Webtools for Structure Elucidation and Structure Verification

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Case #1: From the ¹³C-NMR spectrum to the structure using "Spectral Similarity Search" Case #2: Structure proposal and ¹³C-NMR data are known \rightarrow perform verification

General rules:

- Use all pieces of <u>secure</u> information you have
- It is better to combine 2 (or more) "soft" constraints than using 1 "hard" limit

Example: You know the molecular weight of your unknown is 258 amu, halogens are absent.

Bad selection: Better selection: Only molecular weight 257.5 – 258.5 Molecular weight e.g. 250 – 270 and F,Cl,Br,I absent (Maybe deuterated / anion/ cation / labeled compound is in the database)

Case #1: From the ¹³C-NMR spectrum to the structure using "Spectral Similarity Search" ("Dereplication")

- Input: <u>https://c13nmr.at/similar/eval.php</u>
- **Result:** Link via email no access data necessary
- Input: Peaklist 1 value per line Shift [Multiplicity] [Deviation]
 - Shift:-399 to 399ppmMultiplicity:S D T Q O E P none $(C,CH,CH_2,CH_3,C \text{ or } CH_2,CH \text{ or } CH_3,CH \text{ or } CH_2 \text{ or } CH_3)$ Deviation:1 to 5 ppm / Default = 3ppm
 - Make use of constraints:Range for the molecular weightRange for number of signals in referencePresence/Absence of elements

615 million of predicted spectra will be searched – constraints are necessary to reduce unwanted answers ("garbage")

Worst case scenario:

No structure proposal found / Too many structure proposals found \rightarrow Constraints will be modified creating up to 14 runs = ca. 8,500,000,000 (!!) comparisons

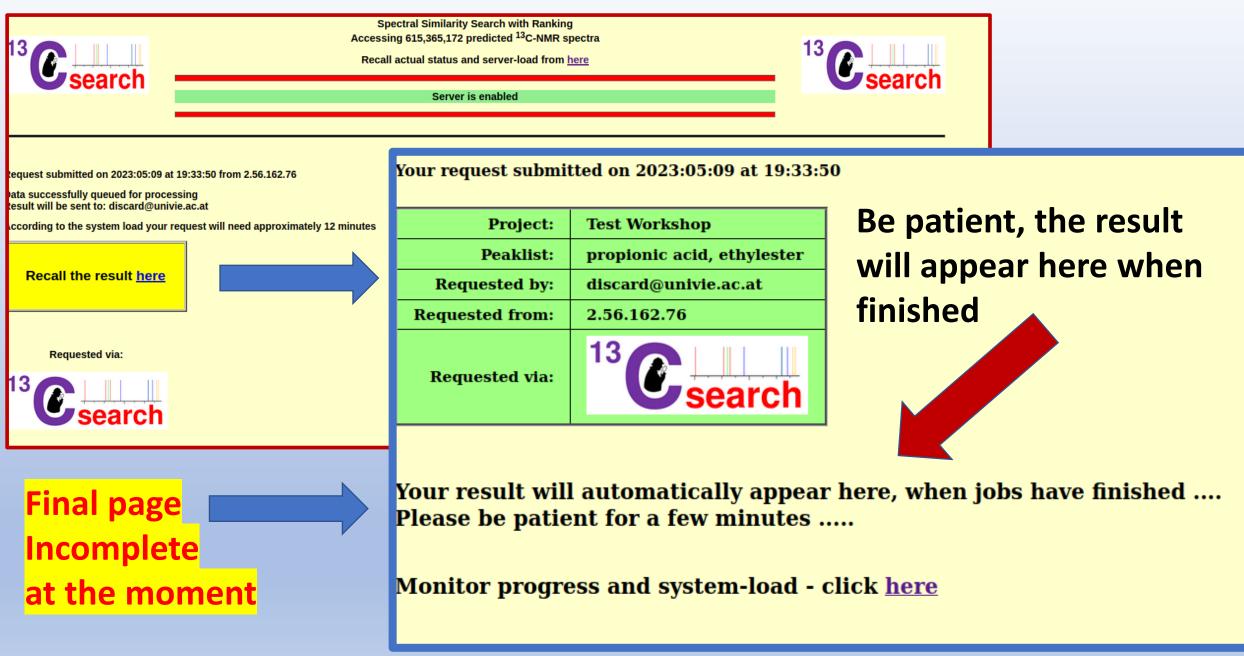
Be patient ! Immediately the final link will be given, when you submit your request, Open link in a new Tab, final page will automatically appear here, when all jobs have finished

Check system-load: <u>https://c13nmr.at/news/robotstatus.html</u>

The final summary collects all structure proposals from all jobs – BUT follow the links given at the beginning to understand the details of this summary

