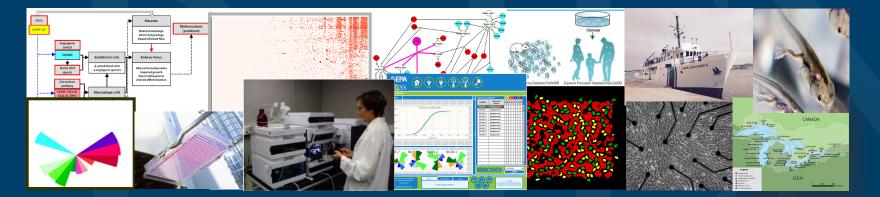
## Application of New Approach Methods for Hazard Characterization of Chemicals



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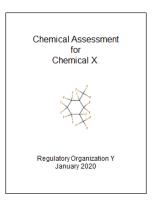


## **Toxicology and Risk Assessment Face Many Challenges**

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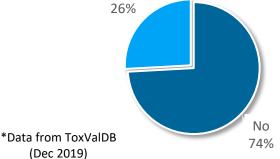
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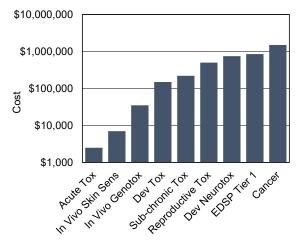


Center for Computational Toxicology & Exposure Amount of Data

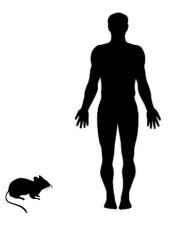
% of Non-Confidential, Active TSCA Inventory with Repeat Dose Toxicity Studies Yes 26%



Economics



Reliability/Relevance/Ethics



Broad Range of Decision Contexts

Prioritization Exposure Emergency Assessments Response Risk Screening Level Assessments Assessments Provisional Toxicity Assessments Assessments Endangered Species Protection



## Multiple Initiatives Have Attempted to Address One or More of the Challenges

Chemicals Management Plan (CMP) Science Committee Objectives Paper Meeting #5: 16–17 November 2016

- National Toxicology Program Integrating New Approach Methodologies within the CMP: Identifying Priorities for Risk Assessment, Existing Substances Risk Assessment Program Conten 1.0 Meeting Objective 2.0 Towards a Roadmap for Integrating NAM into the Risk Assessment Program. 2.1 Conceptual Strategies for Incorporating NAM for Priority-Setting/Risk Assessme 2.2 Example of a Specific NAM-based Tool 3.0 Identification of Risk Assessment Prioritie A National Toxicology Program for the 21st Century 3.1 Historical and Current Process **MECHA** 3.2 Outcome 3.3 Lessons Learned 4.0 Priority-Setting Moving Forward New Approach Methodologi 4.1 Systematic Computational Approaches in Regulatory Science 4.2 NAM to n Holn Facilitate Dri 4.2.1 s of a scientific work 4.2.2 -20 April 2016 423 GINEERING · MEDICINE Tox21 Collaboration leference PEDOPT Improving the Human Hazard Characterization of Chemicals: A Tox21 Update R. Tice.<sup>1</sup> Christopher P. Austin.<sup>2</sup> Robert J. Kavlock.<sup>3</sup> and John R. Buche A Strategic Plan for Continued ING Leadership **ST CENTURY** IENCE IMPROVE **K-RELATED TOXICITY TESTING IN THE 21ST CENTURY** A VISION AND A STRATEGY ALUATIONS
- In silico modeling
- In vitro assays
- Analog approaches
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# But, "Moving the Needle" Has Been Difficult...

