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# ***In situ* NMR and STD NMR to Study Mechanisms of Enzyme Catalyzed Reactions to Optimize Use of Enzymes in Organic Synthesis**

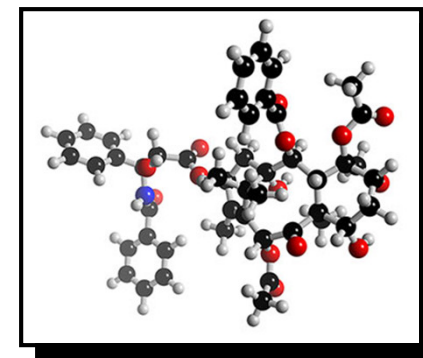
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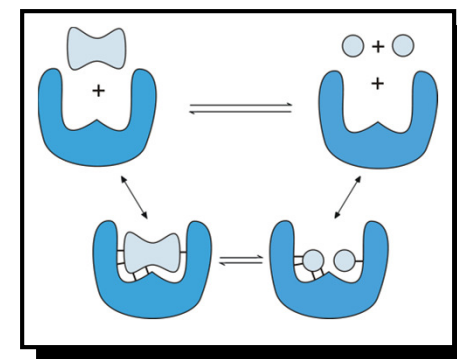
# Modern Synthesis in Green Chemistry

... is used to synthesize complex molecules.

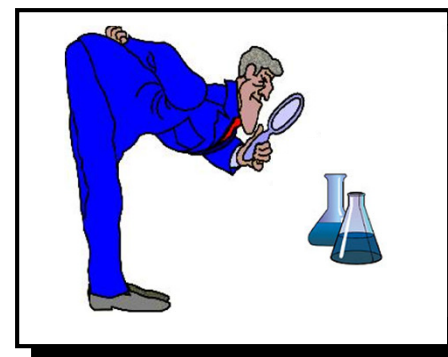


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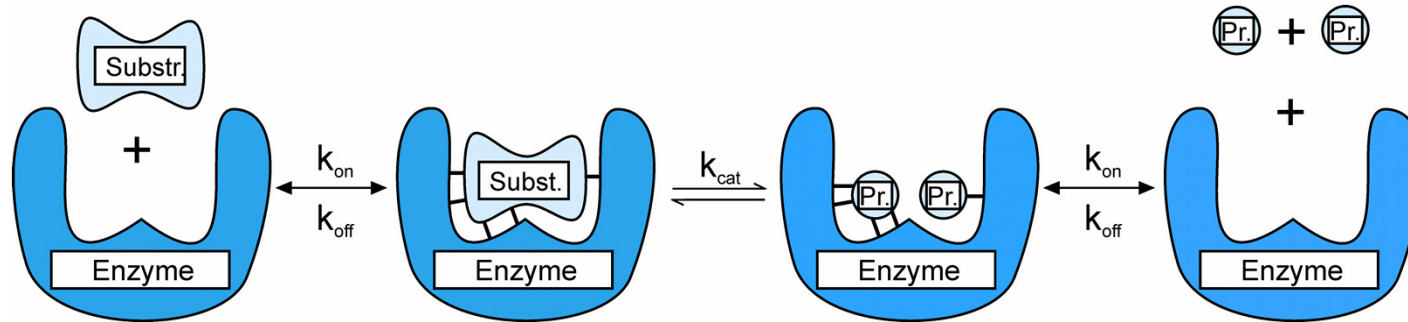
- new chemical reactions
- biocatalyzed transformations



An effective application requires knowledge about details of the reactions, in particular in the field of biocatalysis.



# Details of Biocatalyzed Reactions



- Solutions structure of starting materials
- Progress of the reaction and reaction rate
- Kinetic data
- Parallel and consecutive reactions as well as metabolisms
- Identification of intermediates
- Substrate and product binding to enzymes
- Reaction mechanisms
- Structure of products

***“NMR Spectroscopy is a window to the world of biocatalysed reactions!”***

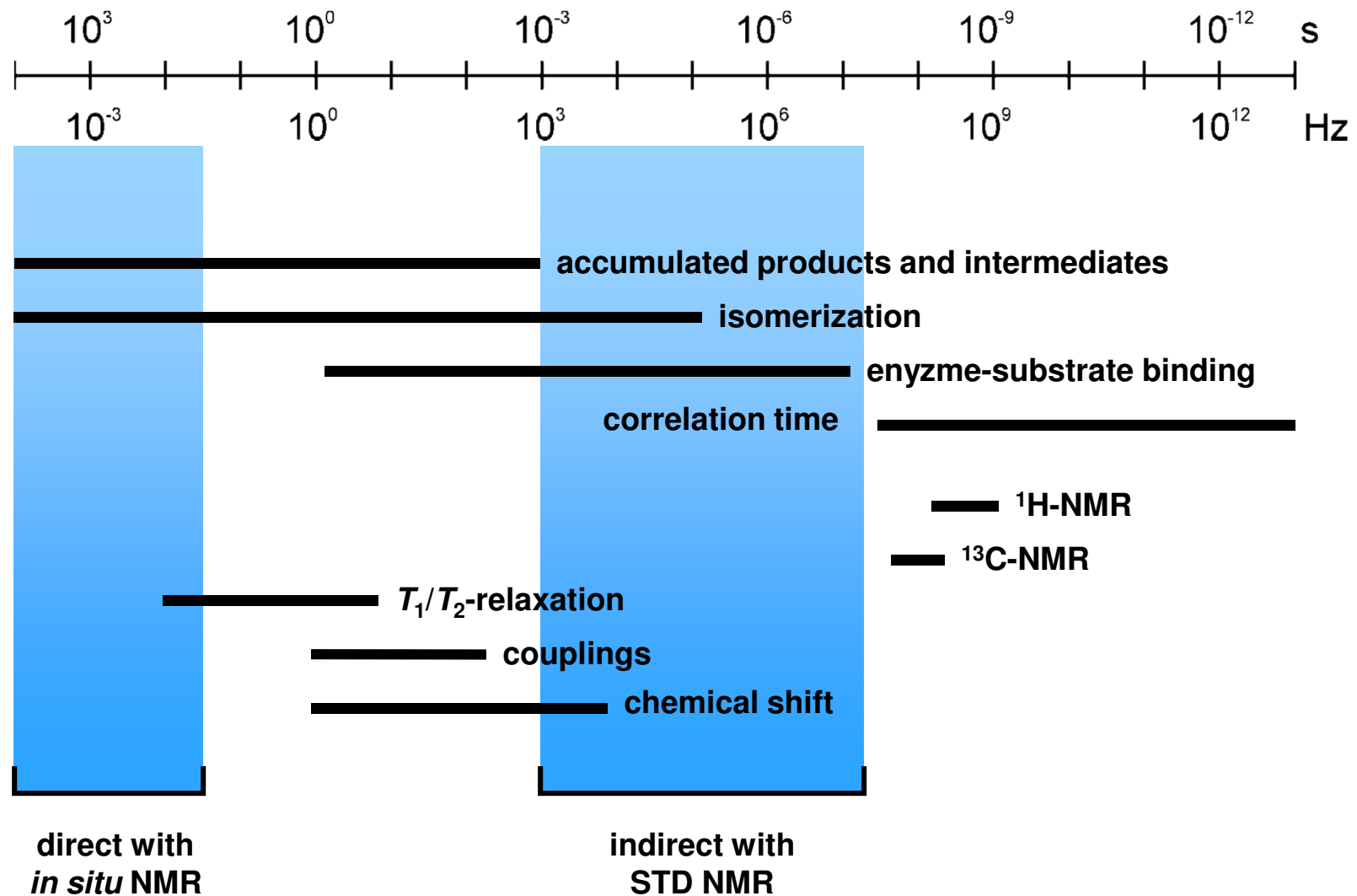
**D. W. Ribbons, 1997**

Which details of reactions can be investigated by NMR?

Which concepts und methods have to be applied?



