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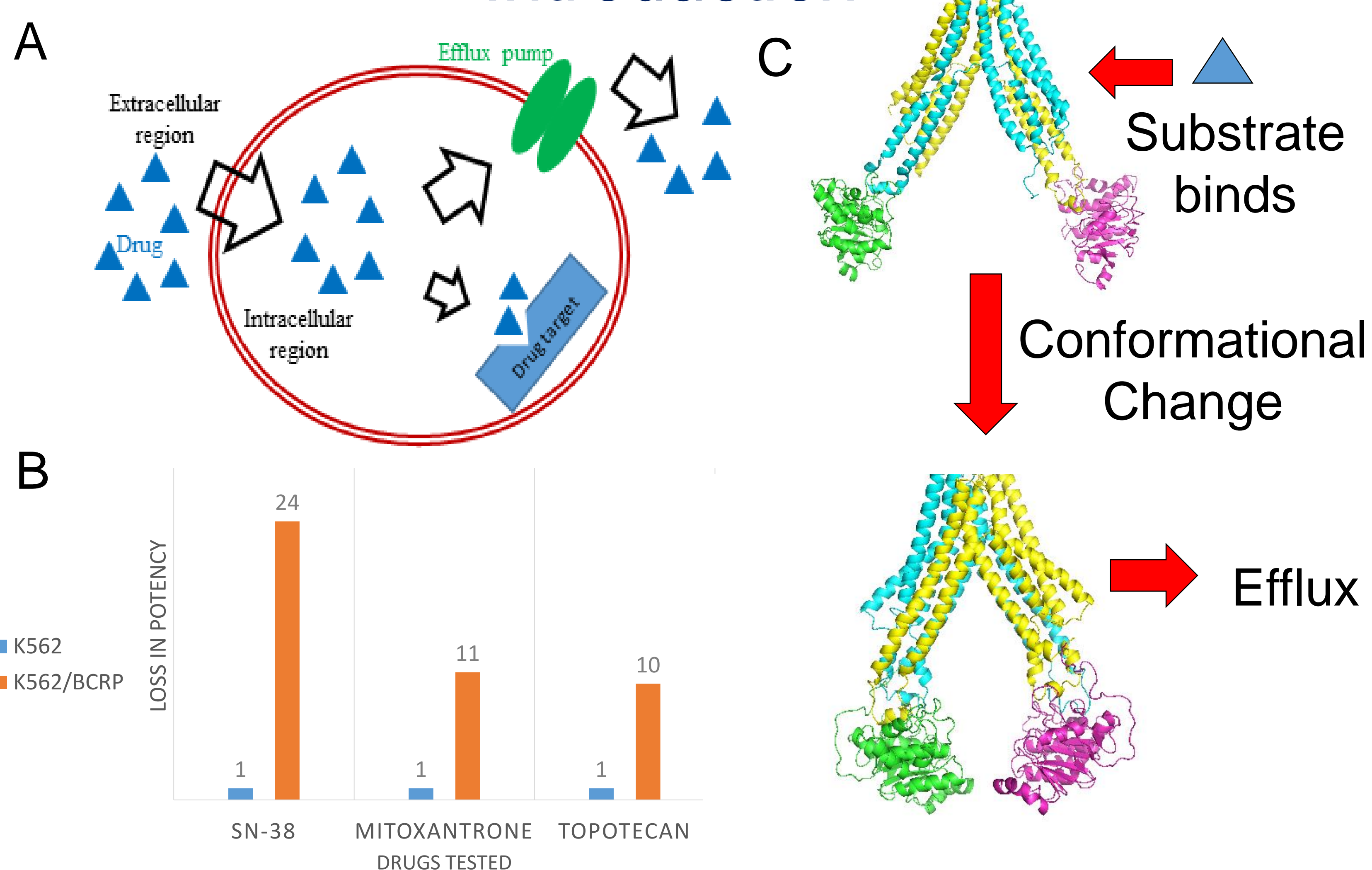
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Abstract

- Cancer estimates for USA in 2015:
 - 1.6 million new cases,
 - half a million deaths [1]
 - majority of deaths due to resistance to chemotherapy [2]
- ATP-binding cassette (ABC) efflux transporters (e.g., ABCG2)
 - overexpressed in chemotherapy-resistant cancer cells
 - Anticancer drugs are prone to efflux
- What we need:
 - identify substrate and non-substrate chemotypes
 - gain a structural understanding of the efflux mechanism