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## **Frequent Criticisms Against Broader Application**

- Limited coverage of important cellular and intracellular processes
- Relatively short duration exposures
- Endpoints with indirect connection to adverse responses in organs and tissues
- Limited metabolic capacity
- Reduced biological complexity
- "Black box" predictions
- Limited chemical domain of applicability
- Lack of familiarity and training
- Complex data interpretation
- Lengthy validation process



## **EPA Developed an Operational Blueprint to Focus** and Facilitate Progress

Characterization

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#### FORUM

#### The Next Generation Blueprint of Computational

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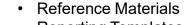
The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is faced with the challenge of efficiently and credibly evaluating chemical safety often with limited or no available toxicity data. The expanding number of chemicals found in commerce and the environment, coupled with time and resource requirements for traditional toxicity testing and exposure characterization

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- Chemical library
- Read across
- SAR/QSAR modeling
- Chemotypes
- TTC

- Communities of Practice
- Outreach & ToxCast Owners Training Manual
- Training courses/ videos
- HTTK assays (metabolism, bioavailability, binding)
- Partition coefficients
- HTTK R package
- Multi-route models
- Model verification (e.g., CvT)
- In vitro disposition





**Reporting Templates** 

Establishing

Confidence

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Computational

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Support Tools

Dashboard

RapidTox

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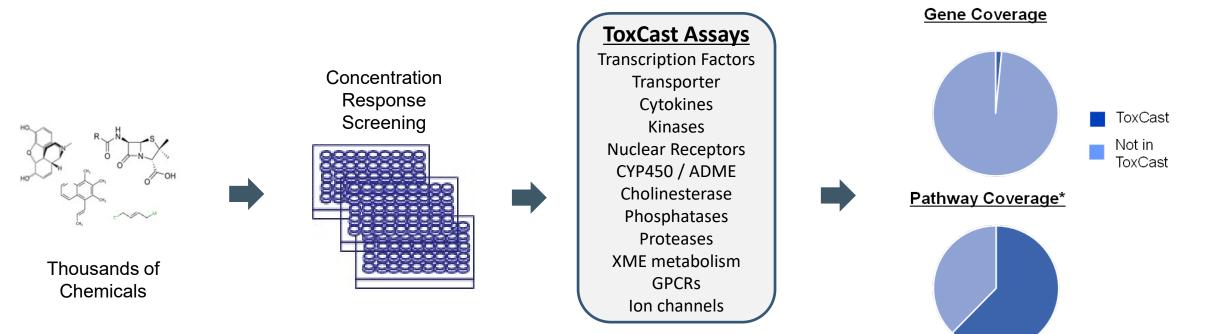
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- Tiered testing
- Organotypic models
- Addressing limitations (metabolism, chemical space)
- Statistical and Biologically-based Modeling
- AOPs ٠

& Variability

- SEEM Uncertainty
  - ToxBoot
  - HTTK
  - ENTACT
  - ToxRefDB
  - ExpoCast
  - NTA/SSA
  - CPDat/CPCat
  - Product emissivity



## Application of High-Throughput Assays to Test Thousands of Chemicals

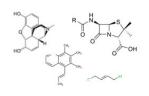


~700 Assay Endpoints

\*At least one gene from pathway represented



# **Incorporating High-Content Technologies to Increase Biological Coverage**

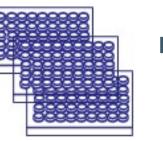


Thousands of Chemicals



Multiple Cell Types

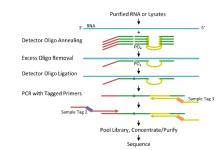
Concentration



Response

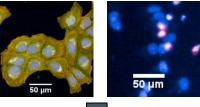
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Whole Genome **Transcriptomics** 