# Time-Dependence of NMR-Measuring Methods

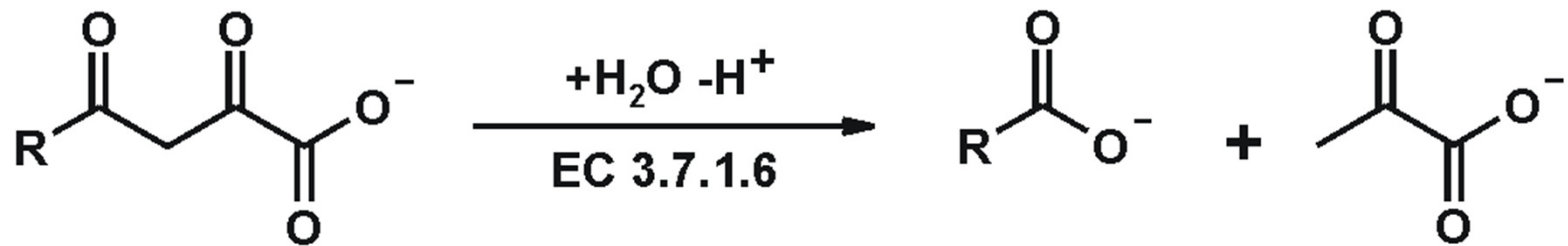


- No sampling necessary
- Reaction is not influenced
- Direct substrate and product analysis possible
- 'Separation' can be made in the spectrum
- (Almost) all organic compounds contain protons
- Expensive isotope labeling is not necessary
- Concentrations down to ca. 100  $\mu\text{M}$  are well detectable
  
- Water-suppression
- $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  must be added for a Lock-signal
- Small spectral width

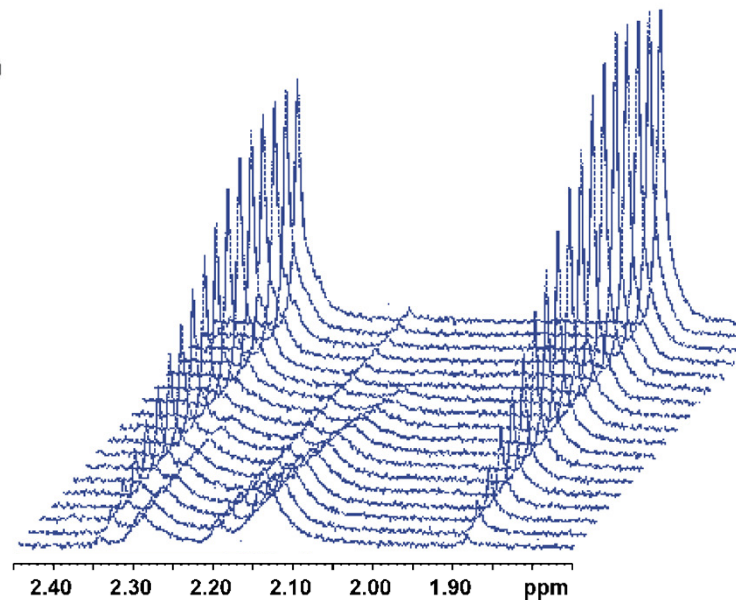
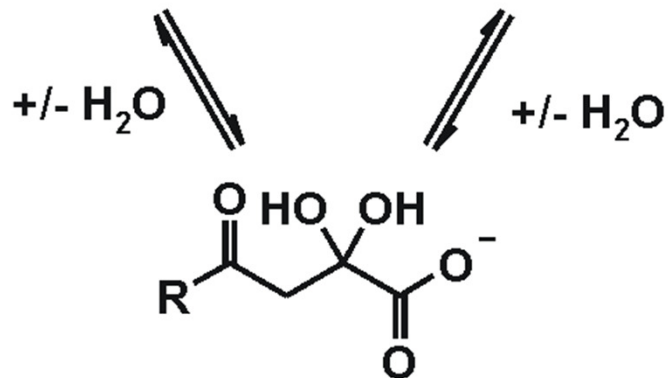
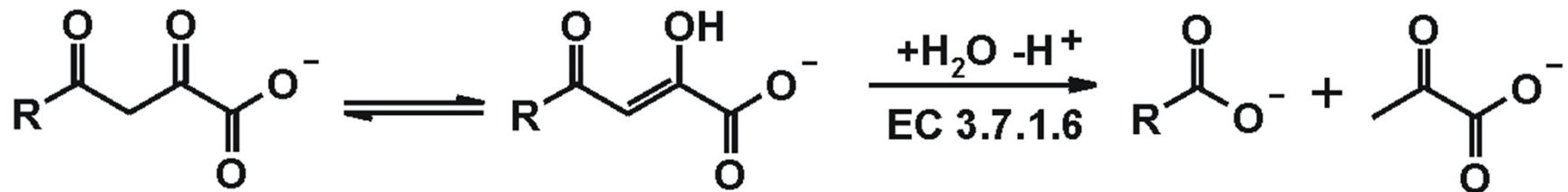


# $\beta$ -Ketolase – Reaction

Isolated from *Pseudomonas putida* ORC

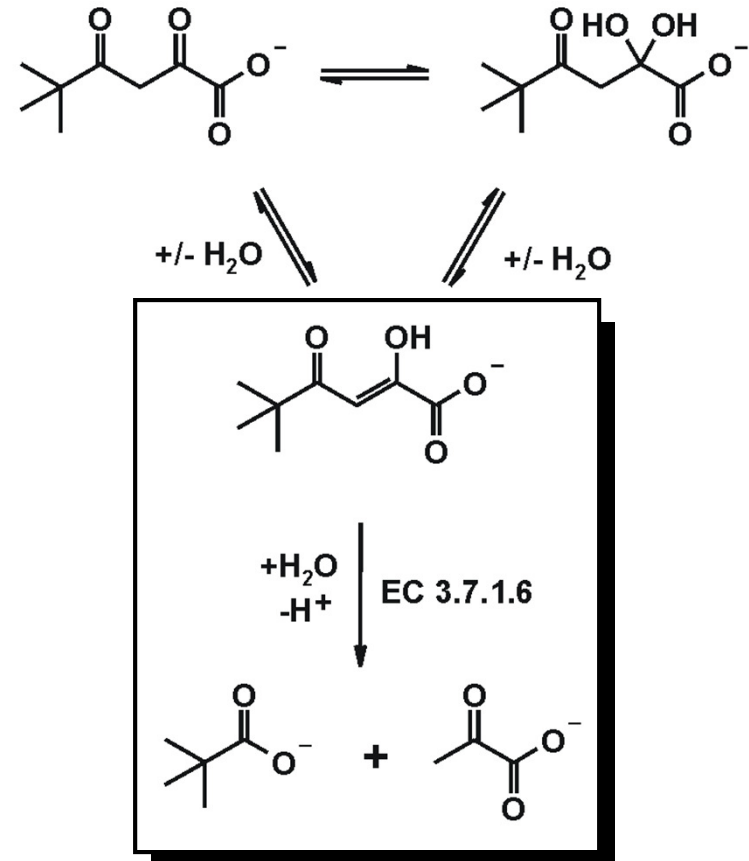
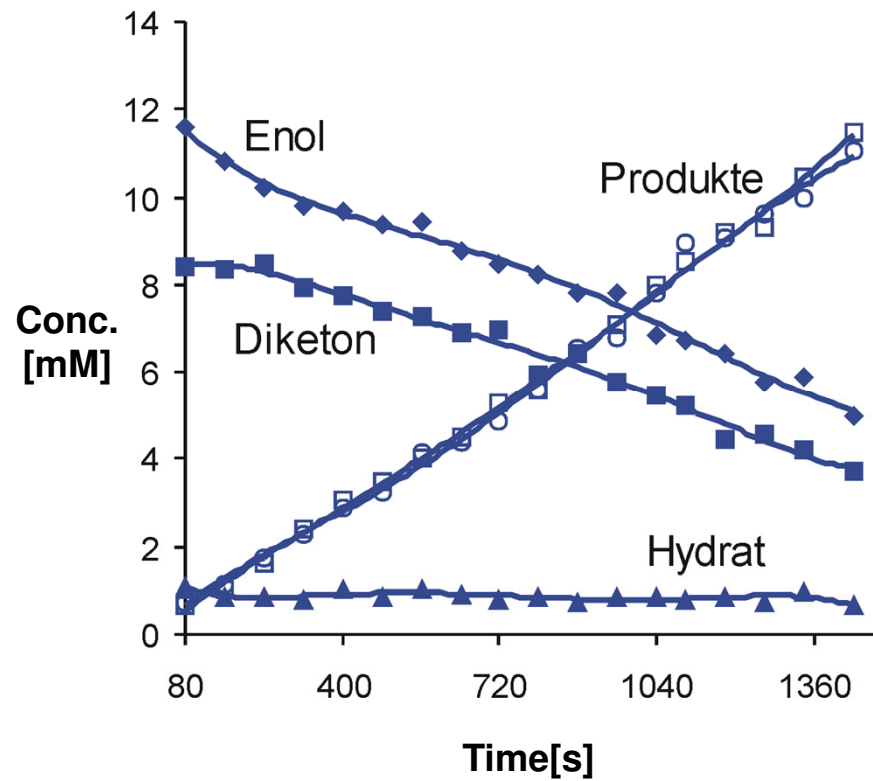


