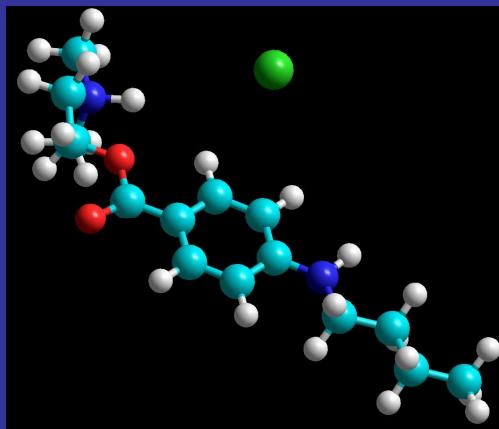
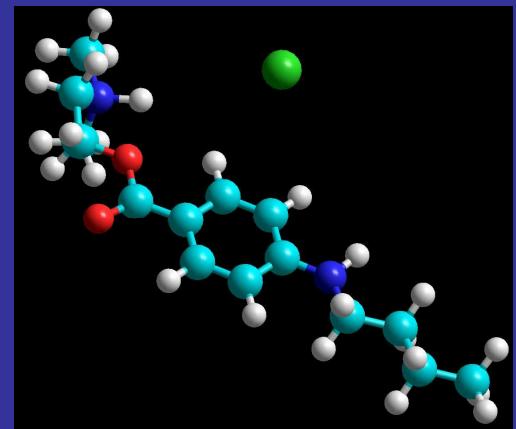


# Ab initio crystal structure determination of two polymorphic modifications of a local anesthetic agent, **Tetracaine Hydrochloride ...**



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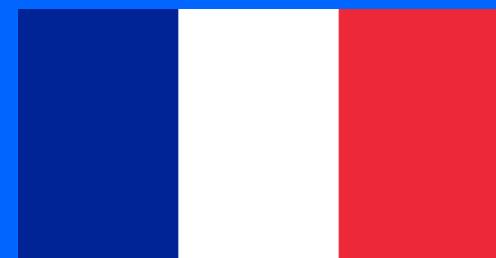
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What this talk is **really** about :

Ab initio structure solution

using :

High-resolution XRPD [ indexing ]

Molecular modeling [ starting flexible molecule ]

Direct space methods [ Monte - Carlo ]

Hydrogen bonds [ chemical sense ]

- Motivation

- (a) Polymorphism : induced by freeze-drying  
known tetracaine HC ↗ unknown leocaine Leonidov (1995)
- (b) Anesthetics : local (eyes)
- (c) Ab Initio structure solution : a textbook example ?

- Previous work on TetraCaine HydroChloride [ TCHC ]

- (a) Giron *et al* (1997) (b) Nowell *et al* (2002) (c) Schmidt *et al* (2006)

- Synchrotron X-ray diffraction experiments [ 11-BM @ APS / ANL ]

- OUR TALK : Leocaine = Modeling + Indexing + Direct Space Methods with a twist : Preferred Orientation included in Monte - Carlo

- Modeling ( One molecule , PMC , four molecules )
- Indexing ( DICVOL : ok ; N-TREOR-09 : perfect )
- Ab Initio Solving ( FOX ! , EXPO 2009 ? )

- Inter- / Intra- molecular H- bonds

# I. MOTIVATION (1) : LEOCAINE , a new effective drug

## Paper

[Leocaine--a new generation of local anesthetics] [Vestn Oftalmol. 1995]

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Vestn Oftalmol. 1995 Oct-Dec;111(4):19-21.

**[Leocaine--a new generation of local anesthetics]**

[Article in Russian]

Leonidov NB, Nesterov AP, Uspenskaia SI, Knizhev VA, Fitilev SB, Avramenko NN.

Leocaine is a new crystal beta-modification of beta-dimethylaminoethyl ether of n-butylaminobenzoic acid. The chemical formula is the same as for dicaine, but it has a number of advantages over this drug. The analgesic effect of leocaine is 2.5 times higher than that of dicaine. By the duration and depth of anesthesia 0.3% leocaine corresponds to 1% dicaine. Leocaine exerts no toxic effect on the corneal epithelium and its instillation into the eye cavity does not result in the reactive dilatation of corneal or episcleral vessels. Leocaine solution is stable in the eye. Clinical trials of leocaine carried out on more than 2500 patients showed virtually complete absence of side effects. Commercial manufacture of leocaine is launched at present. One of the commercial preparations represents a 0.3% solution of leocaine in isotonic NaCl solution. Another drug contains, besides leocaine, methylcellulose and other substances. Leocaine are recommended for practical ophthalmology instead of dicaine for local anesthesia. The drug is now in medical use and commercial manufacture by the Ministry of Health and Medical Industry of Russia.

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## Patent

**United States Patent** [19]  
**Leonidov** **1995**

[54] CRYSTALLINE MODIFICATION OF 2-DIMETHYLAMINOETHYL-N-BUTYLMINOBENZOATE HYDROCHLORIDE, METHOD FOR PRODUCTION THEREOF AND PHARMACEUTICAL PREPARATION FOR ANAESTHESIA OF EYES, BASED THEREON

[76] Inventor: Nikolai B. Leonidov, ulitsa Zatonnaya, 12, korpus 1, kv. 158, Moscow, Russian Federation

[21] Appl. No.: 958,106

[22] PCT Filed: Aug. 19, 1991

[86] PCT No.: PCT/SU91/00168

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### Foreign Application Priority Data

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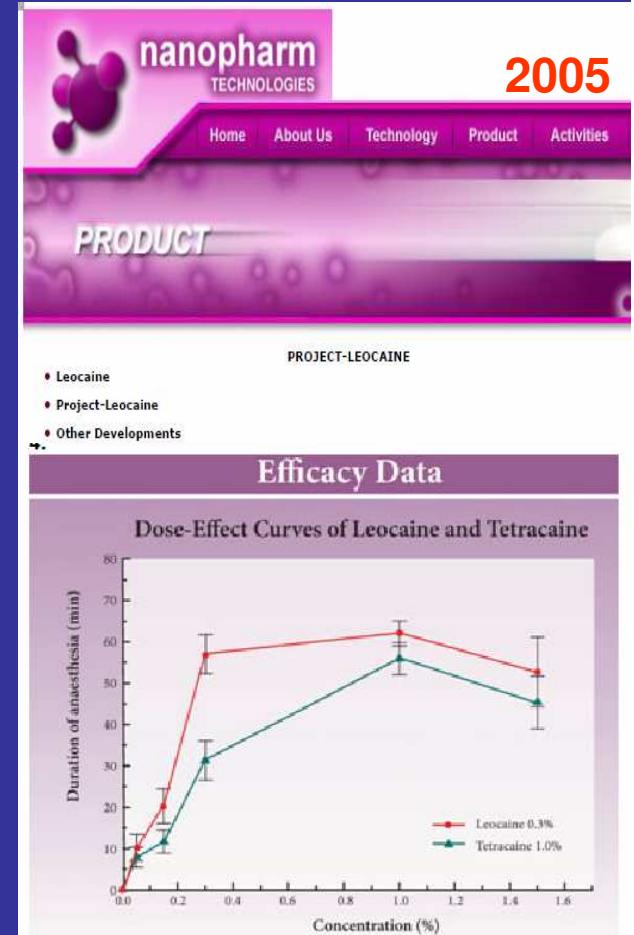
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## Industry



... while the crystal structure remains unknown !

## I. MOTIVATION (2) : Structure Solving Strategy

Preliminary  
modeling :

(Energy minimization)

(i) One molecular unit  
↳ Flexible model  
( Hyperchem™ )

(ii) Molecular Packing  
(unit cell known)  
↳ Crystal structure  
prediction

( PMC , Dzyabchenko )

Ab initio  
solving :

(i) Direct Methods  
( Phase Problem )  
**FAILS !**

(ii) Direct Space  
Methods  
Monte-Carlo  
Parallel tempering

( FOX , Favre-Nicolin )