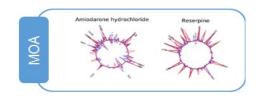


Multi-Parameter Cellular Phenotypic Profiling

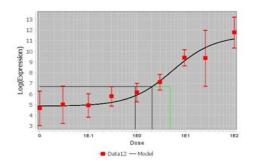
DNA RNA/ER AGP Mito H-33342 Casp3/7 PI



Mode-of-Action Identification



**Concentration Response** Modeling

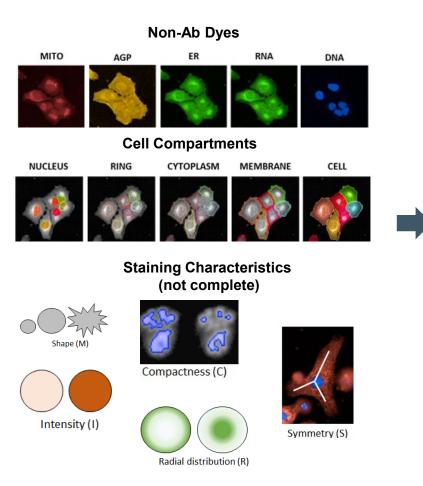




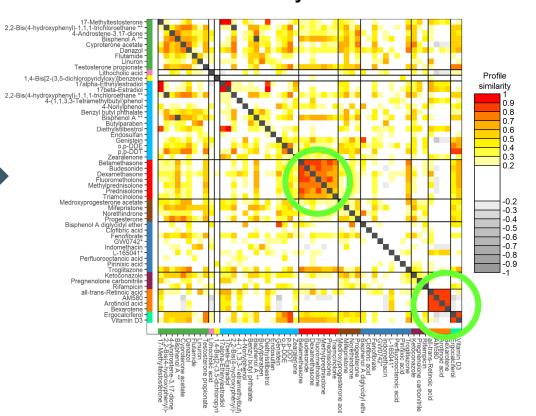
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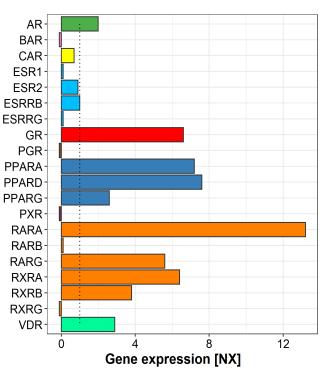
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#### **Profile Similarity in U-2 OS Cells**



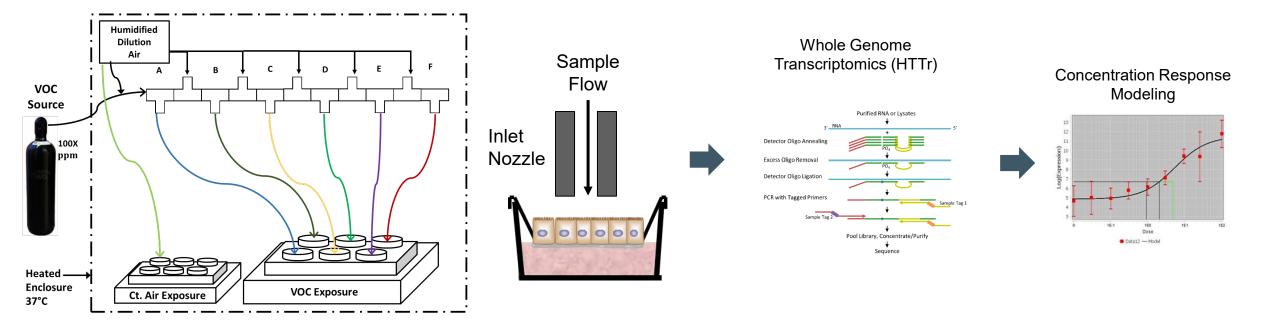
### Gene expression in U-2 OS



## ~1,300 total phenotypic endpoints



## *In Vitro* Transcriptomic Points of Departure for Volatile Chemicals are Similar to Occupational Exposure Limits



	ACGIH TLV-TWA (ppm)	BEAS-2B HTTr POD (ppm)	HBEC HTTr POD (ppm)
Acrolein	0.1	0.58	
Formaldehyde	0.3	NA	
1,3-Butadiene	10	13.98	
Acetaldehyde	25	NA	
1-Bromopropane	0.1 *	2.25	NA
Carbon Tetrachloride	10	9.56	NA
Trichloroethylene	50	44.8	28.1
Dichloromethane	100	142.13	266.7