# $\beta$ -Ketolase – Enzyme Catalysed Hydrolysis



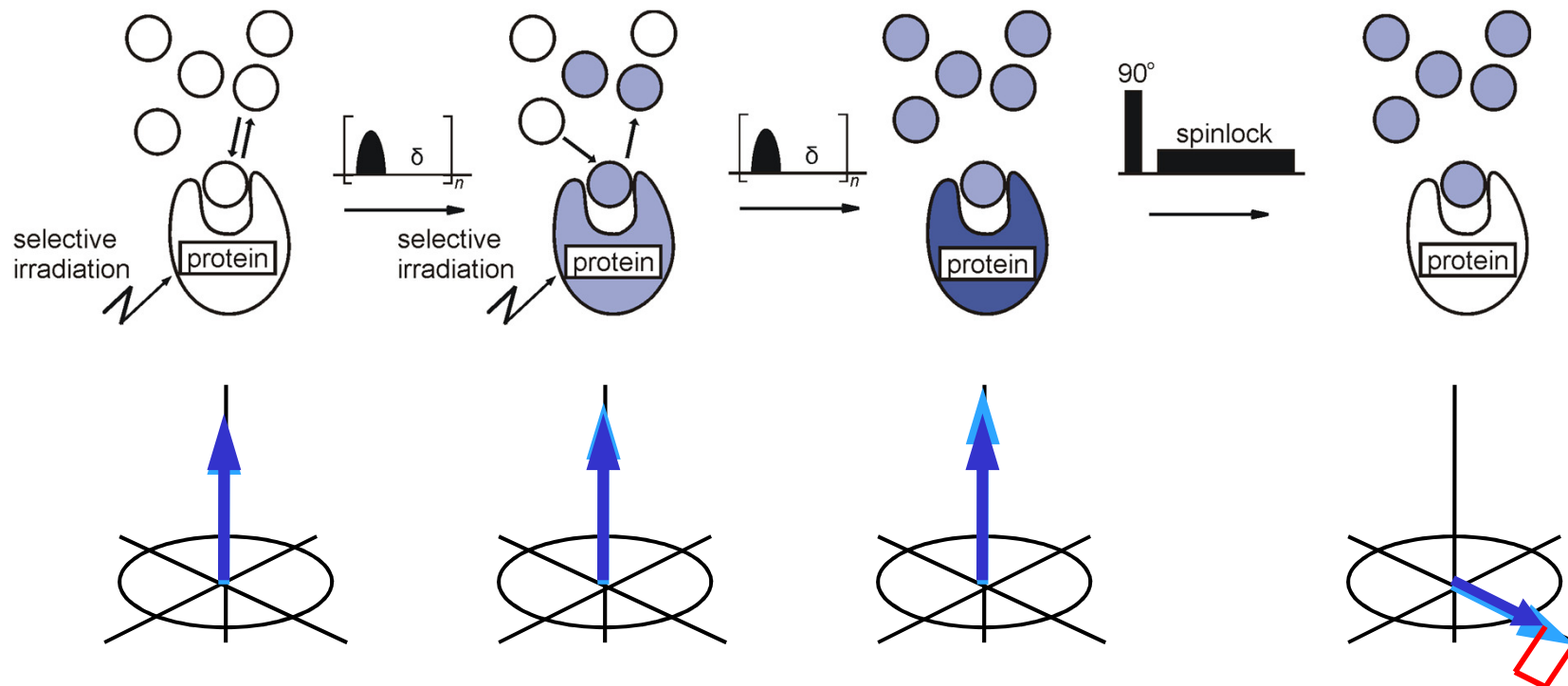
$\text{R} = \text{CH}_3$

# $\beta$ -Ketolase – Hydrolysis of the Enol-Form



# Saturation Transfer Difference (STD) NMR

## Principle



- 1. Experiment: Selective irradiation of a protein frequency
- 2. Experiment: Irradiation at  $\sim 40$  ppm