- **Step #1:** Enter your peaklist / one shift per line / use multiplicity when known, default setting for deviation is usually fine
- Step #2: Enter constraints / Range for molecular weight and number of signals in proposed structures
- Step #3: Select presence/absence of elements F,P from NMR, Cl,Br – isotope ratio from MS, N – from MS
- Step #4: Enter your email-address, define project and sample
- **Step #5:** Submit request by clicking "Start Search"-Button





Result from Server - 01:	Reference spectra:	74,435,185	Recall details
Result from Server - 02:	Reference spectra:	107,426,223	Recall details
Result from Server - 03:	Reference spectra:	177,099,966	Recall details
Result from Server - 04:	Reference spectra:	144,833,798	Recall details
Result from Server - 05:	Reference spectra:	111,570,000	Recall details
All Server:	Reference spectra:	615,365,172	
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- > Follow the links to see how the result was obtained
- When inspecting the more detailed pages you see also the variation of constraints in order to optimize the search
- You can download "zip"-files for specific runs and add them to the "Supplementary Information" of your publication



Structures used for linking		
Database	Structures available	
PUBCHEM	150,149,731	
COCONUT	407,270	
LOTUS	276,518	
NPASS 2.0	96,235	
npatlas 2.0	33,372	
NP-MRD	280,096	
SuperNatural 3.0	449,008	

When using reasonable constraints you are allowed to rate the result

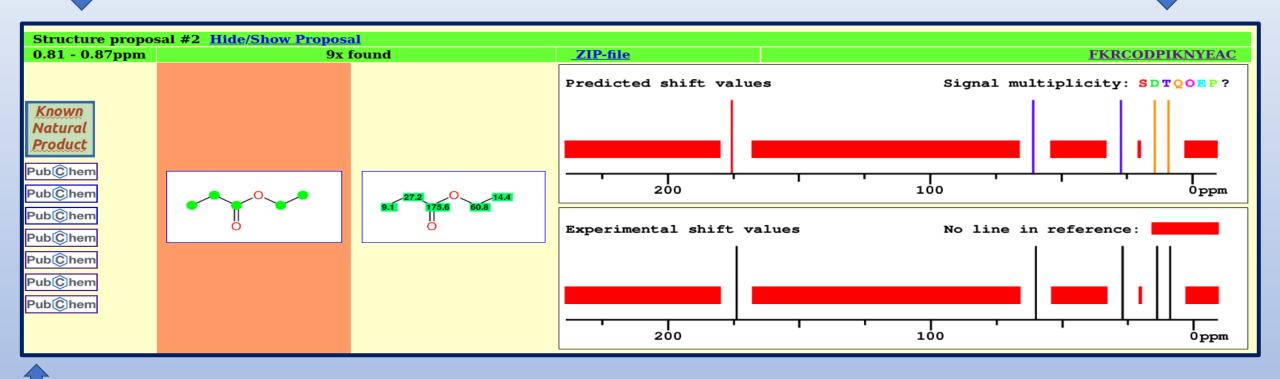
Anonymized rating can be recalled from https://c13nmr.at/news/show_sim_rating.php

Every structure in the hitlist is linked to the PUBCHEM-collection (when available)

Every structure in the final hitlist is checked against these 6 NP-databases and in case the structure is already a known "Natural Product" a marker is shown

Proposals sorted by averagedeviation (0.00 = perfect match)

Search Internet for this structure using "Google" and 2D-Topology (14 chars from INCHIKEY)



Known Natural Product Links to PUBCHEM

Optimize layout/content of final hitlist

This proposal does not fit e.g. the ¹H-NMR data



Examples for testing the efficiency of constraints

	C5 H10 O2 / MW = 102	5 H10 O2 / MW = 102 amu		
	Peaklist:			
	9 q 14 q			
	27 t			
	60 t			
	174 s			
	Use this peaklist	with multiplicity information		
		without multiplicity information		
		no additional constraint		
		Use e.g. a range for the molweight 90 to 115		
		Allow only O, forbid all other elements		
		Restrict references by number of signals (e.g. 3 to 7		

Create a small table holding the number of references found, CPU-time, I/O-load on the server (can be found at the bottom of webpage) – you will learn that missing constraints increase the number of unwanted proposals ("garbage")

Case #2: Structure proposal and ¹³C-NMR data are known \rightarrow perform verification

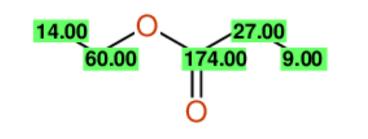
Input:https://c13nmr.at/c13robot/robot.phpResult:Link via email (Access data at the very end !)

