

What's going on at the International Chemical Identifier for Reactions (RInChI)

Proposed developments to incorporate into the next release of Reaction InChI, including process information in a machine-readable format, and atom mapping

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Last year we asked: What do we need for reactions ...

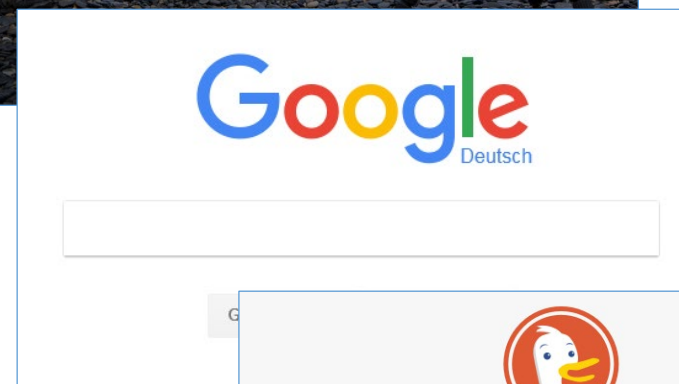
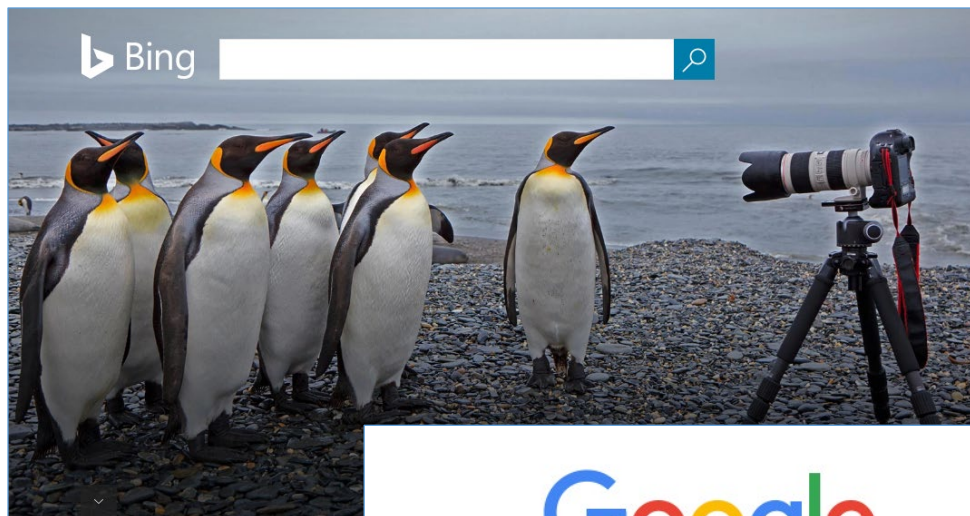
To run searches in the Web?

To provide easy ways to handle reactions in databases ?

To compare reactions between different sources?

IUPAC International Chemical Identifier
for Reactions

Reaction InChI
(RInChI)

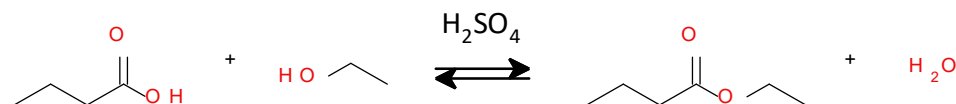


RInChI 1.0 released March 2017



- **RInChI**
 - The RInChI is calculated from the InChIs of each reactant, product and agent
 - RAuxInfo consists of the AuxInfo of each reaction component
 - Recalculation of RXN/RD files from RInChI and RAuxInfo
- **Long-RInChIKey**
 - Calculated from InChIKeys of each reactant, product and agent.
- **Short-RInChIKey**
 - Fixed length hash over all reagents, products and agents
- **Web-RInChIKey**
 - Fixed length hash developed from the reaction components but ignoring the specific role within the reaction.

RInChI 1.0



- **RInChI**=1.00.1S/C2H6O/c1-2-3/h3H,2H2,1H3!C4H8O2/c1-2-3-4(5)6/h2-3H2,1H3,(H,5,6)<>C6H12O2/c1-3-5-6(7)8-4-2/h3-5H2,1-2H3!H2O/h1H2<>H2O4S/c1-5(2,3)4/h(H2,1,2,3,4)/d=
- **Long-RInChIKey**=SA-EUHFF-LFQSCWFLJHTTHZ-UHFFFAOYSA-N-FERIUCNNQQJTOY-UHFFFAOYSA-N--OBNCNKNCVKJNDBV-UHFFFAOYSA-N-XLYOFNOQVPJJNP-UHFFFAOYSA-N--QAOWNCQODCNURD-UHFFFAOYSA-N
- **Short-RInChIKey**=SA-FUHFF-JEVIJXCZCL-UFTQDZUCXS-QAOWNCQODC-NUHFF-NUHFF-NUHFF-ZZZ
- **Web-RInChIKey**=UTLWRJSGXVLT KYLGZ-NUHFFFADPSCTJSA

