Tentative Outline

Special Thematic Issue for Combinatorial Chemistry & High Throughput Screening

Accounting Receptor Dynamic Behavior into Structure-based Design

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• Scope of the Thematic Issue:
  Nowadays, structure-based design has been routinely applied in the drug discovery, with a better understanding about complexity of biological systems. As biological systems usually move to perform the functions, a variety of strategies have been developed for incorporating the receptor dynamic behavior into the design produces. Molecular simulation, NMR, electron microscopy and single-molecule fluorescence techniques have established their roles to present the intrinsically dynamic behavior of biomacromolecules, helping us to elucidate the physiological structures. Accordingly, this special issue is to commemorate the introduction and application of these techniques in structure-based design for the in-depth investigation on the dynamic nature of biological systems, and uncovering the receptor-ligand / protein-protein interaction modulations. All aspects are welcome, including the current efforts in theoretical developments.

Keywords: Lead compound, Molecular recognition, Protein-protein interaction, Receptor dynamics, Structural characterization, Structure-based design

Sub-topics:
The sub-topics to be covered within the issue should be provided:

- Lead compound discovery and optimization
- Molecular recognition in structure-based design
- Protein-protein interactions in structure-based design
- Receptor dynamics and conformational sampling in structure-based design
- Development of structure-based design

Tentative titles of the articles and list of contributors:

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