A.Speen (CPHEA), M. Higuchi (CPHEA), and J. Harrill, Unpublished

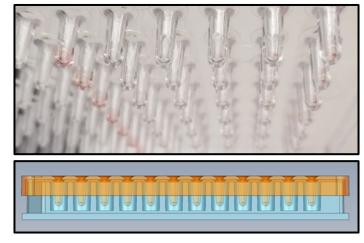
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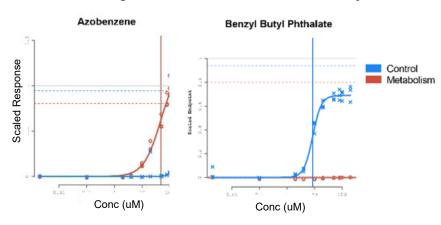


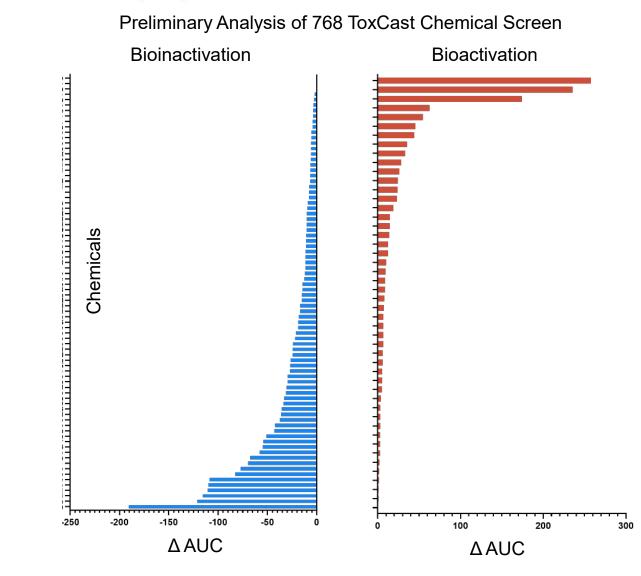
## Retrofitting *In Vitro* Assays with Xenobiotic Enables Identification of Bio(in)activated Chemicals

AIME Method: S9 Fraction Immobilization in Alginate Microspheres on 96- or 384-well peg



#### Application to ER Transactivation Assay (ERTA) Pilot Screening Results of Pinto et al., 2016 Library

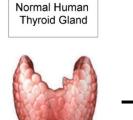


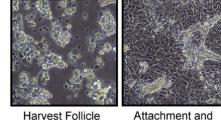


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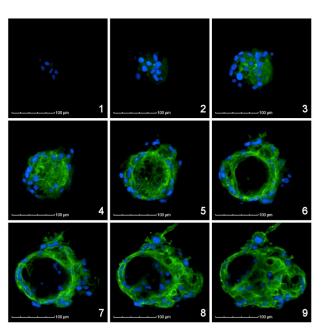


## **Complex Organotypic Culture Models Enable Evaluation of Tissue/Organ Effects**

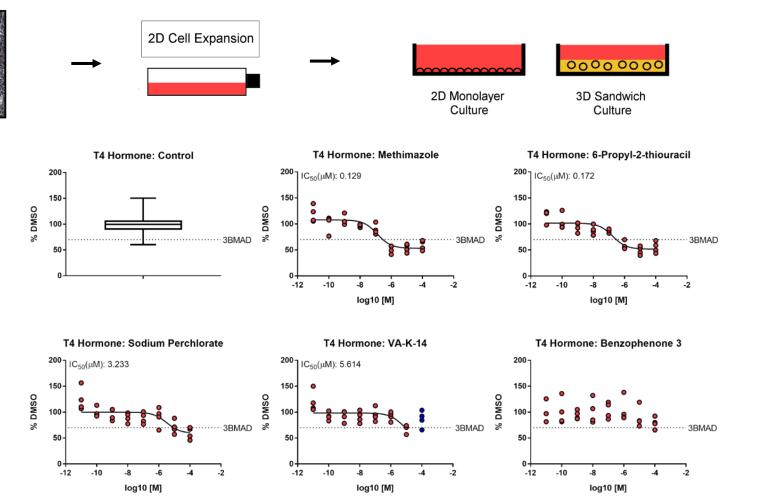




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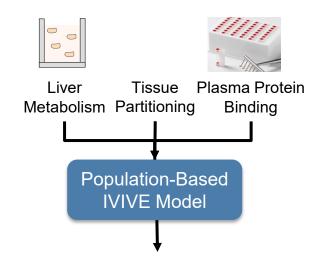


