## **Turning high-throughput structural biology into predictive** inhibitor design – Supplementary Information

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good performance across atll the chemical series

**Supplementary Figure S1**. Overview of the model development process. 1. The data was split into a training and a validation set in a scaffold-split manner, each time excluding one of the chemical series (Supplementary Figure S2) from the training set. 2. Pair-wise differences between the descriptors of the protein-ligand structure and the measured activity value were estimated for all pairs within the training and the validation sets. 3. A model was trained to learn if two compounds differed by more than a half  $pIC_{50}$  unit as a function of the differential fingerprint. 4. The performance of the model was quantified on the left-out set using the area under the receiver-operator characteristic curve (auROC) as a metric. The process was repeated across all the four distinct chemical series and the set of hyperparameters that allowed for a good performance (highest mean auROC value) across all the four chemical series was chosen as the optimal model.



**Supplementary Figure S2**. Division of the molecules into chemical series. Representative example from each of the four chemical series with the salient chemical motif highlighted in red.



**Supplementary Figure S3**. The distribution of heavy atom root-mean squared distance (RMSD) between the docked structures and the experimental determined structures for the four chemical series.



**Supplementary Figure S4**. auROC value achieved with the docking-based model when training data is restricted to the cases where the heavy atom root mean squared displacement (RMSD) between the crystal and the docked structure is below a specified threshold. The number of structures with heavy atom RMSD values below each threshold is shown in Supplementary Figure S3.



**Supplementary Figure S5**. auROC value for the structure-based learning approach with the validation data being restricted to ligands for which the root mean square deviation (RMSD) between the crystal and the experimental structure is below a specific threshold.



**Supplementary Figure S6**. Structures of the five highly potent non-covalent compounds from the COVID moonshot campaign that were used as the reference when evaluating the relative rankings of each of the compounds in the virtual library.

**Supplementary Table S1**. Area under the receiver operator characteristic curve (auROC) for the learn-to-rank task on SARS-CoV-2 MPro binding. Each column shows performance for the case when the specific chemical series is left out as test data. The values correspond to the mean and standard error of the mean when a 10-fold boostrapping process was performed on the test data. All models were built using Autodock Vina descriptors using the structure-based learning approach where experimental crystal structures were used for the training the model and docked structures

auROC	Aminopyridine-like (n = 123)	lsoquinoline (n = 44)	Benzotriazole (n = 19)	Quinolone (n = 15)	Mean
Logistic regression	0.76 ± 0.04	0.73 ± 0.01	0.82 ± 0.02	0.73 ± 0.02	0.76 ± 0.02
Extra Tree classifier	0.71 ± 0.04	0.68 ± 0.02	0.82 ± 0.01	0.72 ± 0.04	$0.73 \pm 0.03$
Random forest	0.78 ± 0.01	0.73 ± 0.01	0.81 ± 0.01	0.79 ± 0.02	0.78 ± 0.02
k-nearest neighors	0.71 ± 0.05	0.70 ± 0.01	0.81 ± 0.01	$0.72 \pm 0.03$	$0.73 \pm 0.03$

Aminopyridine-like Isoquinoline Quinolone Benzotriazole auPRC Mean (n = 123) (n = 44) (n = 15) (n = 19) Logistic regression  $0.66 \pm 0.06$  $0.70 \pm 0.01$  $0.72 \pm 0.03$   $0.73 \pm 0.03$  $0.82 \pm 0.01$ 0.70 ± 0.05 0.70 ± 0.04 Extra Tree classifier  $0.60 \pm 0.04$  $0.67 \pm 0.02$  $0.81 \pm 0.02$ 0.77 ± 0.02 0.76 ± 0.03 Random forest  $0.73 \pm 0.02$  $0.70 \pm 0.01$  $0.82 \pm 0.02$ 0.78 ± 0.02 0.77 ± 0.03 k-nearest neighors  $0.74 \pm 0.07$  $0.73 \pm 0.01$  $0.84 \pm 0.03$ 

**Supplementary Table S2**. Same data as in Supplementary Table S1 with the performance evalulated using area under the precision-recall curve (auPRC) as the performance metric.

Supplementary Table S3. Hyperparameters considered for the different model architectures.

Model	Hyperparameters		
Logistic regression	penalty: { l1, l2 }		
	C: {0.001, 0.001, 0.01, 1, 10}		
	solver: {lbfgs, liblinear}		
Extra tree classifier	Nestimators: { 20, 50, 80 100, 150, 200, 400}		
	max depth: {3, 4, 5, 6, 7}		
	min samples split: {1, 2, 4}		
	criterion: {gini, entropy, logloss}		
Random forest	Nestimators: {20, 50, 100, 200, 500}		
	max depth: {2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7}		
	min samples leaf: {1, 2, 3, 4}		
	max features: {sqrt, auto }		
	k-nearest neighbors n <sub>neighbors</sub> : {2, 5, 10, 30, 80, 200, 500}		
	weights: {uniform, distance		

**Supplementary Table S4**. The performances of structure-based modelling strategy in comparison to the ligand-based and docking-based learning strategies for each of the four scaffolds as quantified by auROC value. The values correspond to the average and the standard deviation of the auROC scores on the left-out data using a 10-fold bootstrapping process.

auROC	Aminopyridine-like (n = 123)	lsoquinoline (n = 44)	Benzotriazole (n = 19)	Quinolone (n = 15)	Mean
Ligand-based learning	0.64 ± 0.05	0.46 ± 0.07	0.42 ± 0.01	0.56 ± 0.10	0.76 ± 0.02
Docking-based learning	0.51 ± 0.09	$0.62 \pm 0.02$	$0.79 \pm 0.02$	0.82 ± 0.03	0.73 ± 0.03
Docking with structure-based learning	0.80 ± 0.01	0.71 ± 0.01	0.81 ± 0.01	$0.78 \pm 0.02$	$0.78 \pm 0.02$