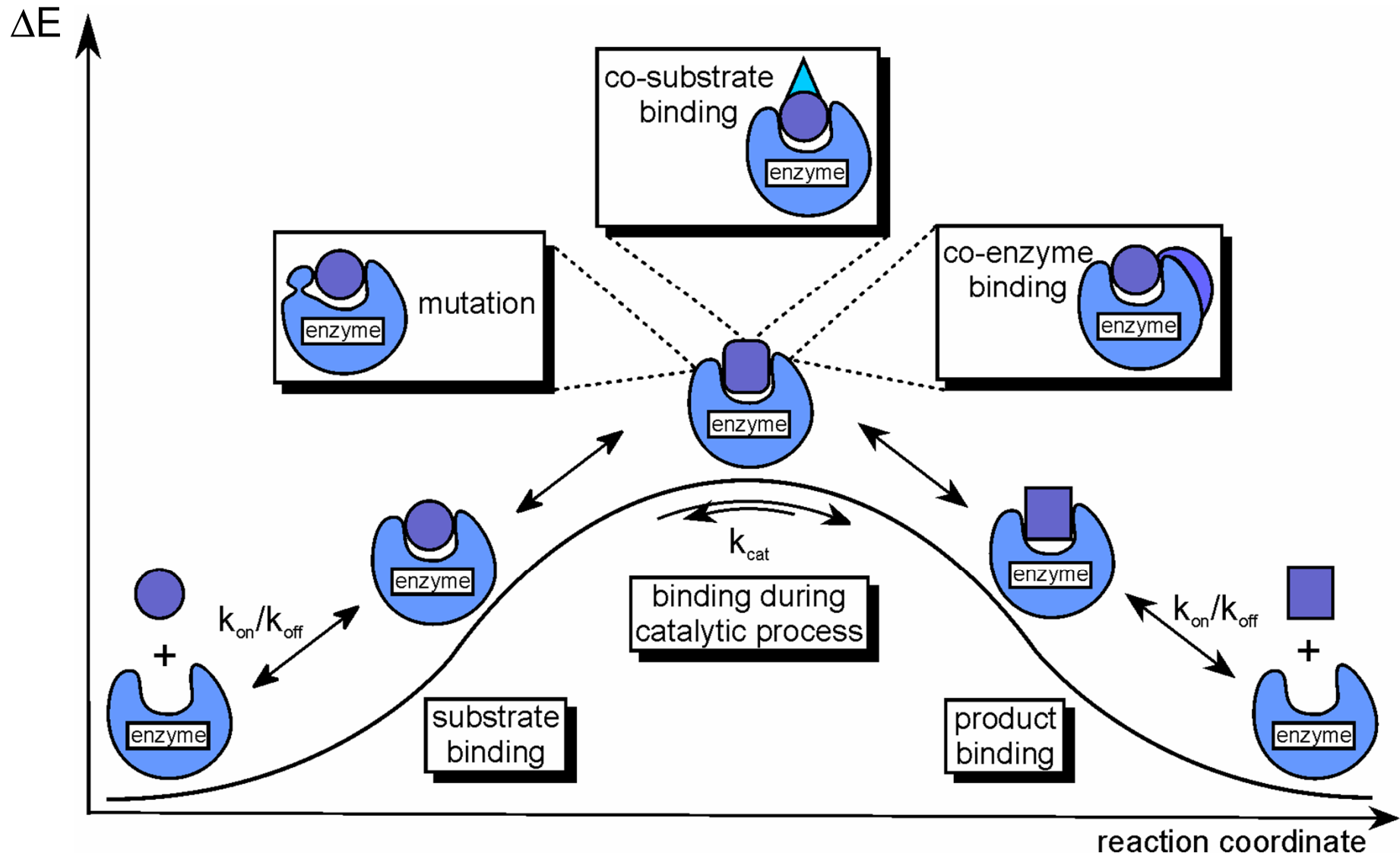
## Premises

- Small amounts of the protein [μg scale]
- Isotopic labeling is not necessary
- Independent of knowledge about the protein structure

## Results

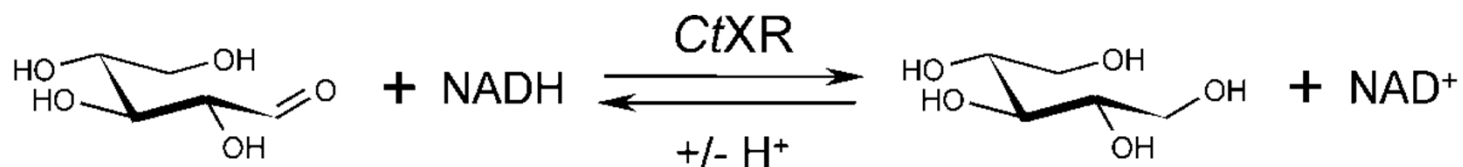
- Spatial closeness of ligand-protons to the protein
- Binding epitope of the ligands
- Information about protein-ligand interactions

# STD NMR in Biocatalysis



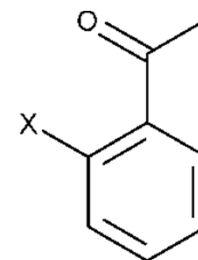
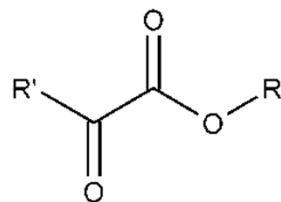
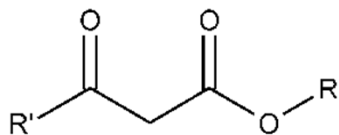
# Binding of Intermediates during Reaction

## *Candida tenuis* Xylose Reductase (CtXR)



Acceptance of a very broad variety of unnatural substrates

- $\alpha$ -keto-ester
- $\beta$ -keto-ester
- *ortho*-halo-acetophenone



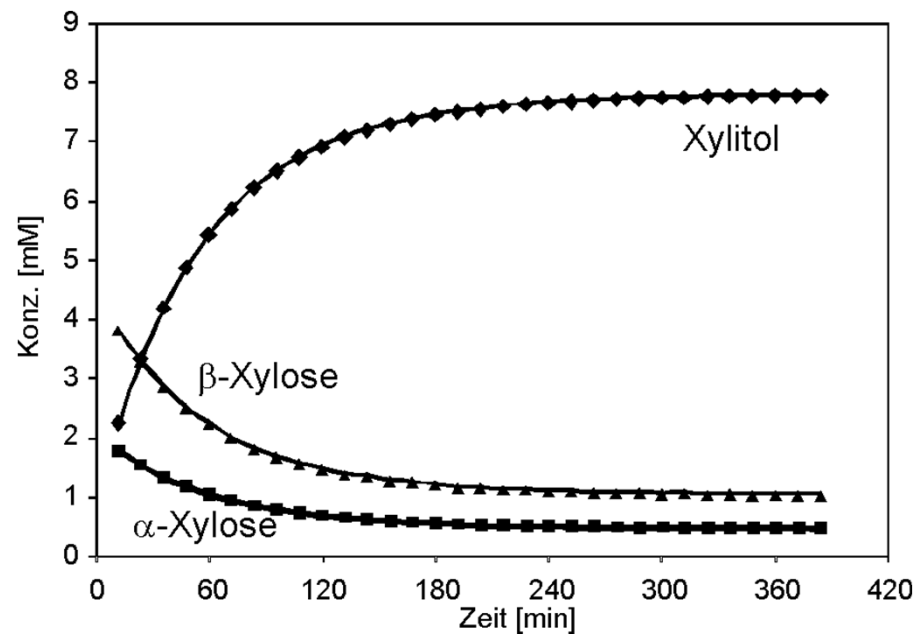
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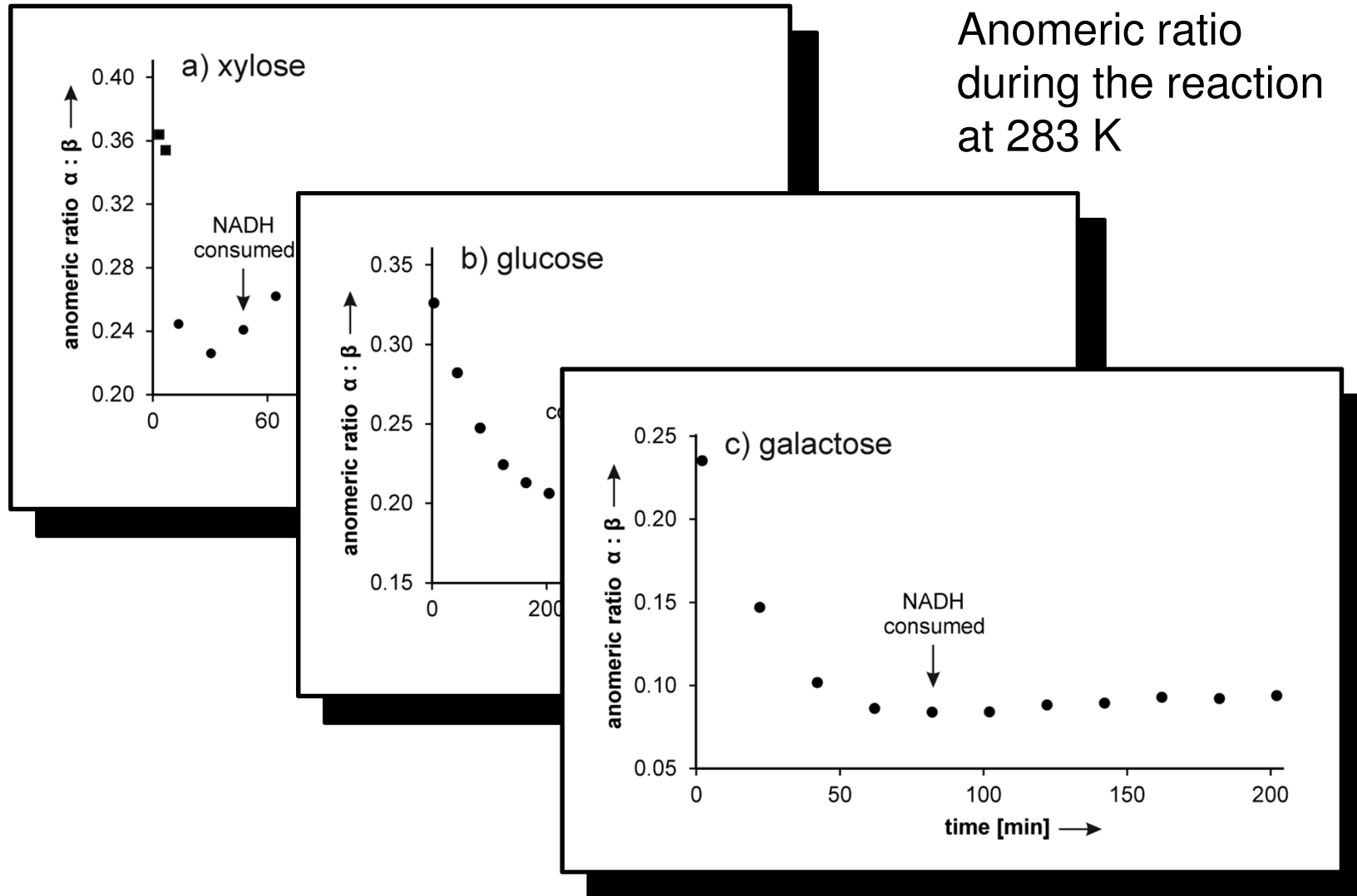
Very high catalytic efficiency:  $680,000 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$