What's new: ChemAxon's implementation

- Demo

What's next

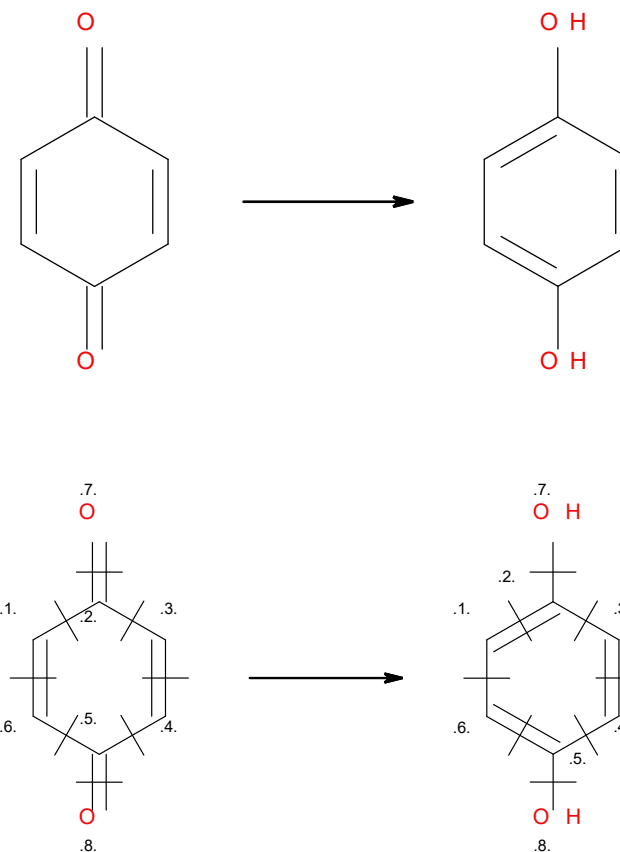
- Plans for the RInChI release 2.0
 - Technical issues
 - Additional import formats
 - Reaction representation
 - Make RInChI useable for AI

Additional import/export formats

- Reactions built out of the InChIs of each of the reaction components
- Reaction SMILES
- UDM format (Pistoia Alliance, new version released 29-Nov-2018)

Reaction representation

- Atom mapping
 - Atom mapping is used to mark the reaction centers
 - Atom mapping is handled as aux(iliary) layer
 - Proposed name: MapAuxInfo, version 1.00.1
 - MapAuxInfo=1.00.1/
 - We are not implementing a mapping algorithm into RInChI but use the information provided by the RXN file as delivered (by the author)
 - Notes:
 - RXN files only allow atom mapping between starting materials and products but not between starting materials/products and any agents as agents are not part of the RXN file definition

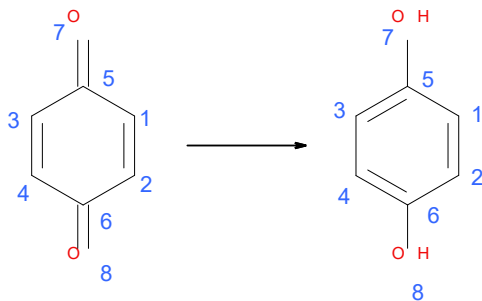


Reaction representation

- Atom mapping
 - Only identify those atoms that are kept during the reactions
 - Rules for the atom identification
 - Each atom is identified by
 - its relationship to the layer 2 or 3 (as educt/product layers in RInChI)
 - This relationship is defined by the position in front of or behind the separator “<>” and does not need to be written explicitly.
 - Its membership to its molecule (1 as first in the layer, 2 as second,)
 - Its RInChI number
 - Use a dash “-” as separator between each number
 - In case of equivalent mappings list the InChI numbers of all equivalent positions ordered ascending, separated by a comma “,” and terminated by brackets “(“ , “)” on the 3rd layer.
 - Use “<>” to indicate the mapping (analog the separator between layer 2 and 3)
 - Separate each string by a semicolon
 - Order the strings alphabetically ascending

Reaction representation

- Atom mapping
 - Quinone example



The numbers in blue represent the InChI numbering

Quinone reduction

```
RInChI=1.00.1S/C6H4O2/c7-5-1-2-6(8)4-3-5/h1-4H<>C6H6O2/c7-5-1-2-6(8)4-3-5/h1-4,7-8H/d+
```