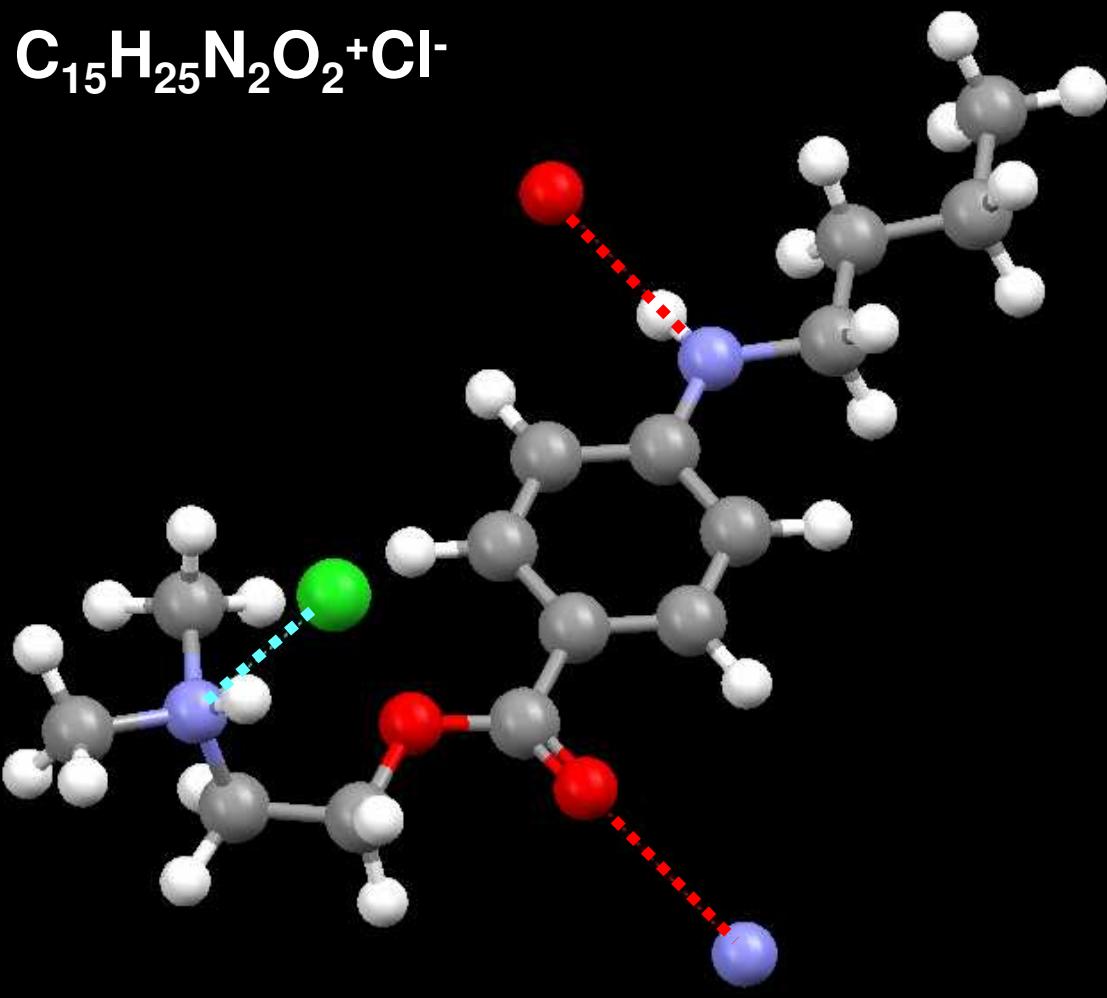
Post  
modeling :

(Energy minimization)

Stability check :  
Crystal approximated  
by a few molecules

( 4 for leocaine )  
( Hyperchem™ )

## II. PREVIOUS WORK (1) : Tetracaine Hydrochloride



Novell *et al*  
NJC (2002)

ab initio  
from  
XRPD  
[ DASH ]

2 - (dimethylamino)ethyl p - butylaminobenzoate hydrochloride

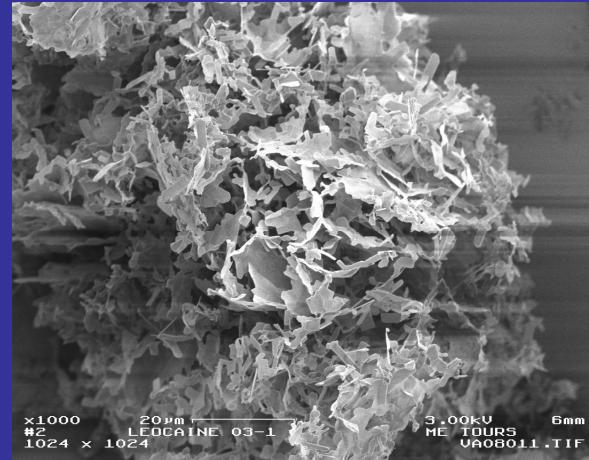
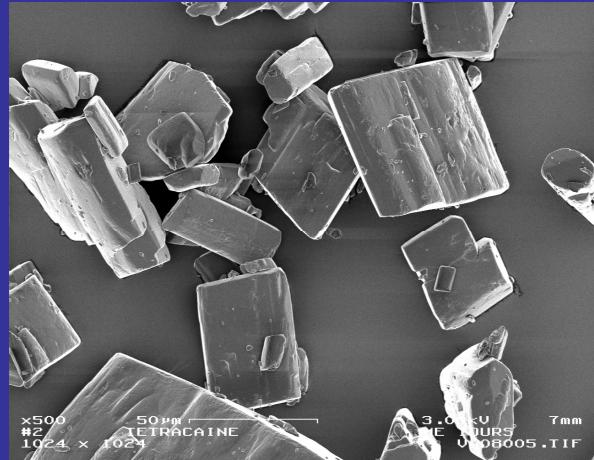
## II. PREVIOUS WORK (2) : Tetracaine Hydrochloride

- Giron *et al*  
TCHC polymorphism ( DSC , HT XRPD )  
*J. Therm. Anal.* (1997)  
6 anhydrous crystalline forms ... 2 stable at  $T = 300$  K.
- Schmidt *et al*  
TCHC mod.4 ( SXD )  
*Pharmaceutical Research* (2005)  
Polymorphism caused by conformal flexibility of the molecules ...
- Hamaed *et al*  
TCHC ( SXD,  $^{35}\text{Cl}$  NMR )  
*JACS* (2008)

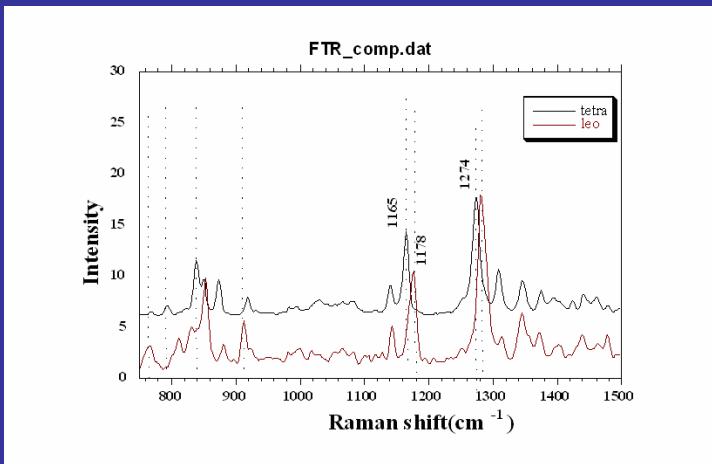
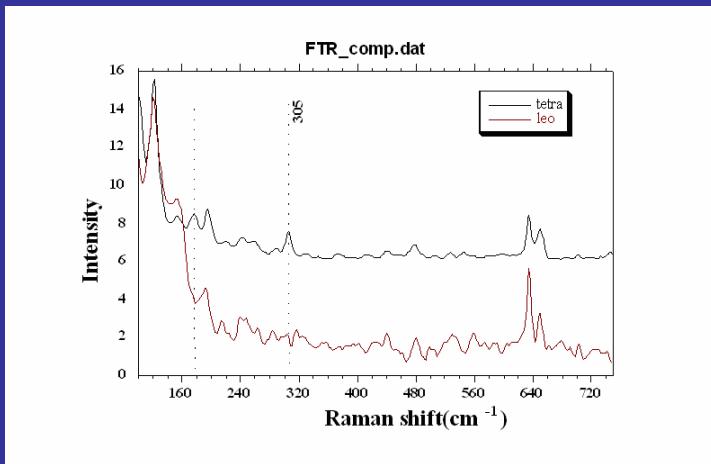
## II. Our Experiments (1) : Sample characterization

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- Electron microscopy ( SEM )

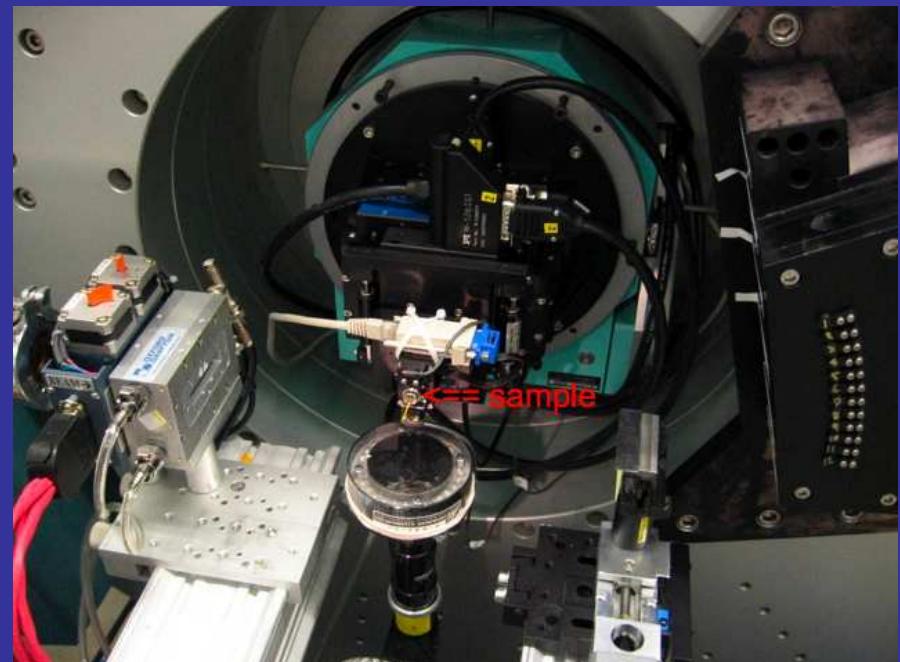


- Raman spectroscopy ( FTR )