*In situ* NMR of CtXR  
catalysed xylose  
reduction at 303 K

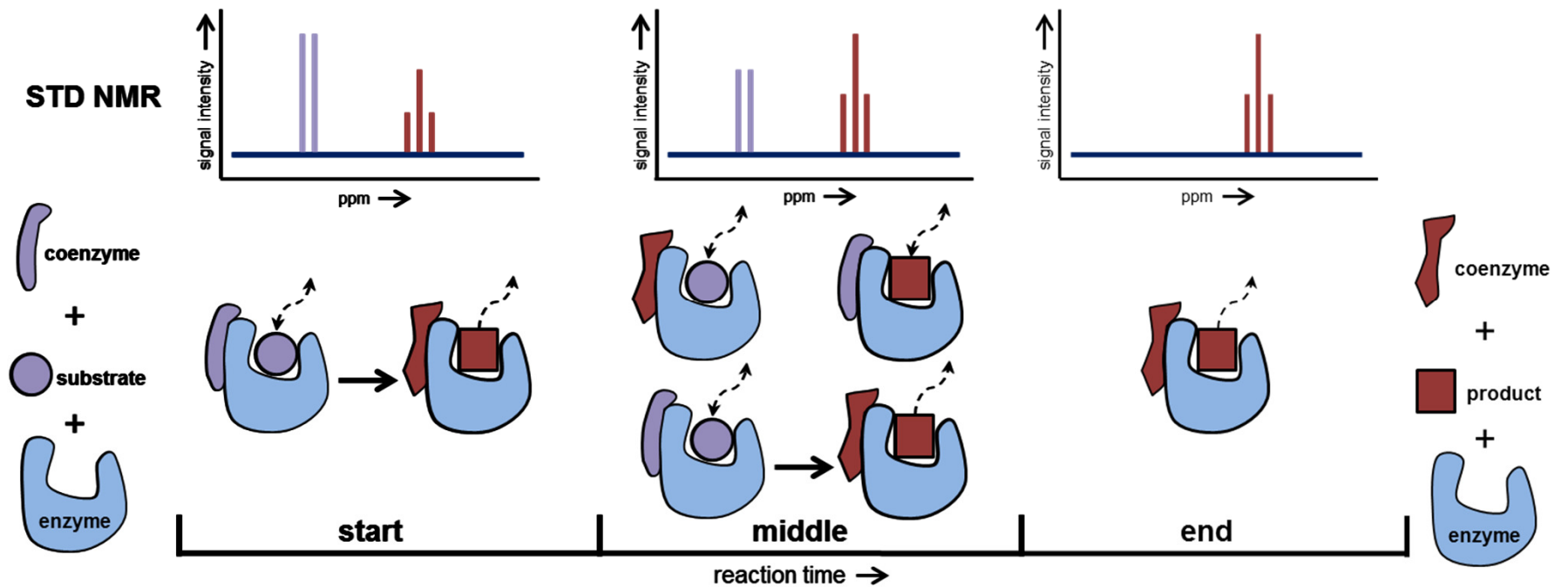




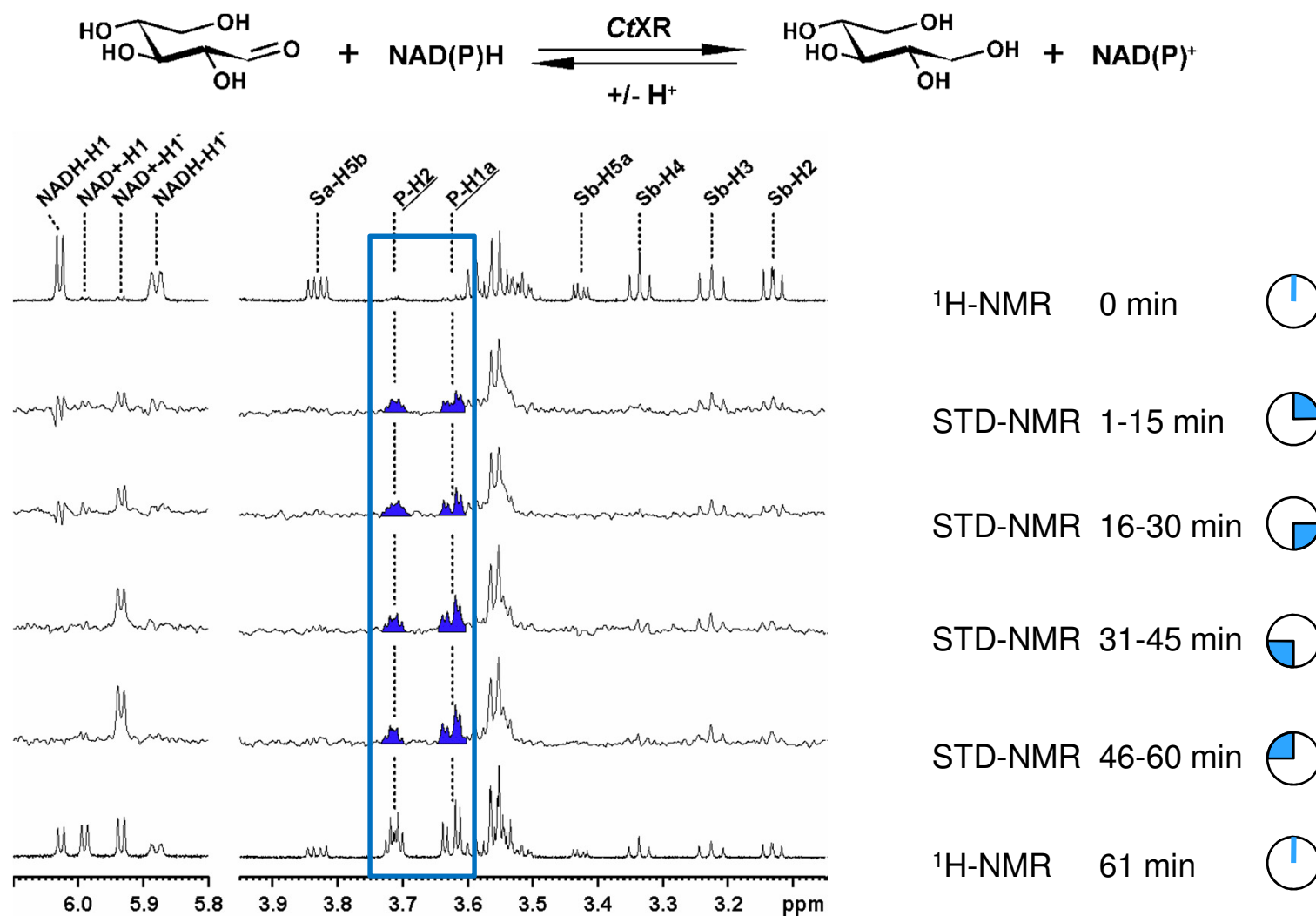
# In situ NMR of CtXR catalysed reductions