Aim: Understand ABCG2 structure and function

Introduction

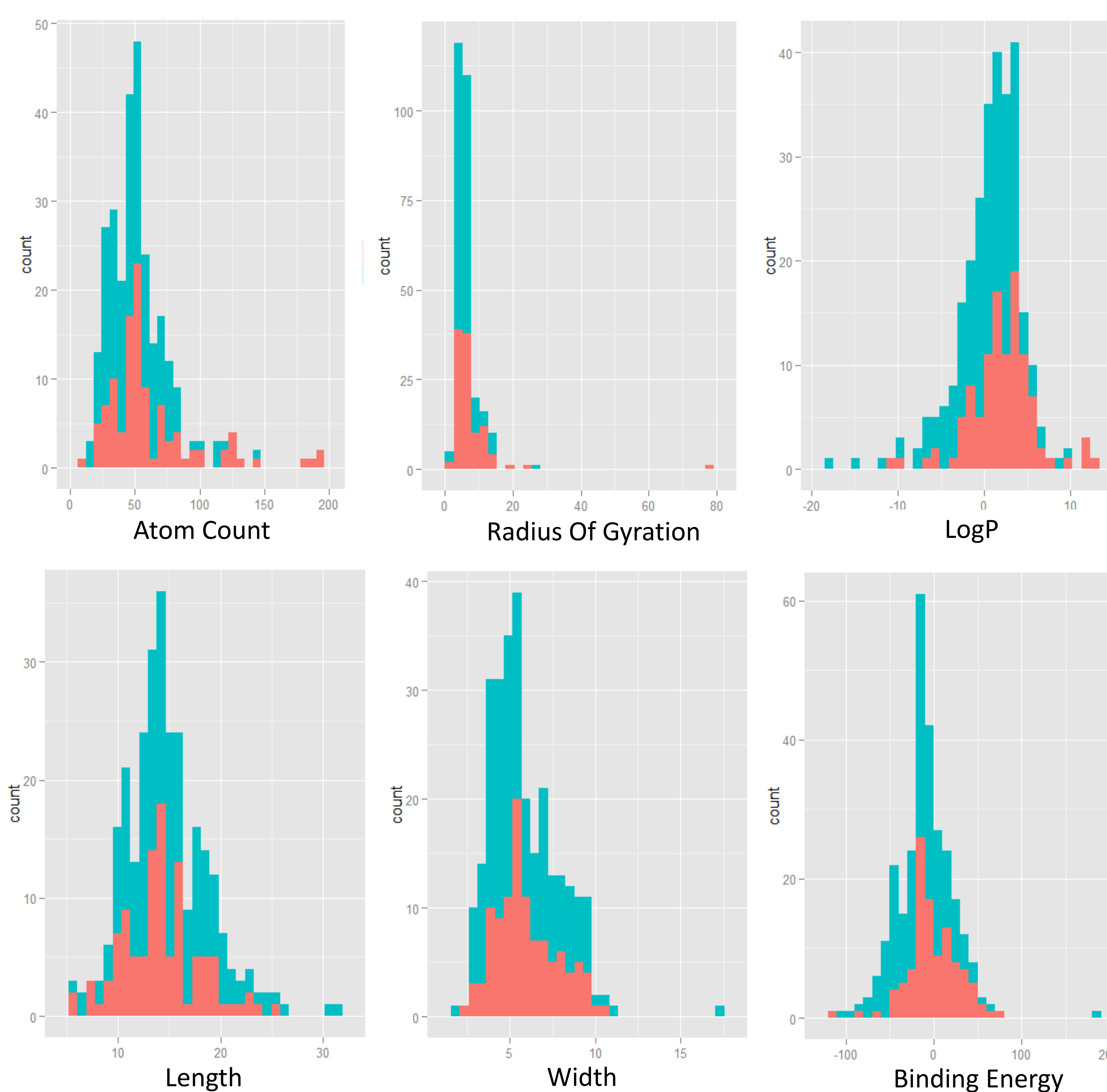


Descriptors Used

Our Model
LogP (I)
Length (II)
Width (III)
Binding Energy (IV)
Atom Count (V)
Radius of Gyration (VI)
[3]
3D Morse signal 17/ weighed by mass
3D Morse signal 25/ weighed by mass
Gateway R autocorrelation of lag2 weighed by mass
Sphericity
Mean information on atomic composition