Blue, Hoechst 33342 /DNA Green, Phalloidin/Actin





# Expanding Toxicokinetic Data Availability Using High-Throughput *In Vitro* Data and Modeling



Oral Dose Required to Achieve Concentrations Equivalent to *In Vitro* Bioactivity

Rotroff *et al., Tox Sci.*, 2010 Wetmore *et al., Tox Sci.*, 2012 Wetmore *et al., Tox Sci.*, 2015 Wambaugh *et al., J Stat Softw.*, 2017 Wambaugh et al., *Tox Sci.*, 2018 Wambaugh et al., *Tox Sci.*, 2019

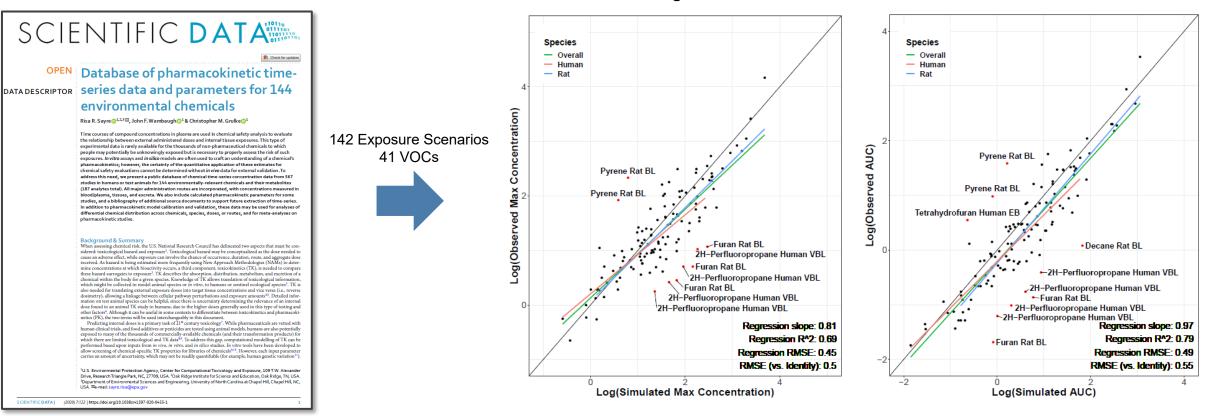
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Materials:	NEWS		
CRAN checks:	httk results		
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Reference manua	al: huk.pdf		
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## R package "httk"

- Open source, transparent, and peer-reviewed tools and data for high throughput toxicokinetics (httk)
- Allows *in vitro-in vivo* extrapolation (IVIVE) and physiologically-based toxicokinetics (PBTK)
- v1.10 features 942 total chemicals
- Now allows propagation of uncertainty



## **Extending High-Throughput Toxicokinetic Models** to Inhalation Route



Evaluating Performance of Generic Inhalation PBTK Models

Sayre et al., Scientific Data. 2020

Linakis et al., J Expo Sci Environ Epidemiol. 2020

pharmacokinetic studies Background & Summar



# Case Studies to Build Confidence and Help Translate to Regulatory Application

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Recently complete case studies

Ongoing and New Case Studies

- Use NAMs on selected pesticides with established MOAs
- Develop and apply NAMs for evaluating developmental neurotoxicity
- Integrating NAMs to screen candidates for prioritization under TSCA
- Application of *in vitro* bioactivity and HTTK for screening-level assessments in biosolids
- Prospective case study on application of *in vitro* assays for hazard characterization
- Using NAMs to inform chemical categorization
- Computational approaches for rapid exposure estimates
- Using *in vitro* bioactivity to inform quantitative ecological hazard assessments
- Evaluating predictivity of HTTK methods



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