

LIGAND-BASED NMR TECHNIQUES TO STUDY BIOMOLECULAR INTERACTIONS: A FOCUS ON SATURATION TRANSFER DIFFERENCE (STD) NMR

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This course is intended for undergraduate and graduate students, as well as for more experienced researchers that want to deepen their knowledge about ligand-based NMR techniques for the study of biomolecular interactions, particularly focusing on the applications of the Saturation Transfer Difference (STD) NMR technique. The students

should have a background in the basic principles of

1D NMR spectroscopy (2D NMR desirable), as well as in basic structural biochemistry (biomolecular structure).

Dates: 12th, 19th, 26th May, 1pm-3pm (Sao Paulo time zone)

Limit of attendees: up to 100. Overbook will be evaluated.

CONTENT

Ressonáncia Magnética Nuclear 1.- Binding equilibria and chemical exchange

2.- Ligand-based NMR methods (I). Methods based on relaxation

- 2.1. Transverse relaxation
- 2.2. Longitudinal relaxation
- 2.3. Paramagnetic relaxation
- 2.4. ¹⁹F NMR relaxation

3.- Ligand-based NMR methods (II). Methods based on the nuclear Overhauser effect (nOe).

- 3.1. Transfer of *intra-molecular* NOE: exchange-transferred NOE.
- 3.2. Transfer of inter-molecular NOE:
 - 3.2.1.- ILOEs and INPHARMA
 - 3.2.2.- WaterLOGSY
 - 3.2.3.- Brief introduction to STD NMR

4.- Ligand-based NMR methods (III). Methods based on translational diffusion.

5.- Coming into the details of Saturation Transfer Difference (STD) NMR

- 5.1. Introduction to Saturation Transfer. Chemical exchange
- 5.2. Spin diffusion and STD NMR outcomes



5.3. Ligand screening

- 5.4. Optimisation of experimental conditions
- 5.5. Getting structural information from the ligand: Group Epitope Mapping
- 5.6. Kinetics of STD NMR. T1-bias
- 5.7. STD NMR build-up curves. Analysis of initial growth rates

6. Applications of Saturation Transfer Difference (STD) NMR (I)

6.1. Saturation Transfer Double Difference (STDD) NMR. On-cell STD NMR6.2. Affinity measurements. Binding isotherms. Concept of "fast rebinding". Initial growth rates approach.

7. Applications of Saturation Transfer Difference (STD) NMR (II)

7.1. Validation of 3D structures of protein-ligand complexes. Docking. MD.7.2. Complete Relaxation and Conformational Exchange Matrix Approach (CORCEMA-ST)

7.3. Multiple ligand binding modes. Concept of "fast cross-rebinding"

8. Applications of Saturation Transfer Difference (STD) NMR (III). Novel Approaches.

- 8.1. Can we get information about the protein? DEEP-STD NMR
- 8.2. Spatially resolved STD NMR
- 8.3. Application of STD NMR to soft-matter (organo- and hydro-gels)
- 8.4. spin-STD (SSTD) NMR. Kinetics of chemical exchange

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We will not follow one piece of material. There are, however, different materials that can be used to prepare, follow, and deepen into knowledge even beyond the course (see REFERENCES). Among them, excellent discussions about the basics of NMR for ligand-receptor interactions can be found in:

(Book) T. Claridge, HIGH-RESOLUTION NMR TECHNIQUES IN ORGANIC CHEMISTRY, Elsevier, 2016. (Chapters 11; also Chapter 9 for NOE).

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