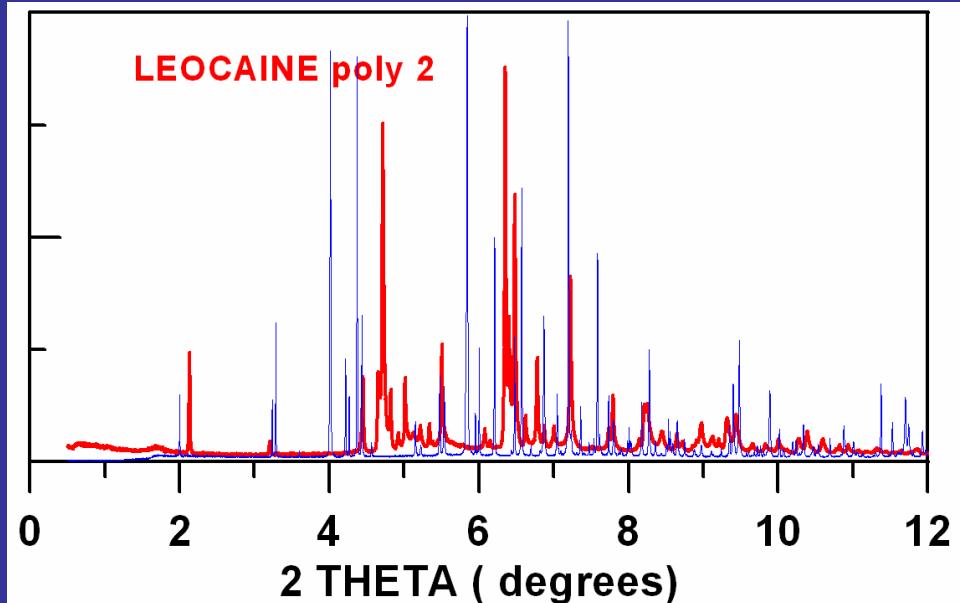
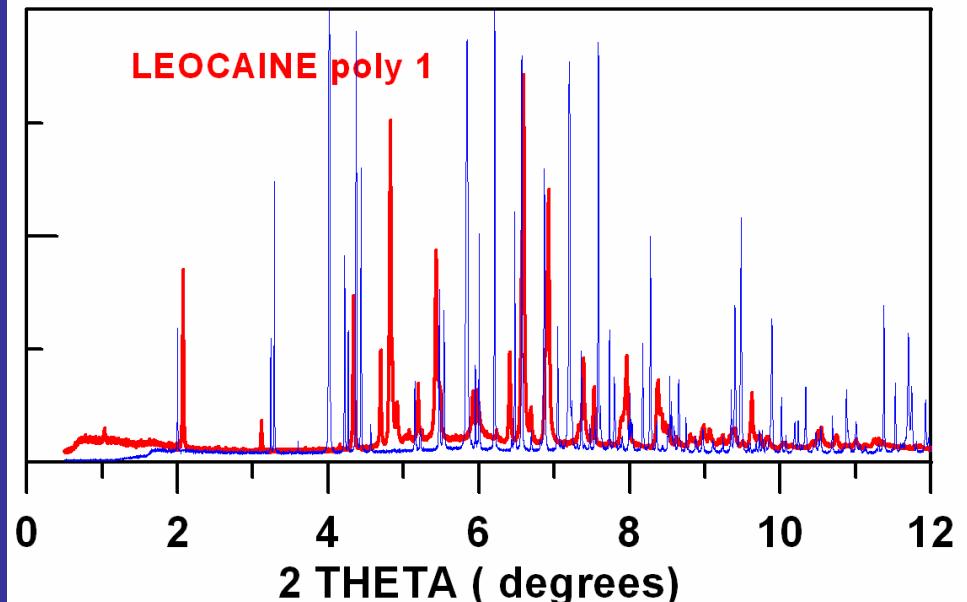
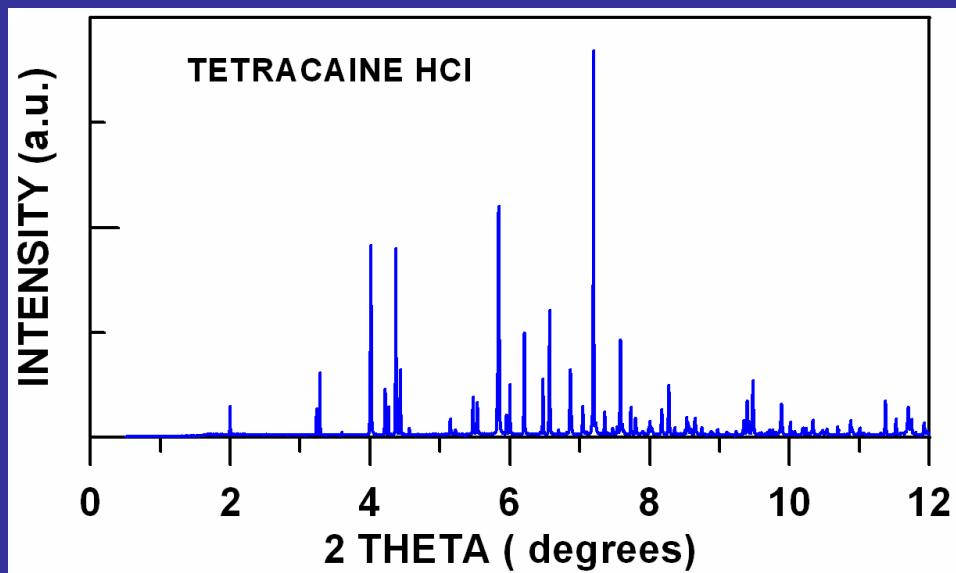


## II. Our Experiments (2) : High-resolution Synchrotron XRPD

11-BM beamline @ APS / ANL ( Argonne , USA)



## II. Our Experiments (3) : High-resolution Synchrotron data



### III. Our Structure Solutions (1) : INDEXING with N-TREOR-09

## Tetracaine (TCHC)

Sol.	M20	a	b	c	alpha	beta	gamma	2Theta-shift	NIX	vol.
Total number of plausible solutions = 3										
1	31	13.7376	8.5802	7.4115	98.6903	90.8451	106.1796	0.0020	0	828.
2	3	24.1806	6.8277	18.8280	90.0000	102.1412	90.0000	0.0000	2	3039.
3	3	24.1969	6.8476	18.8098	90.0000	102.0099	90.0000	-0.0020	2	3048.

NIX is the number of unindexed lines.

## Leocaine poly # 1

Sol.	M20	a	b	c	alpha	beta	gamma	2Theta-shift	NIX	vol.
Total number of plausible solutions = 4										
1	22	25.4800	6.2351	10.9343	90.0000	96.8923	90.0000	-0.0040	0	1725.
2	2	12.4406	12.4406	77.8686	90.0000	90.0000	120.0000	-0.0020	6	10437.
3	2	12.6063	12.6063	76.9181	90.0000	90.0000	120.0000	0.0000	1	10586.
4	1	NaN	6.2364	NaN	90.0000	90.0000	90.0000	-0.0060	1	NaN

NIX is the number of unindexed lines.

## Leocaine poly # 2

Sol.	M20	a	b	c	alpha	beta	gamma	2Theta-shift	NIX	vol.
Total number of plausible solutions = 2										
1	28	25.0079	6.0831	11.3201	90.0000	100.0335	90.0000	0.0000	0	1696.
2	6	24.7547	12.1383	5.6728	90.0000	92.6190	90.0000	0.0000	1	1703.

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### **III. Our Structure Solutions (1) : INDEXING with N-TREOR-09**

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### **III. Our Structure Solutions (1) : INDEXING with N-TREOR-09**

# Tetracaine (TCHC) P-1

# Leocaine poly # 1

## P 2<sub>1</sub> / c

# Leocaine poly # 2

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Total number of plausible solutions = 4