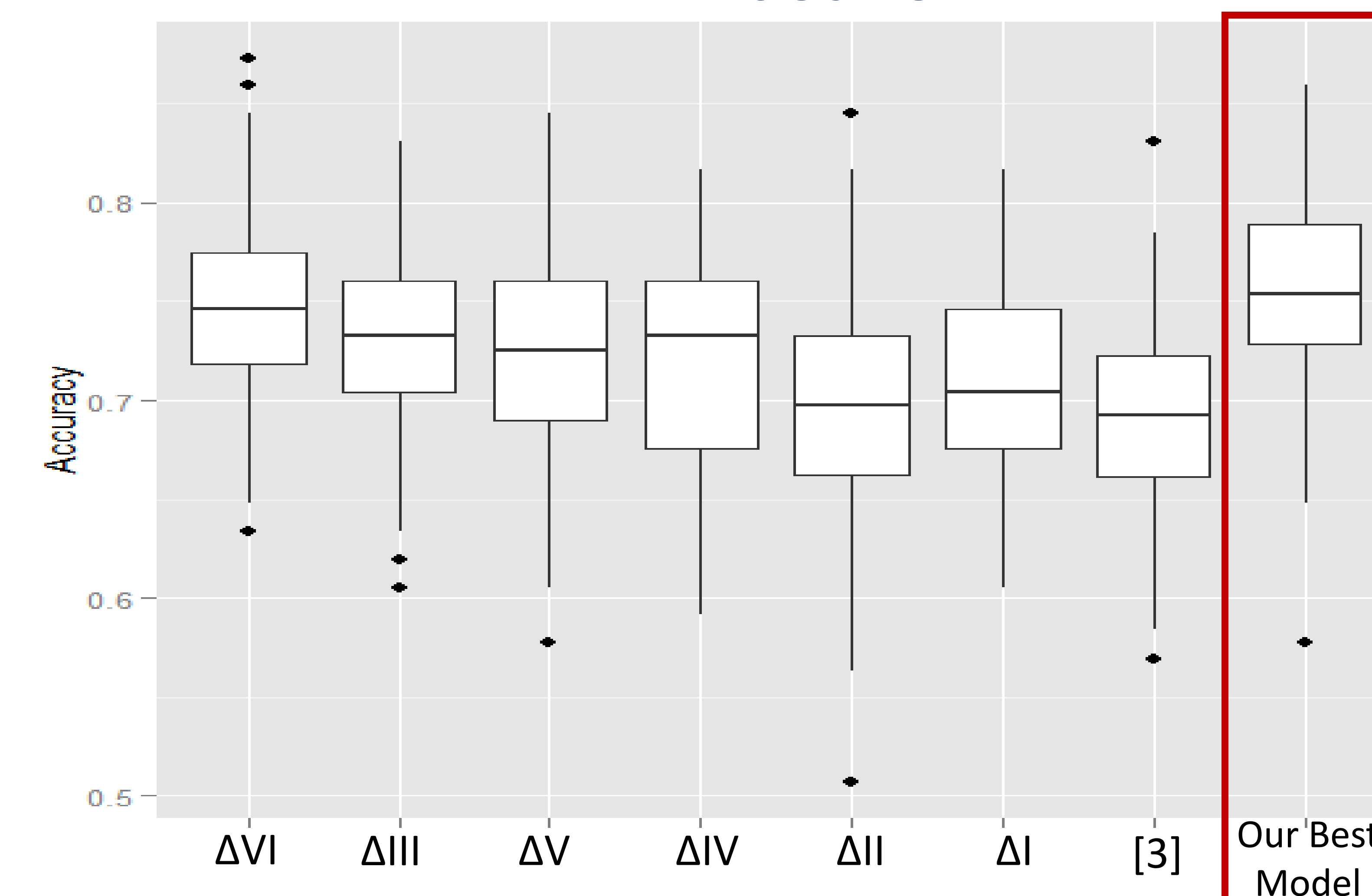
Lucid descriptors are capable of producing predictive models.

● Non Substrate ● Substrate



Descriptors encompass physico-chemical properties as well as efflux mechanism information.

Results



Our models are significantly better ($p < 0.01$)

	Accuracy	fS	fNS
[3]	68.9 ± 4.9%	71.2 ± 7.1%	65.9 ± 14.8%
This work	75.6 ± 4.7%	76.2 ± 6.5%	72.5 ± 11.1%
Atom count	66.4 ± 5.2%	68.9 ± 7.1%	62.8 ± 17.1%
Binding energy	68.5 ± 5.4%	67.9 ± 5.8%	73.4 ± 13.9%
Radius Of Gyration	64.8 ± 4.7%	65.9 ± 5.9%	63.2 ± 19.3%
Length	65.3 ± 6.3%	67.7 ± 7.8%	50.2 ± 26.4%
Width	65.2 ± 5.4%	66.3 ± 6.5%	59.8 ± 23.1%
LogP	65.8 ± 6.1%	67.6 ± 7.2%	58.9 ± 26.3%

fS: fraction of substrates predicted correctly; fNS: fraction of non-substrates predicted correctly; Accuracy: fraction of dataset correctly predicted; Values shown in table represent Mean ± Standard Deviation of external validation set from 100 runs of SVM.