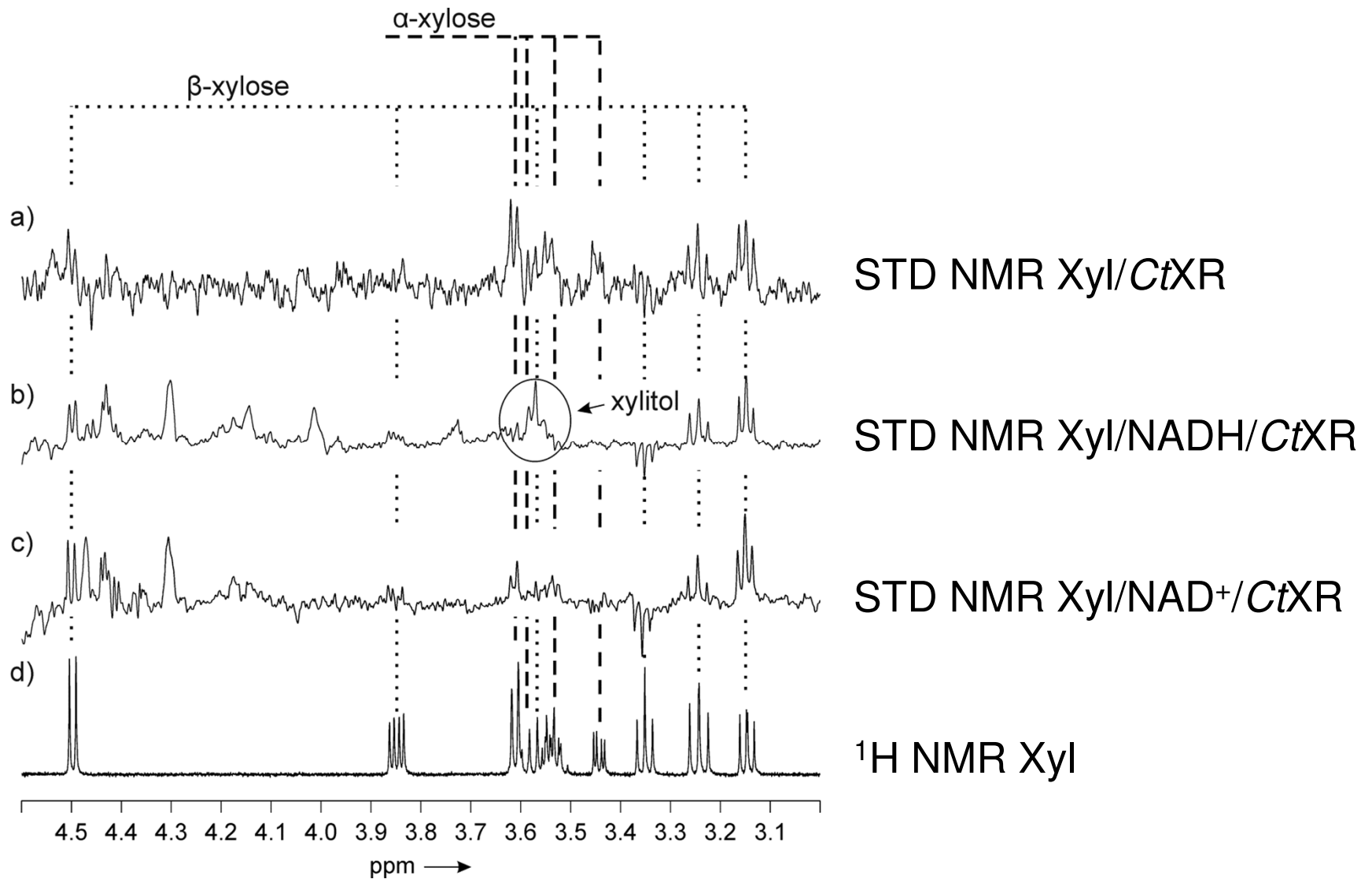
# STD NMR of Ternary Complexes



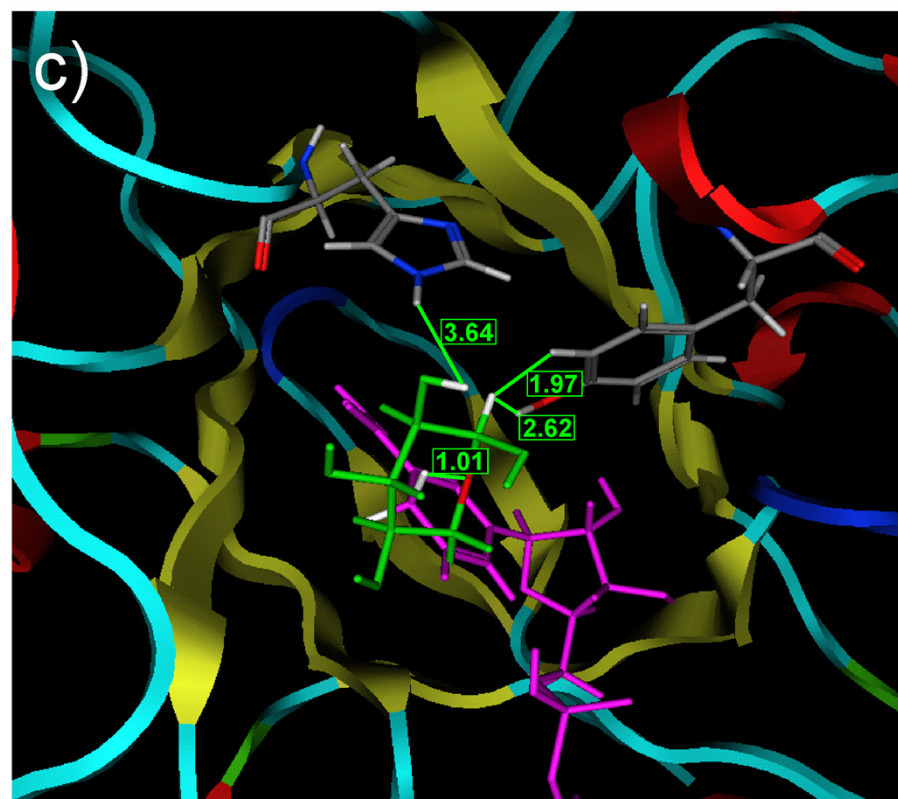
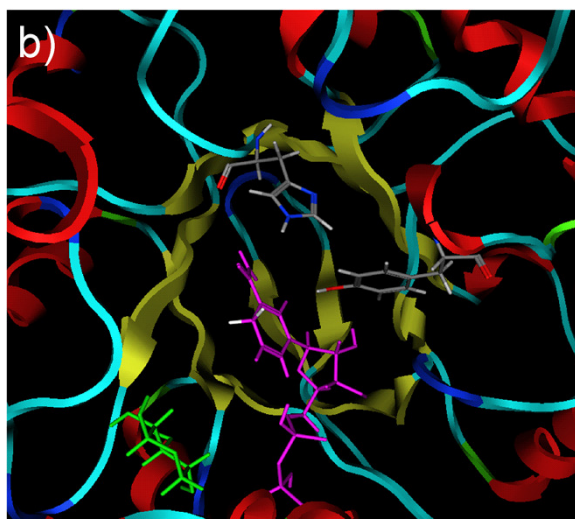
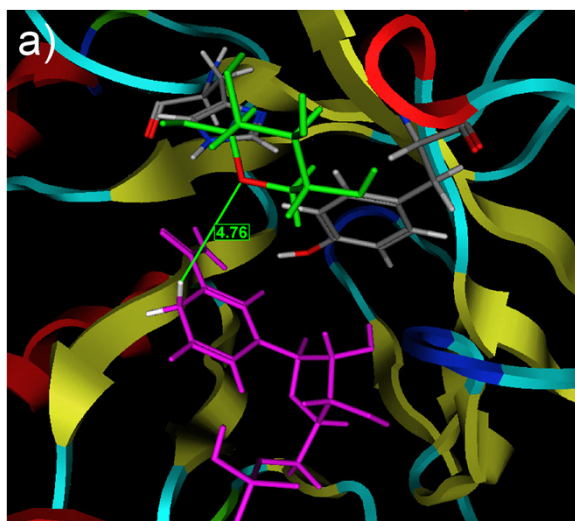
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# STD NMR of Xyl/Coenzym/*CtXR*-Complexes



