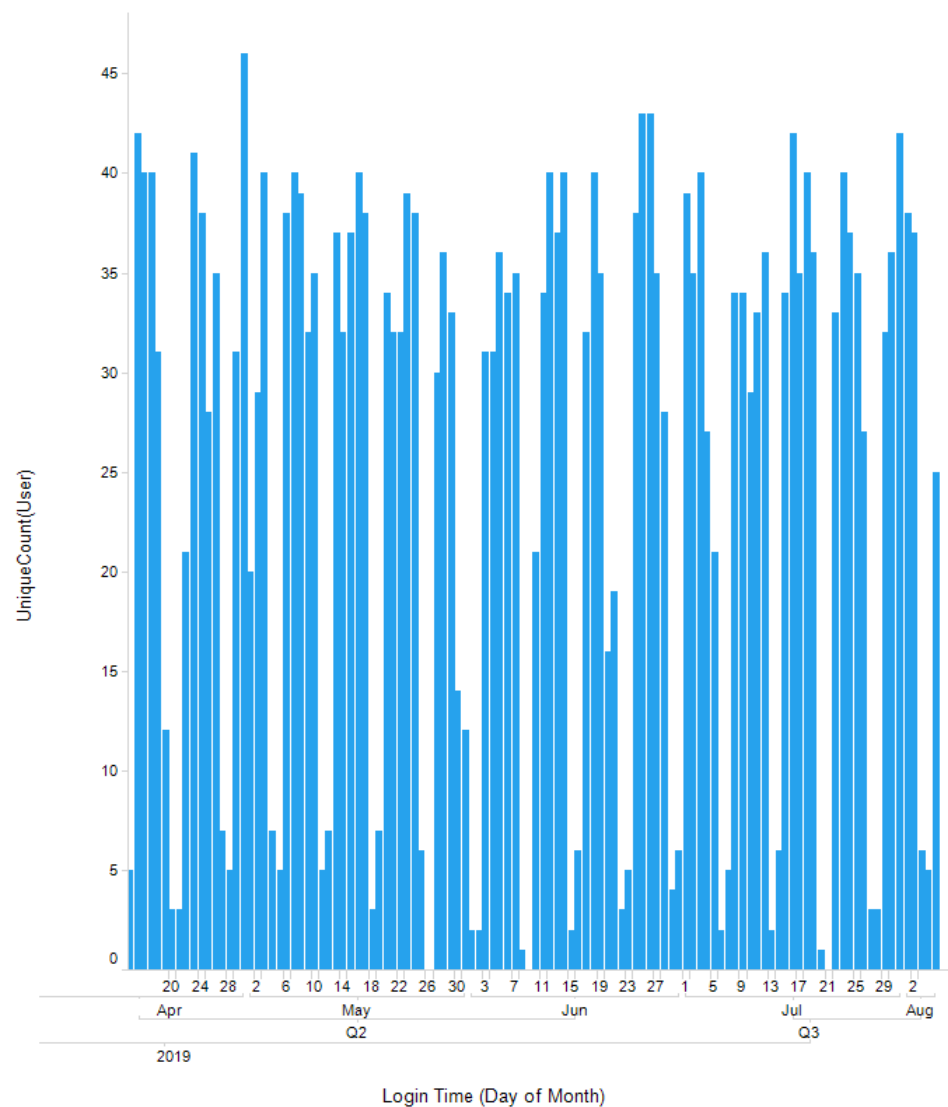
			Concat Contact	HAc	HDon	Stat	Type	MW	Ref	LogP	LogP R	LogD 7.4	ApKa1	ApKa2	QpKa1	QpKa2	LogS 74 THERMO	Pfizer MPO			
Virtual compound code	Structures	Mapping to real compound if synthesized	Desferal	6	2													-3.176	3.930		
			Toxite	9	1														-2.026	4.690	
			Toxite	8	8	5	77.758	436.558	8	1.898	8.430	8.888			8.456	4.808			-1.598	5.220	
			Toxite	7	8	4	85.529	386.468	8	1.876	8.580	8.829			8.116	4.708			-1.276	5.980	
			Toxite	7	2	4	91.308	370.424	8	6.473	8.230	8.184			7.527	3.999			-2.138	5.380	
			Lee Lee Lee	3	2	1	62.708	169.163	8	2.863	8.330	2.083			3.384	-1.624			-2.178	5.580	
			Wang	9	2	7	112.258	515.948	1	2.147	8.410	-1.082	0.312	8.375	8.198	3.794			-1.628	3.780	
			Desferal	6	1	6	65.548	566.487	1	4.353	8.530	4.353	14.295			3.785	-1.678			-5.678	3.580
			Wang	7	2	8	85.958	515.618	1	2.390	8.380	8.554	11.168	15.860	8.877	3.738				-1.988	3.580
			Lee	8	5	7	127.238	476.792	8	8.968	8.580	8.878	12.708	14.380	7.042	0.951				-4.258	3.180
			Lee	6	2	4	68.708	488.583	8	2.729	8.890	1.687	14.185	15.769	8.583	3.898				-2.718	4.780
			Toxite	10	1	6	136.908	458.534	8	8.586	8.370	8.516	12.702			6.486	0.111			-2.088	4.130
			Toxite Toxite	9	1	4	111.458	422.488	8	1.896	8.580	1.096	13.827			8.238	-0.861			-2.188	4.870
			Desferal	5	2	4	57.268	486.445	8	3.214	8.850	2.191	12.888			8.183	3.997			-2.718	4.770
			Lee	7	1	6	64.608	584.472	1	2.347	8.380	2.338	12.429			7.885	2.201			-2.628	4.670
			Lee	6	1	5	81.368	395.477	8	1.785	8.390	8.588	13.807			8.582	5.173			-1.388	5.540