Discussion

- SVM model capable of discriminating between substrates and nonsubstrates with a median accuracy of 76.05% and an Interquartile range of 7.04%.
- Accuracy highly dependent on composition of training, test and external validation sets.
- Insights into efflux mechanism – role of Arg482 in substrate recognition suggested by significant difference in binding energy between substrates and non substrates.

Implications

- Discriminant models are noisy – understanding of the structural mechanism of efflux might lead to better models.
- More experimental data needed – might make for a better predictive model.

Future directions

- Glean structural information on ABCG2-mediated efflux to improve model.

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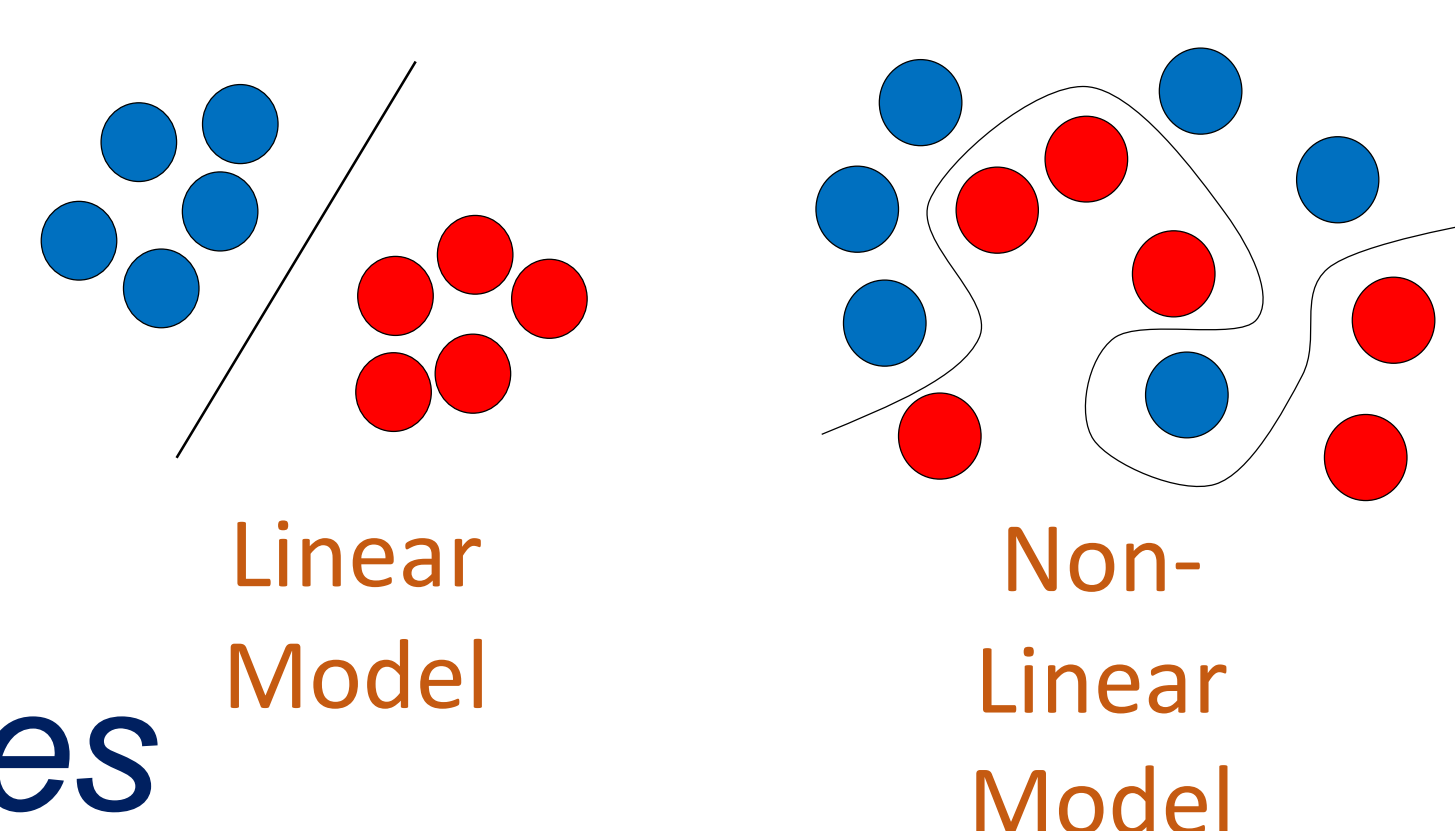
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Method

Discrimination Analysis

$$\text{Target property} = ax + by + cz + k$$

Where:
a, b & c are correlation coefficients
x, y & z are independent properties



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Target property [value: -1 or 1]

Non-Linear SVM method used for this study.