# Molecular Docking in the Active Site



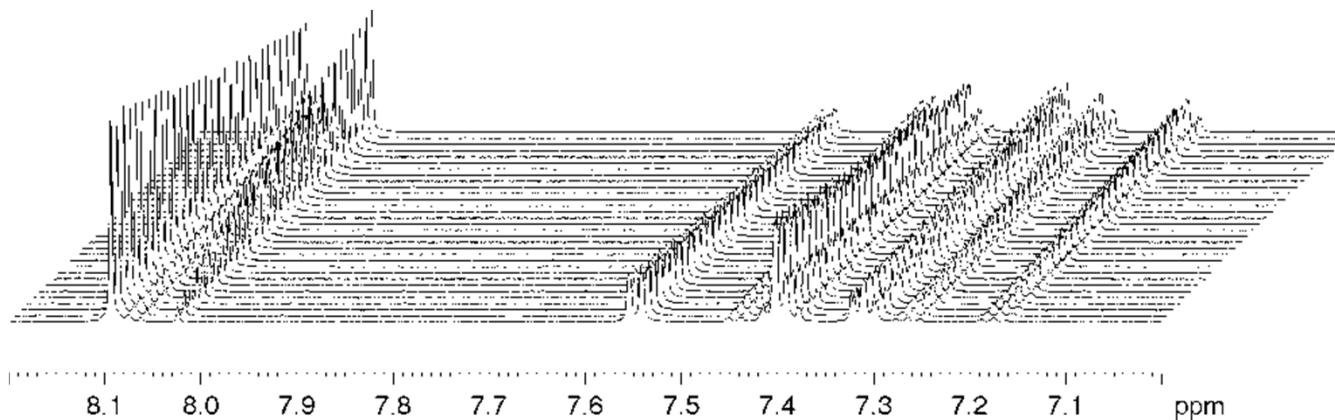
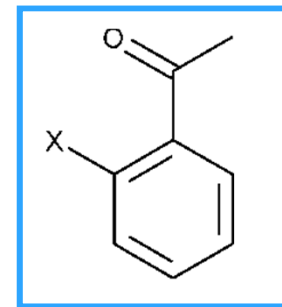
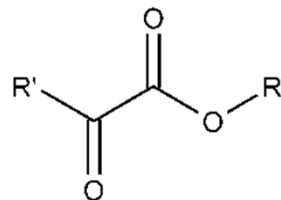
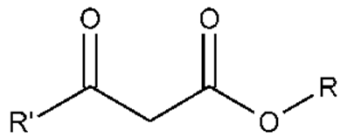
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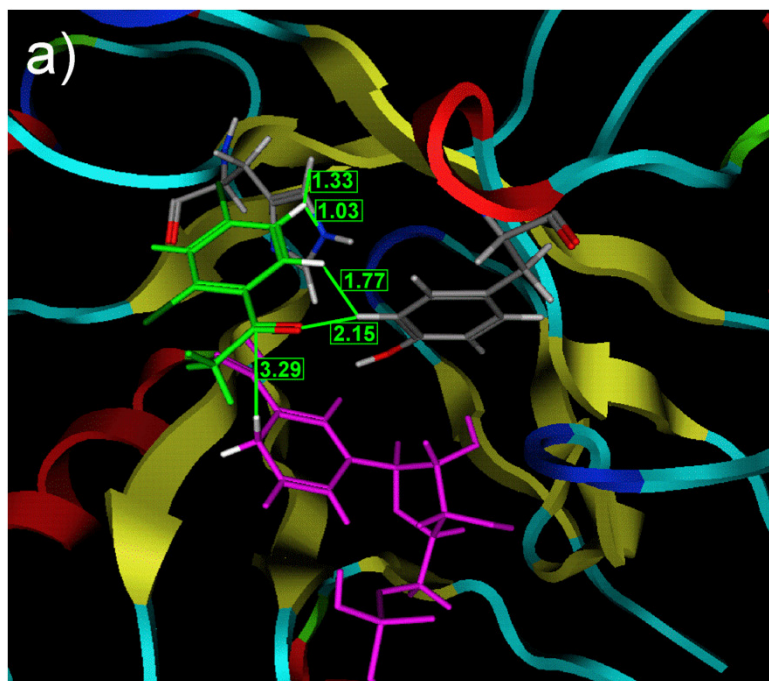
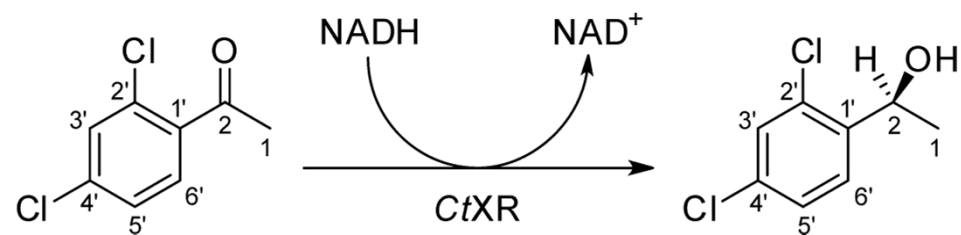
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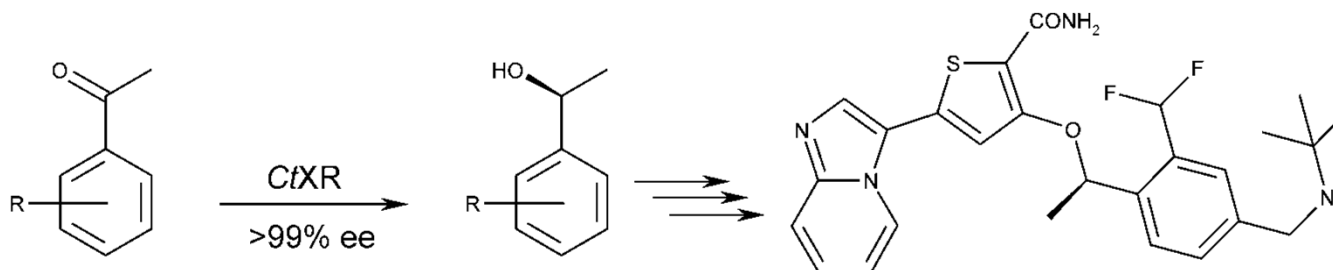


# Molekular Docking of an Acetophenone

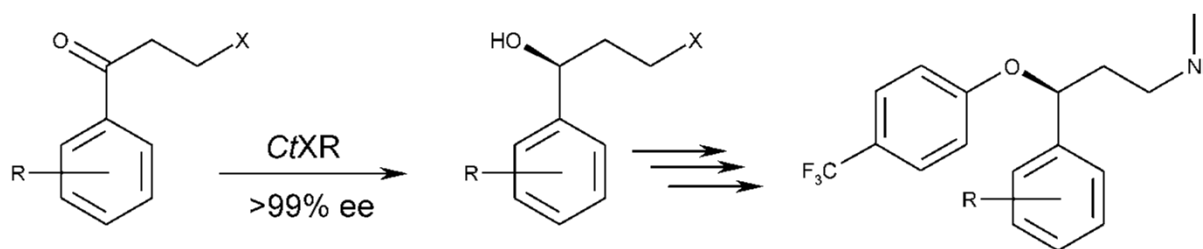


# Applications in Synthesis of Drugs

2-Chlor-acetophenone as substrate for PLK-1 inhibitor (cancer therapy)