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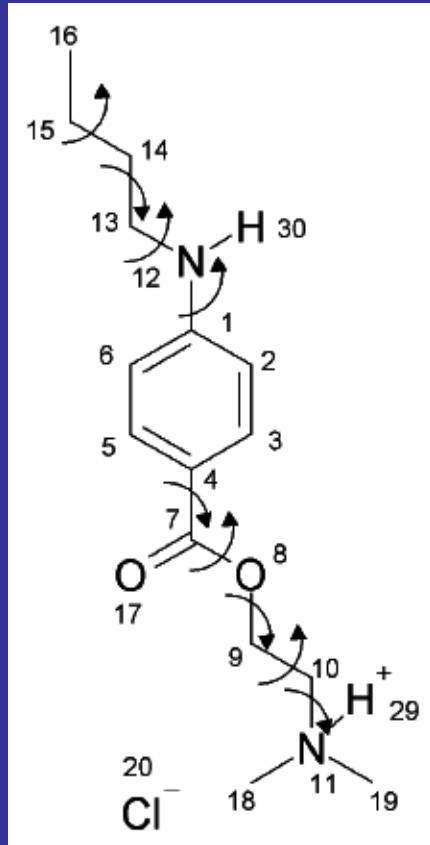
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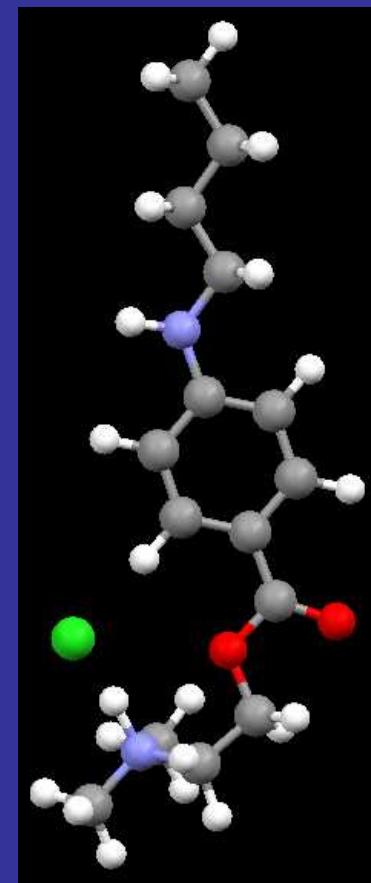
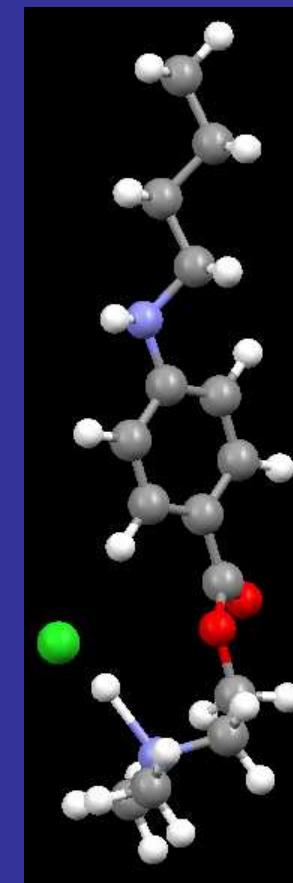
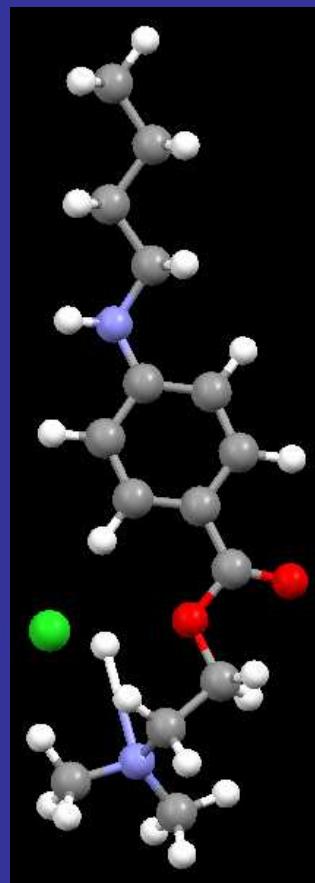
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### III. Our Structure Solutions (2): Flexible molecular model

for  
Tetracaine  
( Novell , NJC, 2002 )



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AM1      PM3      ZNDO (best)

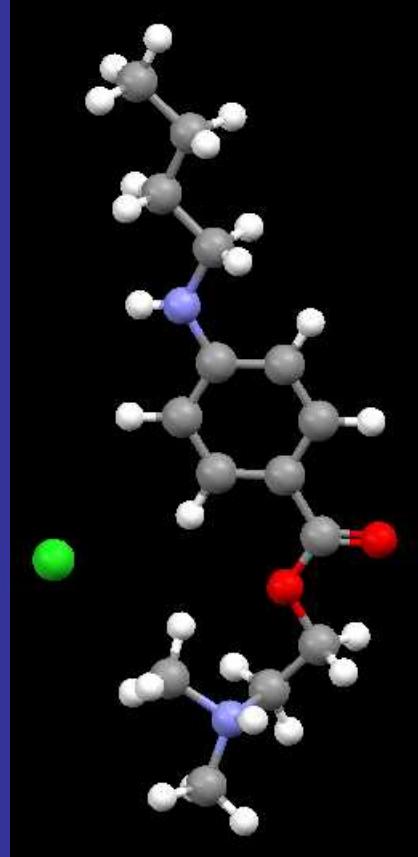


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for  
Leocaine

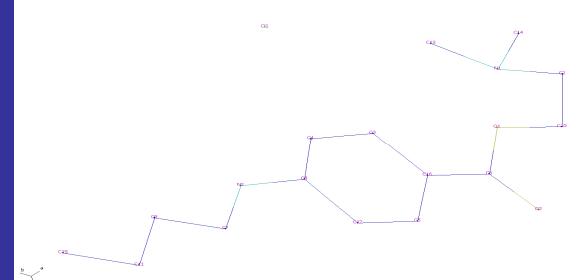
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Tetracaine  
(TCHC)  
XRPD (Novell,2002)



Tetracaine  
(TCHC)  
SXD (2010)

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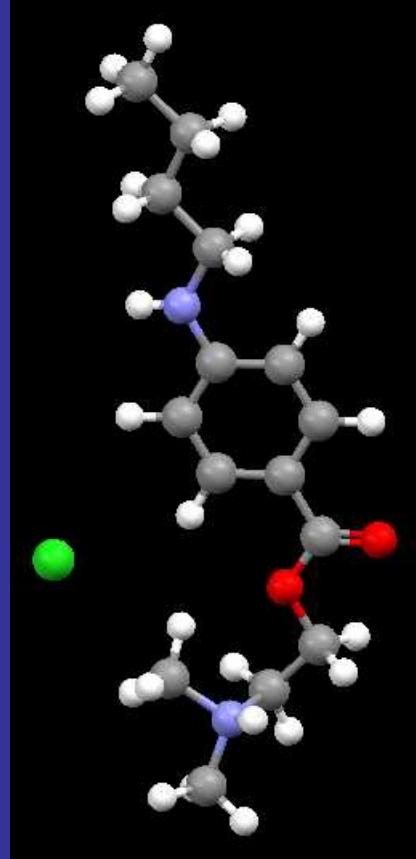
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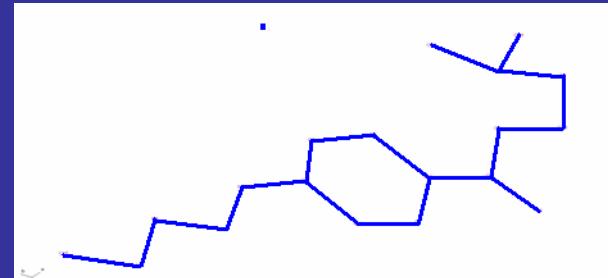
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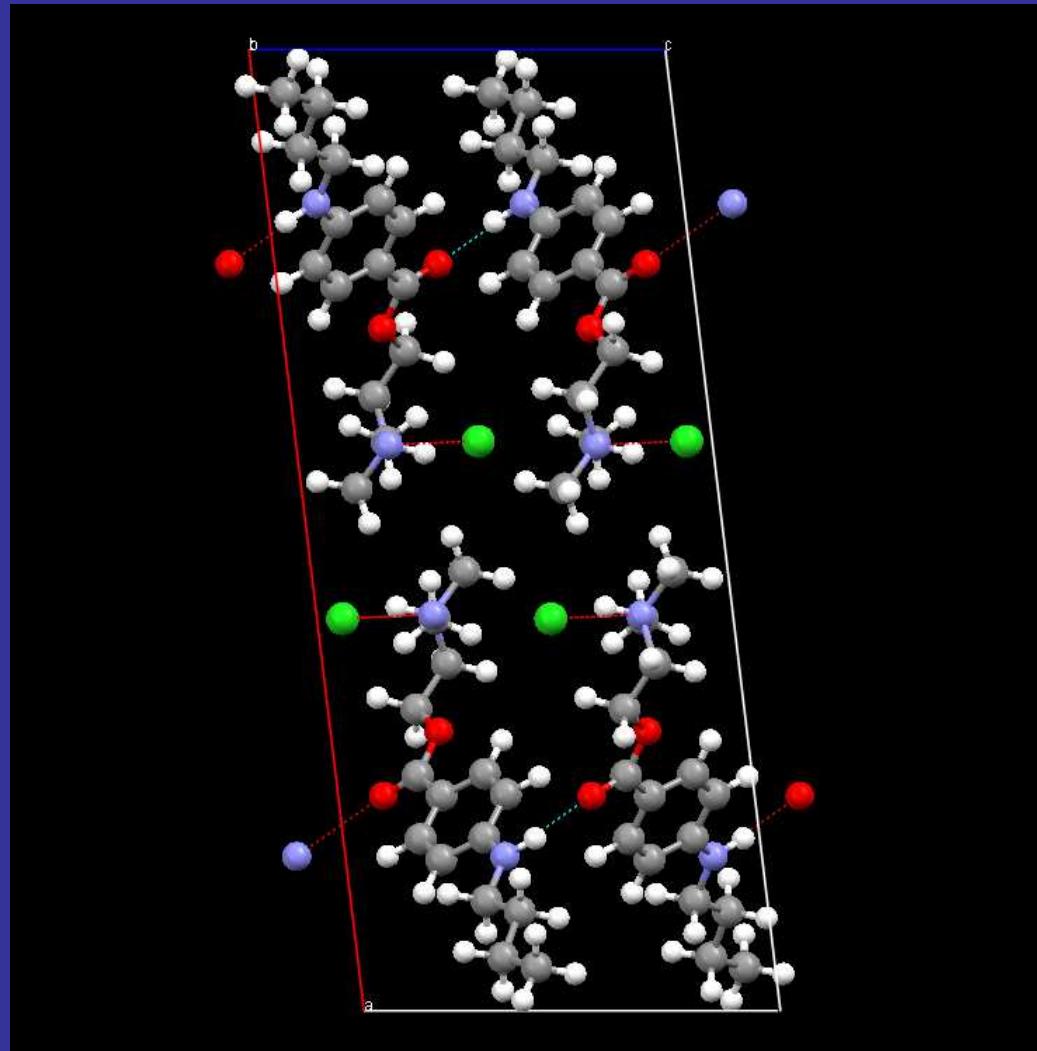
### III. Our Structure Solutions (4) : Theoretical Crystal Model

**PMC :**  
**Packing of  
Molecules  
in Crystals**

( Dzyabchenko , 2008 )  
Russ. J. Phys. Chem.