Mapping for each atom

2-1-1 <> 3-1-1	2-1-5 <> 3-1-5
2-1-2 <> 3-1-2	2-1-6 <> 3-1-6
2-1-3 <> 3-1-3	2-1-7 <> 3-1-7
2-1-4 <> 3-1-4	

Skip the trailing 2 and 3 as they are defined by the reaction separator "<>"

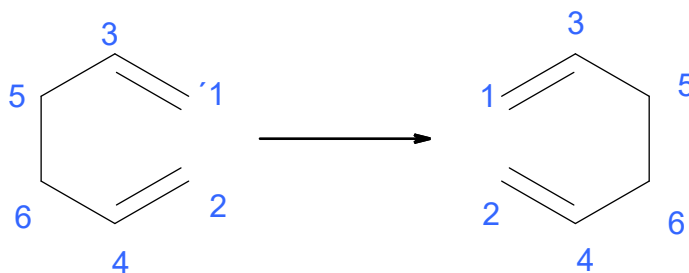
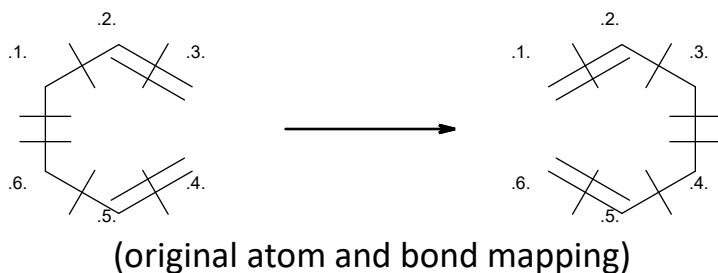
1-1 <> 1-1	1-5 <> 1-5
1-2 <> 1-2	1-6 <> 1-6
1-3 <> 1-3	1-7 <> 1-7
1-4 <> 1-4	

```
MapAuxInfo=1.00.1/1-1<>1-1;1-2<>1-2;1-3<>1-3;1-4<>1-4;1-5<>1-5;1-6<>1-6;1-7<>1-7
```

Reaction representation

- Atom mapping

- Cope rearrangement



Based on InChI atom numbering

Cope rearrangement

```
RInChI=1.00.1S/C6H10/c1-3-5-6-4-2/h3-4H,1-2,5-6H2<>C6H10/c1-3-5-6-4-2/h3-4H,1-2,5-6H2/d+
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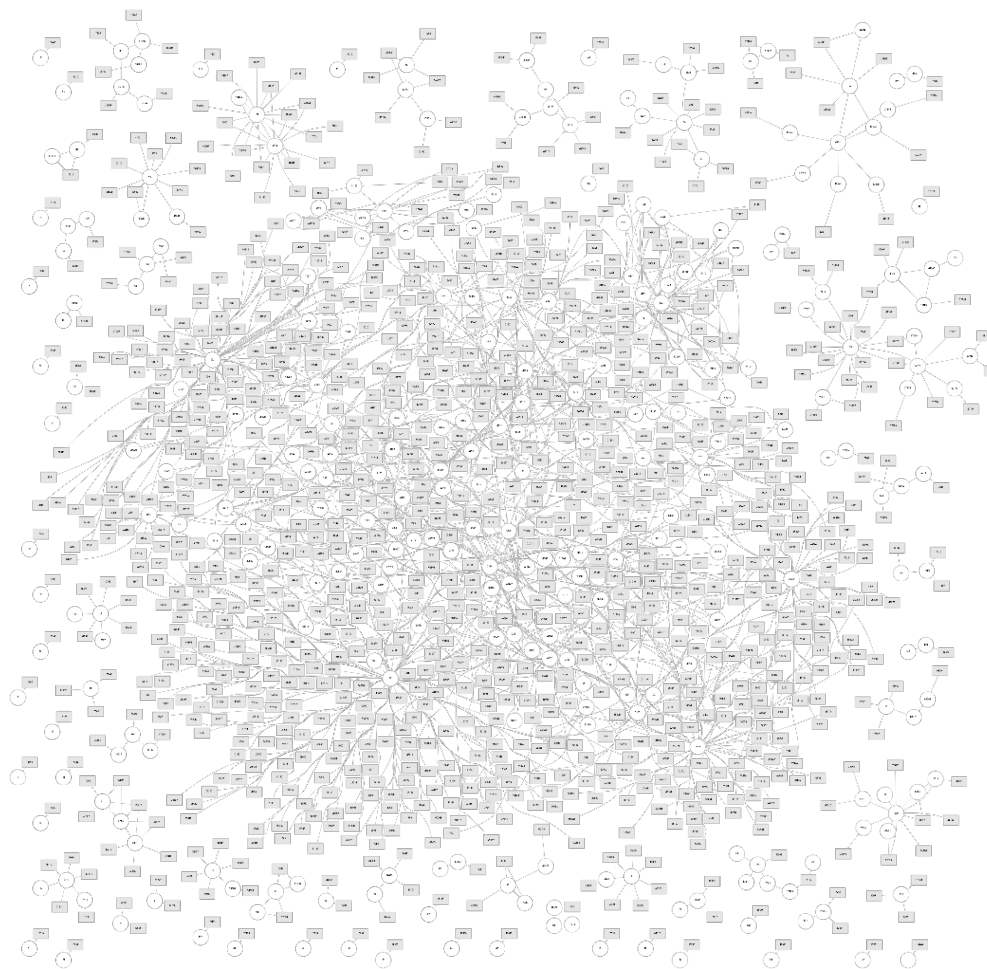
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RInChI=1.00.1S/<><>C6H10/c1-3-5-6-4-2/h3-4H,1-2,5-6H2
```