Input	Result
Only structure / skip all line Input	Spectrum Prediction
Structure and Peaklist: Peaklist: unassigned/partially assigned/fully assigned	Structure verification (Accept/Minor Revision/ Major/Revision/Reject) and detailed analysis

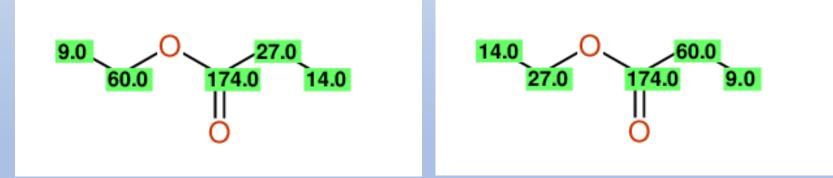
Rules:

- Use descriptive names for your project and your sample
- Use your own email-address
- Draw the structure with a "nice layout"
- Define stereo-centers by up-/down-bonds as usual
- Draw cis/trans-compounds in a correct and nice way
- Your drawing sequence defines the numbering of the atoms
- Automatic assignment works only when "n" lines are given for a compound having "n" carbons
- Enter multiplicity information when available (especially helpful for automatic assignment)
- Assign as many lines as you can
- Usage of exchange flags is allowed (similar to the presentation in the literature)

Examples: Propionic acid, ethylester (correct assignment)

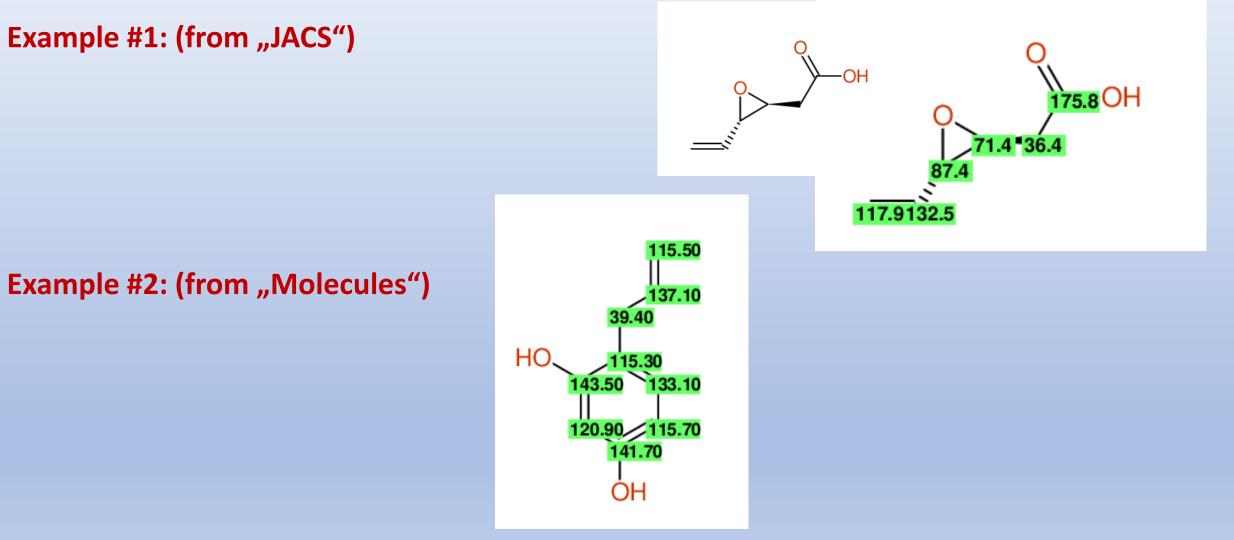


Try different wrong assignments and try partially/completely unassigned



You will obtain "Accept", "Minor Revision" and "Major Revision"

Structure proposal correct ? Data are given as published in high-quality chemistry journals In case you think the structure proposal is wrong, create a better one !





CSEARCH Spectral Similarity Search: https://c13nmr.at/similar/eval.php

CSEARCH Robot Referee:

Show System-load:

User-rating:

News:

https://c13nmr.at/c13robot/robot.php

https://c13nmr.at/news/robotstatus.html

https://c13nmr.at/news/show_sim_rating.php

https://c13nmr.at/news/news.html

Example 1 <u>https://c13nmr.at/DK/example_1.html</u> (will be online on Mon, May 15th)

Example 2 <u>https://c13nmr.at/DK/example_2.html</u> (will be online on Mon, May 15th)

Further reading:

Molecules,26,11,3413(2021) https://c13nmr.at/journal/molecules/index.html

See https://c13nmr.at

- → Examples/Journal
- → Examples/Compounds
- → Literature
- \rightarrow On Web