• minimizes the energy  
of the lattice

• requires :  
• the unit cell  
• a rigid molecular model



### III. Our Structure Solutions (5) : SOLVING THE STRUCTURE !

#### OUR STRATEGY :

(i) Fine-tune the solving procedure on a known case :

( Tetracaine Hydrochloride )

(ii) Transpose it to cases of similar complexity :

The two new polymorphs ( Leocaine )

### III. Our Structure Solutions (6) : SOLVING THE STRUCTURE !

EXPO-2009 ?

#### (i) DIRECT METHODS [ Phase problem ] FAIL

WHY : Not enough triplets / quartets ...  
... in the Lebail- extracted  $F(hkl)$ 's

#### (ii) SIMULATED ANNEALING FAILS ( for now ... )

WHY : Preferred Orientation not yet included ...  
... in the Monte-Carlo search

### III. Our Structure Solutions (7) : SOLVING THE STRUCTURE !

FOX !

( Favre-Nicolin , Cerny )

J. Appl. Cryst. 2002

WHAT : DIRECT SPACE METHODS

HOW : Monte-Carlo Parallel Tempering

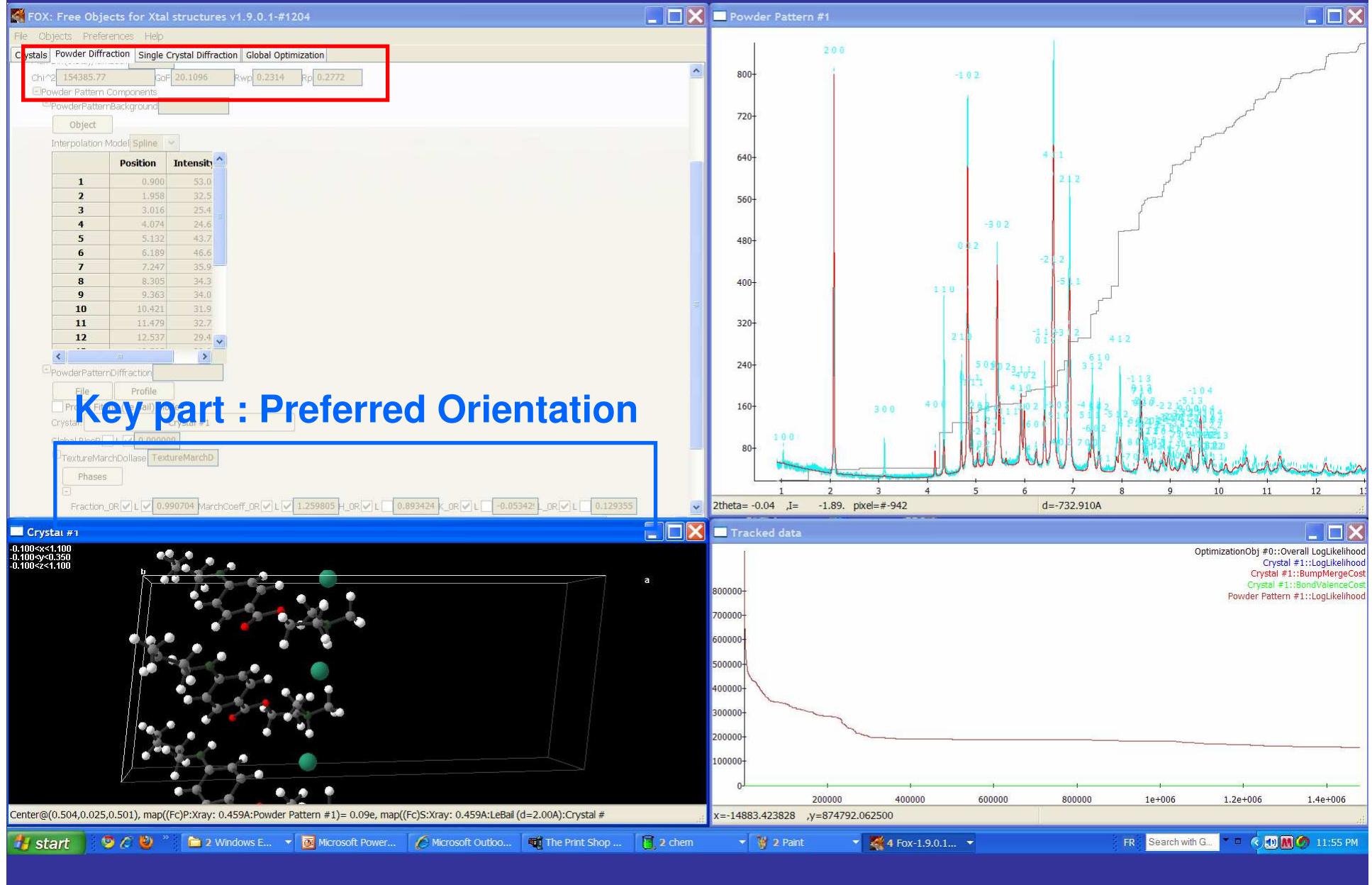
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Relaxed Flexible Molecular Model