Propiophenone as substrate for oxetines (antidepressant drug)



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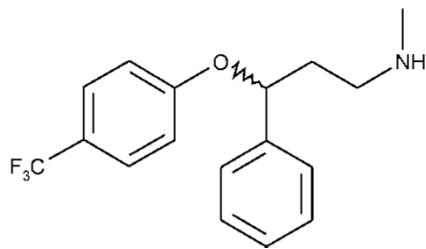
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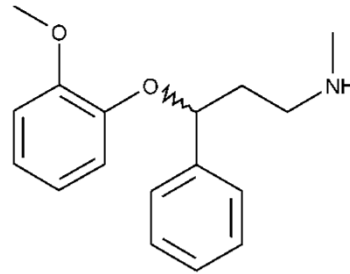
# Oxetines (Antidepressant Drugs)

Fluoxetine

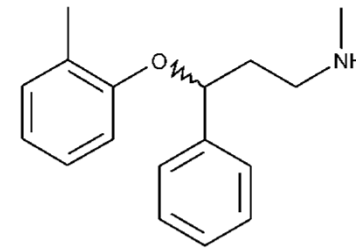


„Prozac“

Nisoxetine

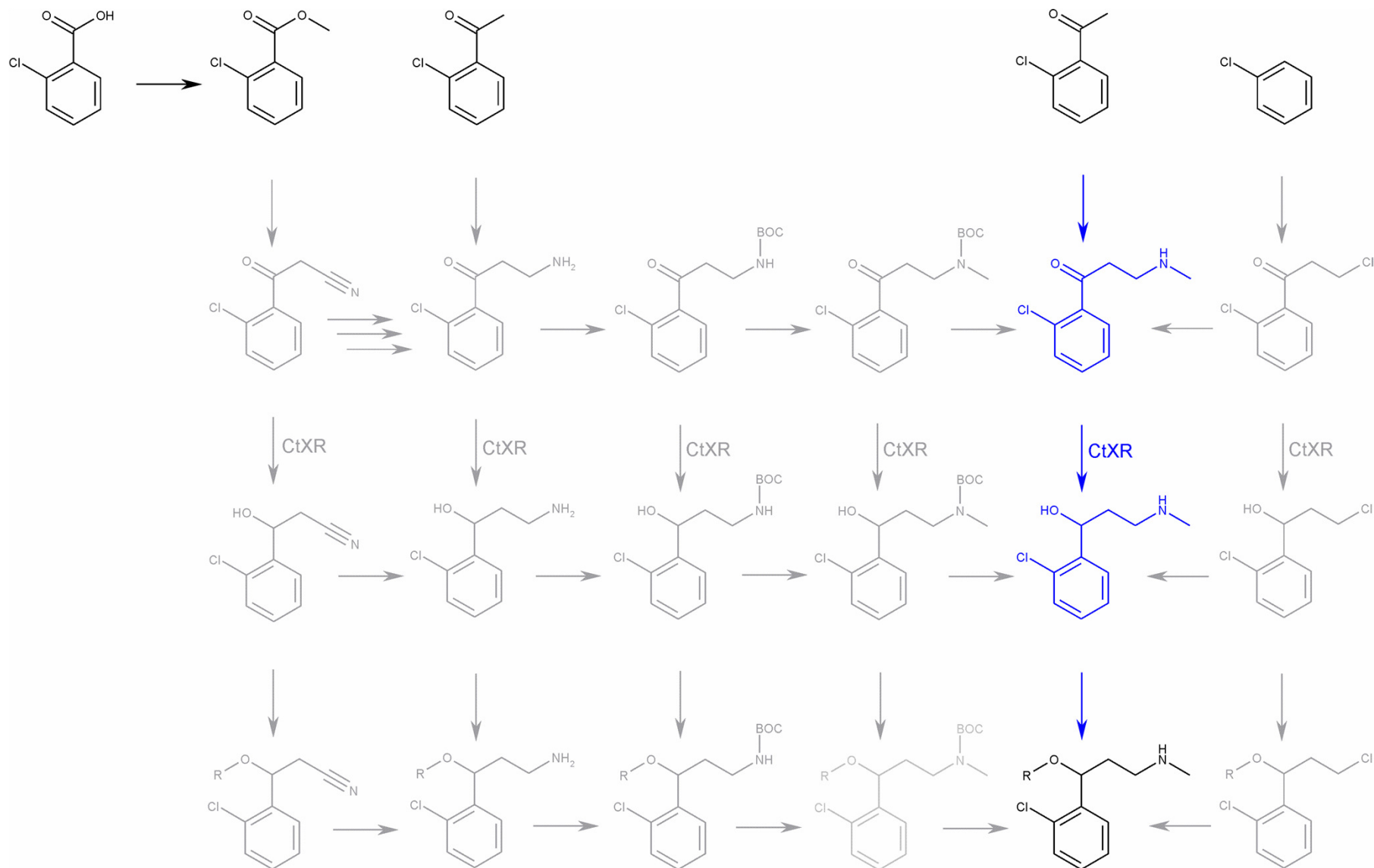


Tomoxetine

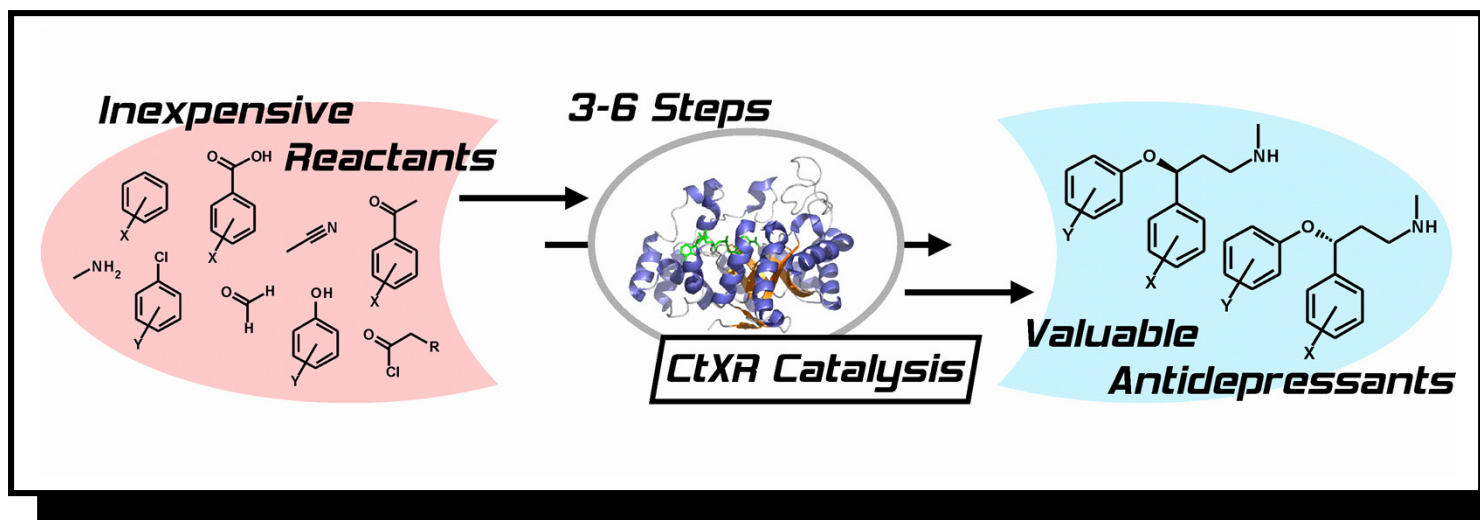


- Worldwide use as antidepressant drug
  - Sales volume in the billion-dollar region
  - Application as racemic mixtures
  - Side effects lead to intensive critique
- Enantiomerically pure synthesis using *CtXR*

# Enantiomeric pure synthesis using CtXR



## Patent application and marketing since 2010



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