Mapping for each atom

```
1-1 <> 1-5    1-4 <> 1-4
1-2 <> 1-6    1-5 <> 1-1
1-3 <> 1-3    1-6 <> 1-2
```

```
MapAuxInfo=1.00.1/1-1<>1-5;1-2<>1-6;1-3<>1-3;1-4 <>1-4;1-5<>1-1;1-6<>1-2
```

Make RInChI useable for AI



Can ML/AI be Applied to Predict Reactions?

- There has been a long history of software solutions aimed at “in-silico” route-finding.
- These have until now been regarded as predicting routes which are not as good as the practicing chemist would wish.
 - Though the “quality” has been steadily increasing.
- They typically embed tens of thousands of “chemistry rules”, and apply these in a retrosynthetic search.

The image displays three overlapping screenshots of scientific articles related to computer-assisted retrosynthesis. The top-left screenshot shows an ACS Central Science article titled "Computer-Assisted Retrosynthesis" by Connor W. Coley, Luke Rogers, and William H. Green. The top-right screenshot shows a CellPress article titled "Efficient Syntheses of Diverse, Medicinally Relevant Targets Planned by Computer and Executed in the Laboratory" by Tomasz Klucznik, Barbara Mikulak-Klucznik, Michael P. McCormack, and Milan Mrksich. The bottom screenshot shows a NIH Public Access Author Manuscript titled "No electron left behind: a rule-based expert system to predict chemical reactions and reaction mechanisms" by Jonathan H. Chen and Pierre Baldi. The manuscript includes an abstract and an introduction section.

Can ML/AI be Applied to Predict Reactions?

- With the (over-hyped?) success of AI in many difficult problems, there is now the expectation that such methods will succeed where traditional methods (explicit chemistry rules) have not.
- Some initial results have been reported, including methods which equal or surpass chemists routes (in AB tests).
- In addition, the ML/AI community expects this to work!

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Organic Process Research & Development

Route Design in the 21st Century: The ICSYNTH Software Tool as an Idea Generator for Synthesis Prediction

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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: The new computer-aided synthesis design tool ICSYNTH has been evaluated by comparing its performance in predicting new ideas for route design to that of historical brainstorm results on a series of commercial pharmaceutical targets, as well as literature data. Examples of its output as an idea generator are described, and the conclusion is that it adds appreciable value to the performance of the professional drug research and development chemist team.

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Learning to Plan Chemical Syntheses

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Abstract

From medicines to materials, small organic molecules are indispensable for human well-being. To plan their syntheses, chemists employ a problem solving technique called retrosynthesis. In retrosynthesis, target molecules are recursively transformed into increasingly simpler precursor compounds until a set of readily available starting materials is obtained. Computer-aided retrosynthesis would be a highly valuable tool, however, past approaches were slow and provided results of unsatisfactory quality. Here, we employ Monte Carlo Tree Search (MCTS) to efficiently discover retrosynthetic routes. MCTS was combined with an expansion policy network that guides the search, and an "in-scope" filter network to pre-select the most promising retrosynthetic steps. These deep neural networks were trained on 12 million reactions, which represents essentially all reactions ever published in organic chemistry. Our system solves almost twice as many molecules and is 30 times faster in comparison to the traditional search method based on extracted rules and hand-coded heuristics. Finally after a 60 year history of computer-aided synthesis planning, chemists can no longer distinguish between routes generated by a computer system and real routes taken from the scientific literature. We anticipate that our method will accelerate drug and materials discovery by assisting chemists to plan better syntheses faster, and by enabling fully automated robot synthesis.