WHY : Preferred Orientation IS included ...  
... in the Monte-Carlo search

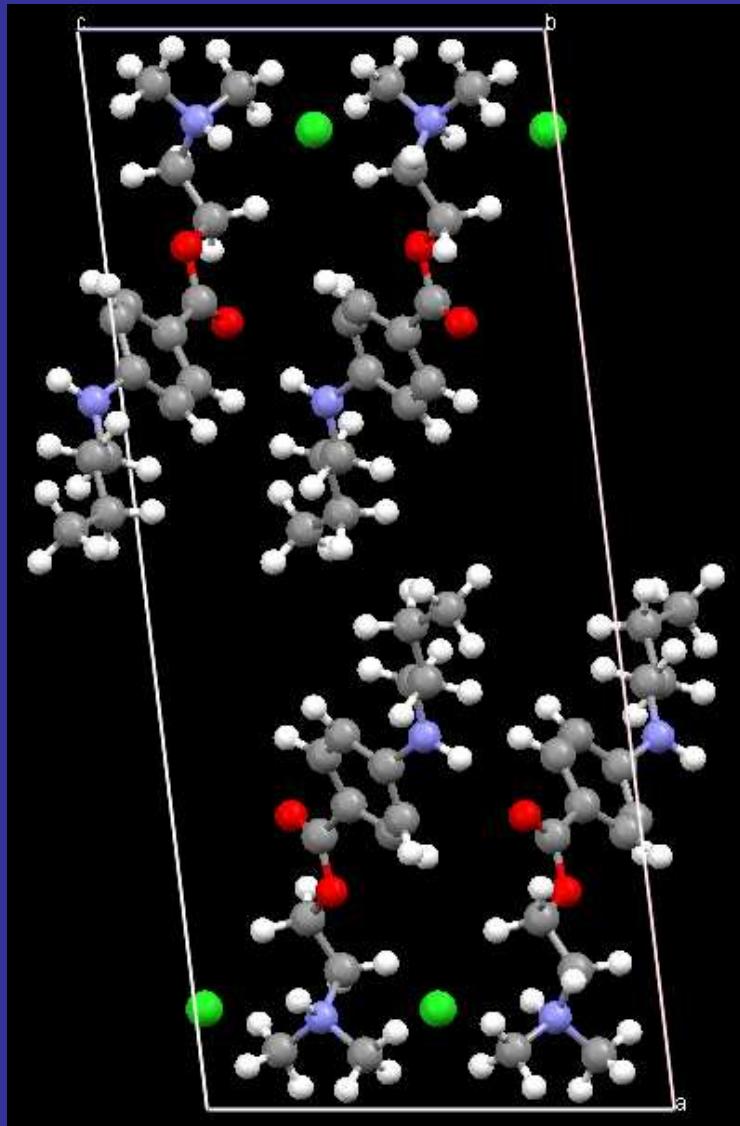
WORKS WITH TETRACAINÉ ↗ WE TRY IT ON LEOCAINE

### III. Our Structure Solutions (8) : A TYPICAL FOX SCREEN

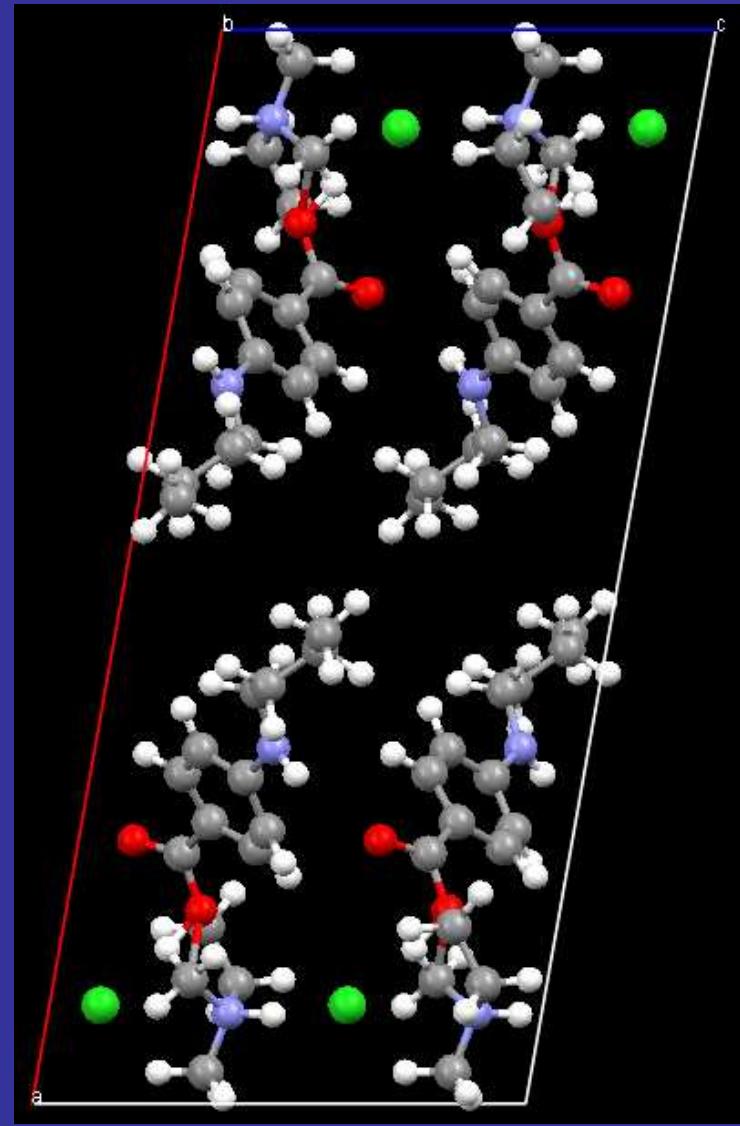


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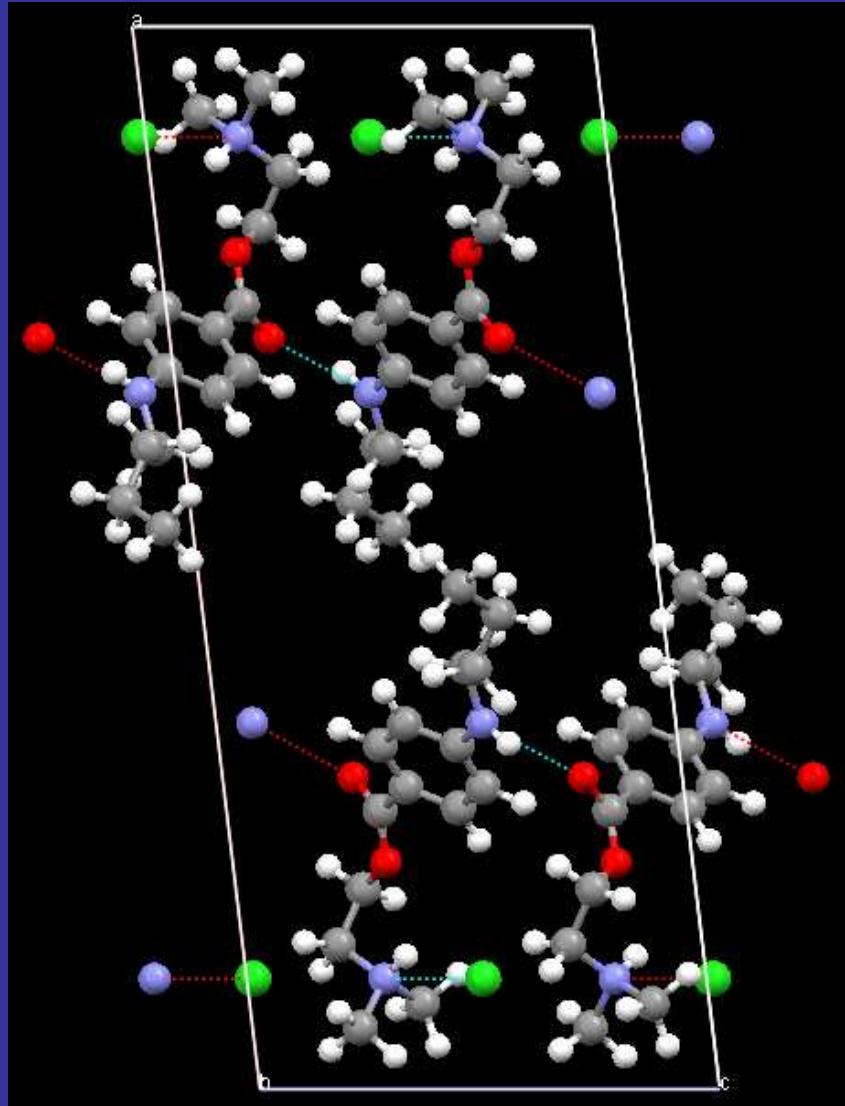


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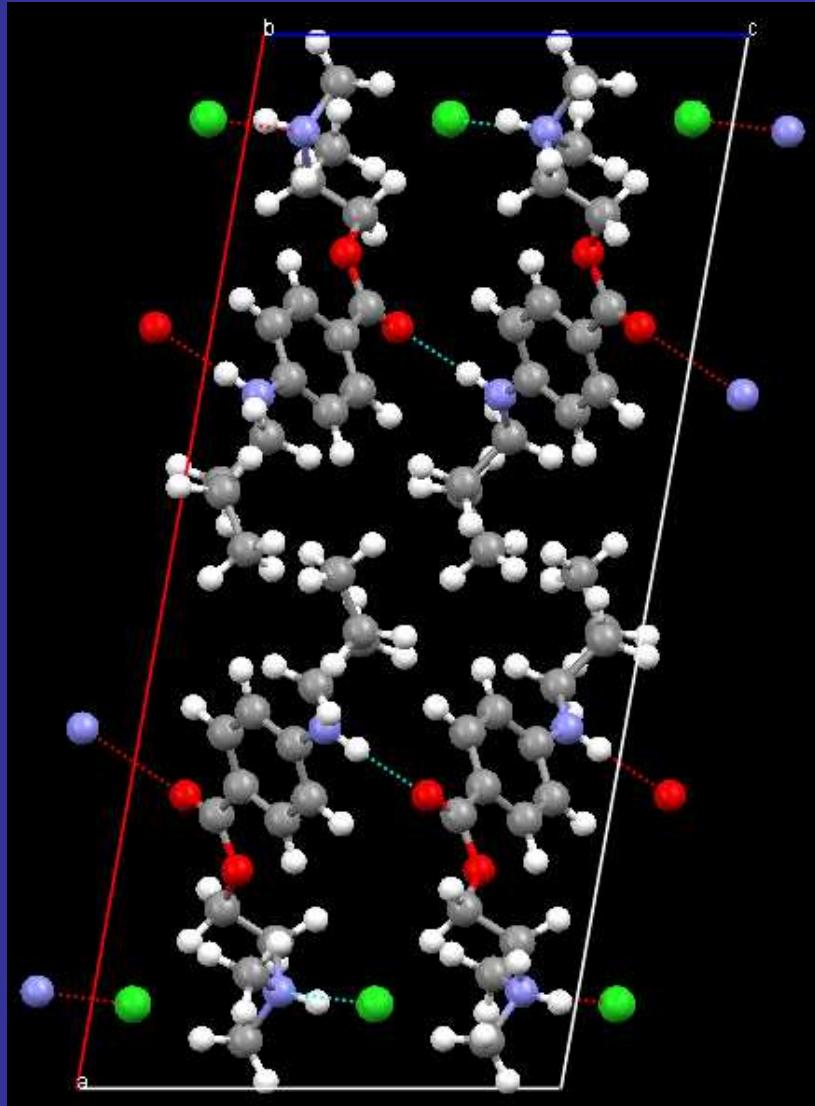