Statistics

A widely adopted platform

- ~ 185 active users
 - Very consistent daily usage (graph in the right)
- Over one third are frequent users (more than two or three times a week)
 - All medicinal chemists
 - Most computational chemists
 - Project teams
- > 1,300 templates created
 - Cover all NCE discovery projects
- > 15,000 annotations recorded



One platform for everyone (in NCE drug Discovery)

1

Chemists

- Data retrieval
- SAR analysis
- Hit and Lead Decisions

2

Designers

- Virtual compounds
- Property calculation
- Predictions

3

Biologists

- Data availability and QA
- Data integrity
- Data accuracy and completion

4

Others: pre-clinical development

- Compound fact sheet
- Coverage of data

Maximum
collaboration
D360 connects the
scientific
community



Visibility of Data Details encourages Communication

Data Consumer – Medicinal Chemists

- Simple data for quick decision
 - Efficient decision making among thousand compounds
 - SAR: one assay, one value
 - Always have numeric value – coloring, sorting, visualization and comparison
- Ignore experimental errors
 - Ranking compounds in the error margin

Data Producer - Biologists

- Data accuracy
 - Numeric value not always available – can't compare in many cases
 - Review curves
 - Experiment and result comments equally important as results
- Data quality
 - Repetition of experimental data

1. Drill-down: aggregated data with drill-down to single data points
2. Extrapolated data under certain conditions – approved by screeners
3. Column orders – summary data first, and detail/comments last or even hidden



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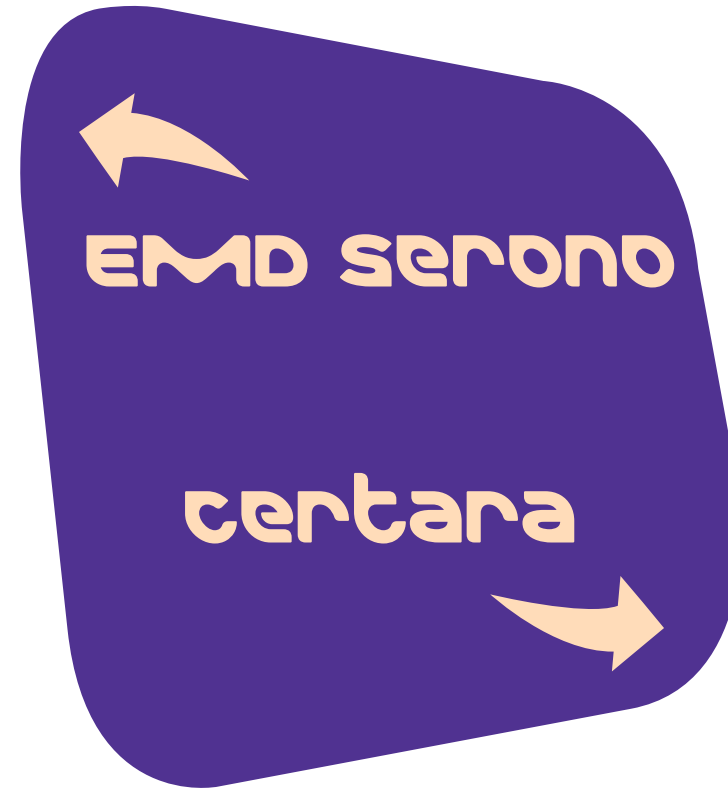
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