Newly planned additional information

- **Mark failing reactions**
 - Currently discussed: direction layer /d! or an additional identifier
- **Additional AUXInfo layers for statistical tools provided by vendors/publishers**
 - **Class codes by Infochem**
 - AuxClassCode=1.0/narrow code; medium code, broad code
 - **Under discussion: Transform by Reaxys**
 - **These AuxInfos can only be used if the vendor's product is licensed**

Newly planned additional information Processing Information in “ProcAuxInfo”

- A proposal has been made for a “ProcAuxInfo” layer in a paper by authors from Cambridge University
 - Available online (open access) at <https://jcheminf.springeropen.com/articles/10.1186/s13321-017-0210-6>
- This is a rich format supporting (amongst other things):
 - Composition
 - Processing Conditions
 - Yields over time
- Together with sections of the MInChI format this is the base for the newly planned “ProcAuxInfo”



*ProcAuxInfo = \$\$Version | Starting Material |
Stoichiometry of group1 |
Stoichiometry of group2 | Temperature | Pressure |
Time : Conversion | Yield | Amount of group1 fed |
Amount of group2 fed | Amount of group3 fed |
Volume of reactor*

Deliverables, questions and remarks?

- Download (under open-source agreement)
 - <http://www.inchi-trust.org/downloads/>
- Answers may be found in
 - International chemical identifier for reactions (RInChI)
G. Grethe, G. Blanke, H. Kraut and J. M. Goodman *J. Cheminformatics* 2018, **10**, 22. DOI: 10.1186/s13321-018-0277-8
- Else send your questions and remarks to
 - RInChI@StructurePendium.com

Thanks

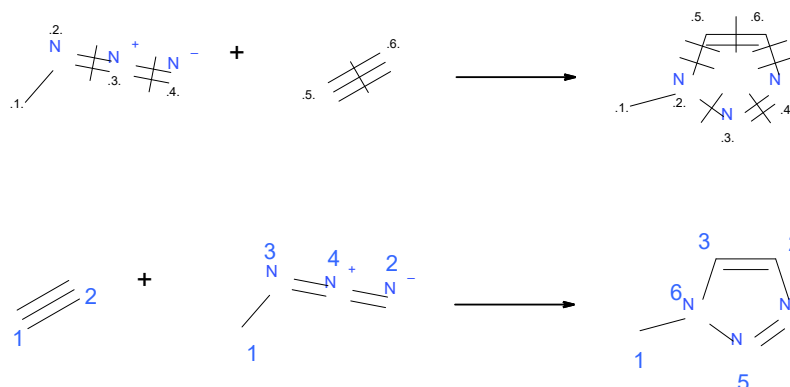
- **InChI Trust, Cambridge**
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Backups

Reaction representation

- Atom mapping

- Example Klick reaction



Klick reaction

```
RInChI=1.00.1S/C2H2/c1-2/h1-2H!CH3N3/c1-3-4-2/h1H3<>C3H5N3/c1-6-3-2-4-5-6/h2-3H,1H3/d+
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Mapping for each atom

- Note that both atoms of Acetylene are equivalent for the mapping process and must be represented by using the related bracket notation

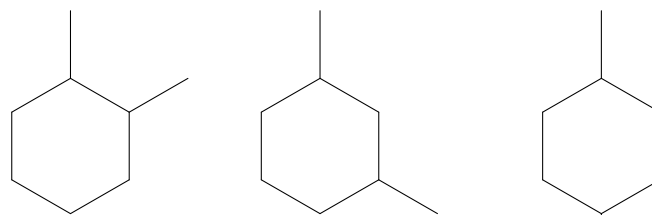
1-1	<>	1-(3, 2)	2-1	<>	1-1
1-2	<>	1-(2, 3)	2-2	<>	1-4
			2-3	<>	1-6
			2-4	<>	1-5

```
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Reaction representation

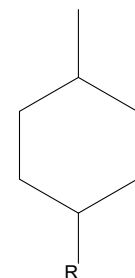
- Discussed potential enhancements based on discussed InChI improvements

- Positional isomers



- InChI=1S/C8H10/c1-7-3-5-8(2)6-4-7/h3-6H,1-2H3/pi-1,7(3,5)

- Markush structures (Variable structures)



R = H, Me, Ph, SPh, OSiMe₃

- InChI=1S/C6H6R/c7-6-4-2-1-3-5-6/h1-5,7H/vs-f3,7H