### III. Our Structure Solutions (10) : FOX solutions for LEO

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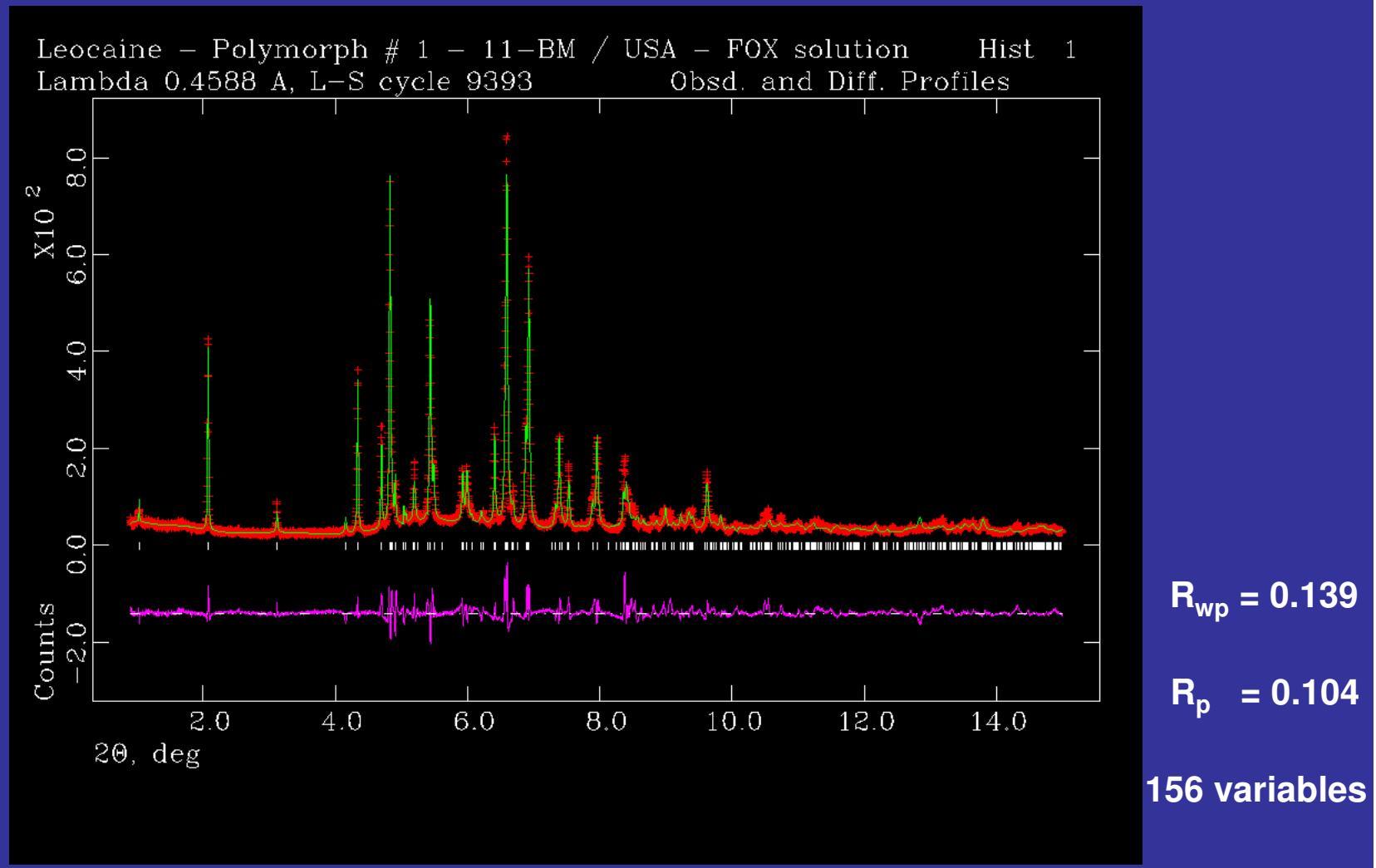


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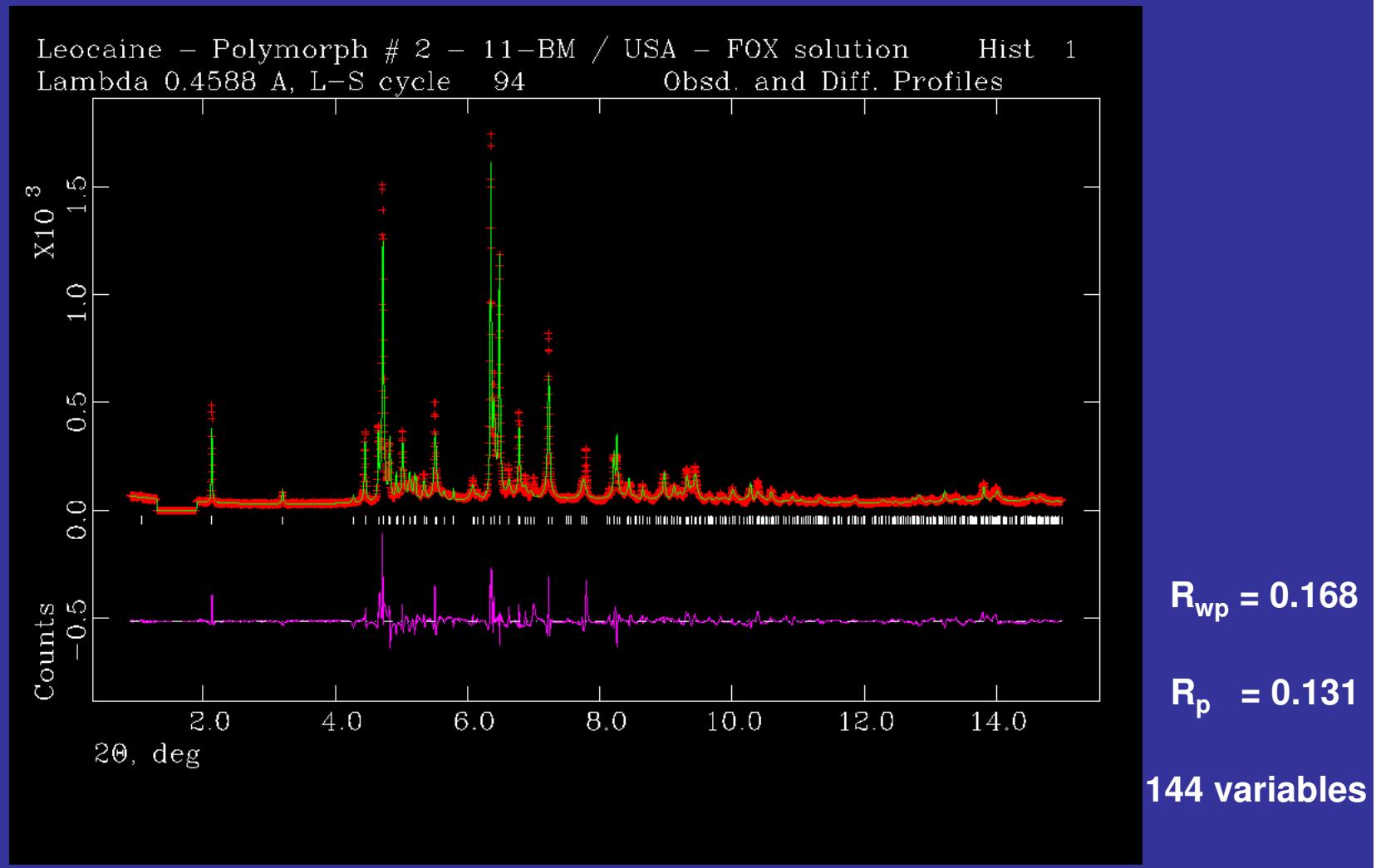
### III. Our Structure Solutions (11) : FOX solutions for LEO

#### Polymorph # 1 : GSAS-fit diffraction data



### III. Our Structure Solutions (12) : FOX solutions for LEO

#### Polymorph # 2 : GSAS-fit diffraction data

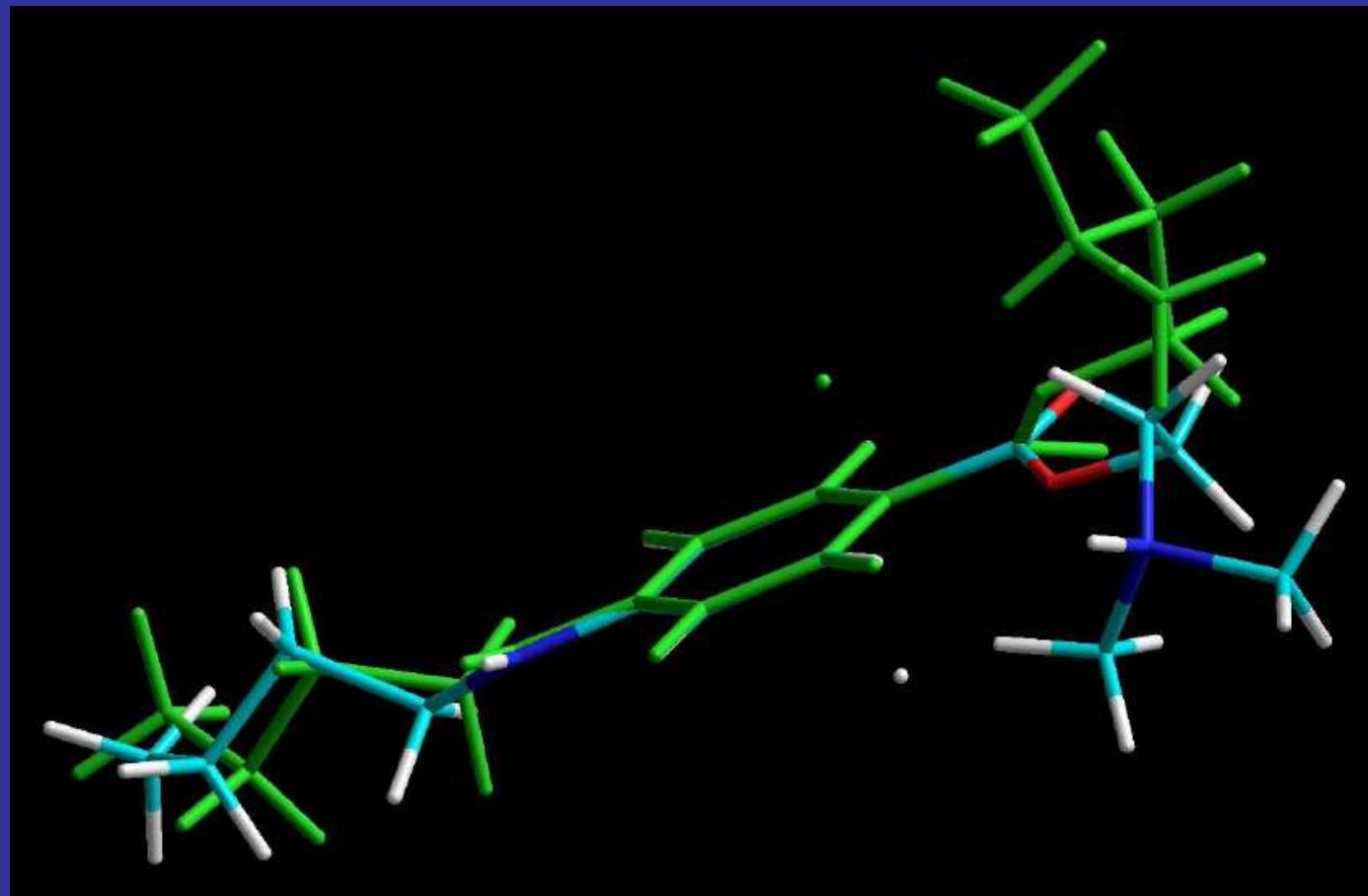


### III. Our Structure Solutions (13) : FOX solutions for LEO

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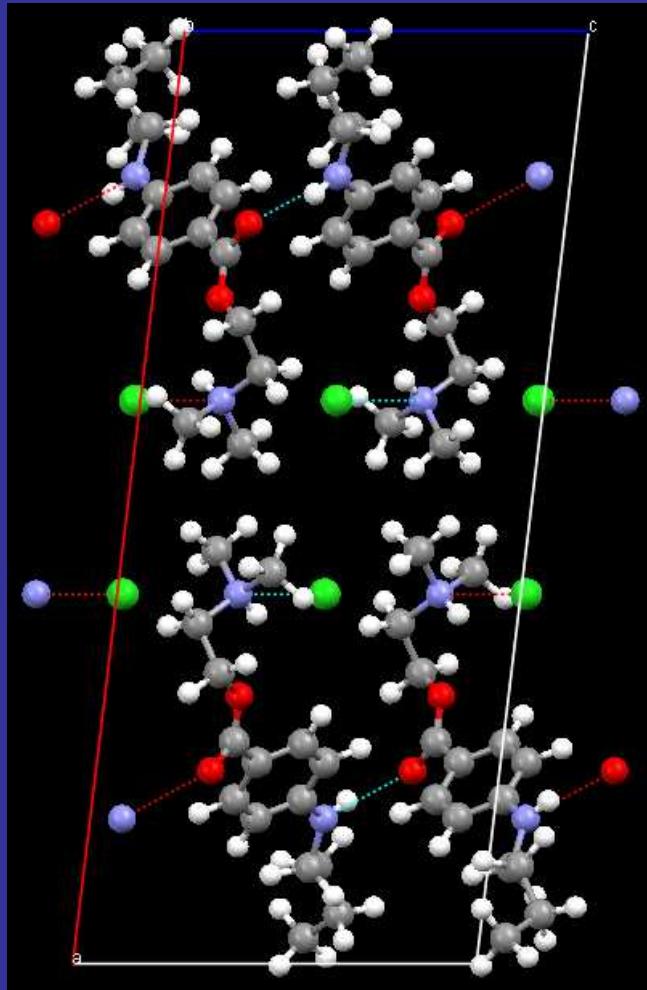
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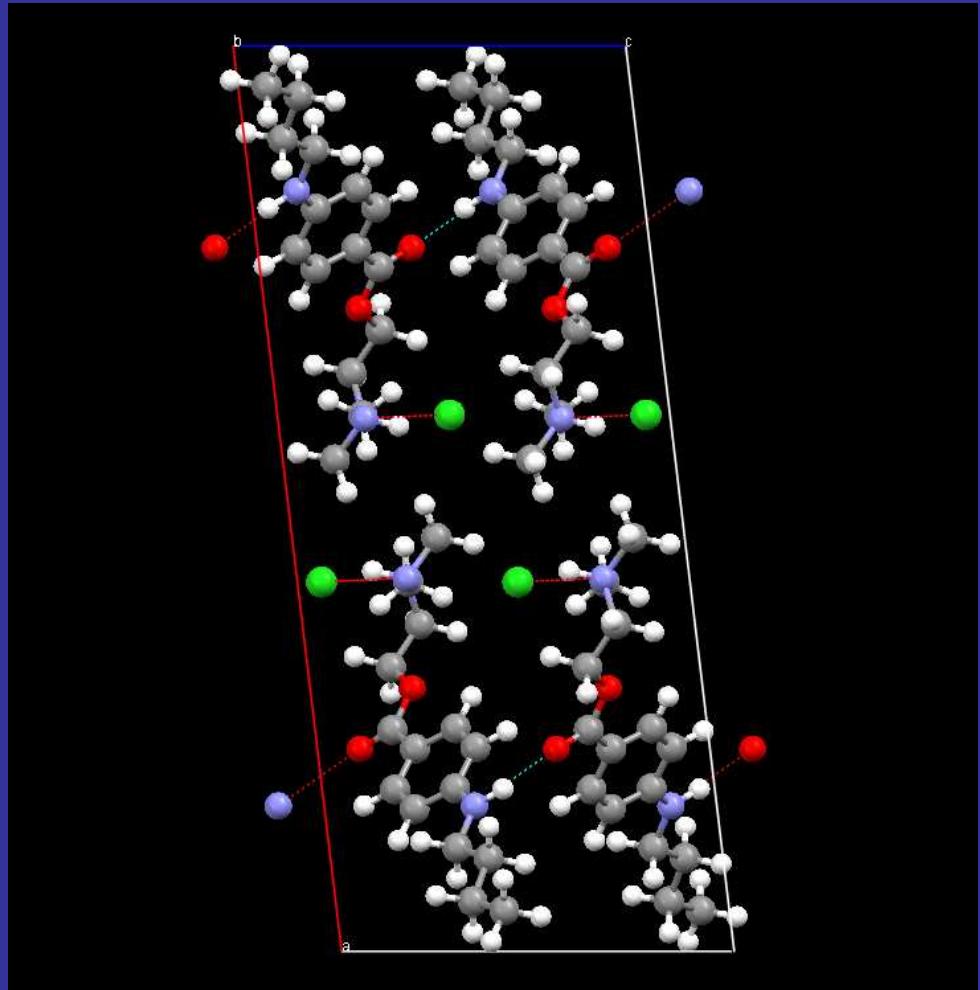


### III. Our Structure Solutions (14) : Do they make sense ?

Polymorph # 1



PMC / THEORY



### III. Our Structure Solutions (15) : Do they make sense ?

## TETRACAIN

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C14 C13 N12	Not unusual (enough hits)	140	108.445	111.333	2.828	<b>1.021</b>	2.888	102.176	127.860	111.120	0.004		
C15 C14 C13	Not unusual (enough hits)	375	111.361	114.206	6.035	<b>0.472</b>	2.845	99.956	157.142	113.236	0.002		
C16 C15 C14	Not unusual (enough hits)	10000	110.364	113.643	8.886	<b>0.369</b>	3.279	28.671	180.000	113.132	0.001		
O8 C7 C4	Unusual (enough hits)	1592	117.284	112.266	1.707	<b>2.940</b>	5.017	96.366	128.246	112.168	0.001		
C9 C10 N11	Unusual (enough hits)	33	107.973	113.243	2.482	<b>2.123</b>	5.270	107.969	119.756	113.426	0.004		
C2 C1 N12 C13	Not unusual (enough hits)	371	-2.818							0.001	<b>0.353</b>		
C6 C1 N12 C13	Not unusual (enough hits)	371	176.112							0.000		<b>0.388</b>	
O8 C7 C4 C3	Not unusual (enough hits)	10000	179.083							0.002		<b>0.377</b>	
O17 C7 C4 C3	Not unusual (enough hits)	10000	6.007							0.002		<b>0.434</b>	
O8 C7 C4 C5	Not unusual (enough hits)	10000	-1.982							0.001		<b>0.388</b>	
O17 C7 C4 C5	Not unusual (enough hits)	10000	-175.058							0.002		<b>0.418</b>	
C9 O8 C7 C4	Not unusual (enough hits)	2181	176.771							0.000		<b>0.969</b>	
C9 O8 C7 O17	Not unusual (enough hits)	2405	-10.361							0.005		<b>0.887</b>	
C7 O8 C9 C10	Not unusual (enough hits)	191	-171.505							0.000		<b>0.492</b>	
O8 C9 C10 N11	Not unusual (enough hits)	590	-73.342							0.001		<b>0.205</b>	
C14 C13 N12 C1	Not unusual (enough hits)	112	175.351							0.001		<b>0.518</b>	
C15 C14 C13 N12	Not unusual (enough hits)	1309	178.668							0.003		<b>0.517</b>	
C13 C14 C15 C16	Not unusual (enough hits)	10000	-177.304							0.001		<b>0.668</b>	
C9 C10 N11 C18	Unusual (enough hits)	92	94.607							0.001		<b>0.033</b>	
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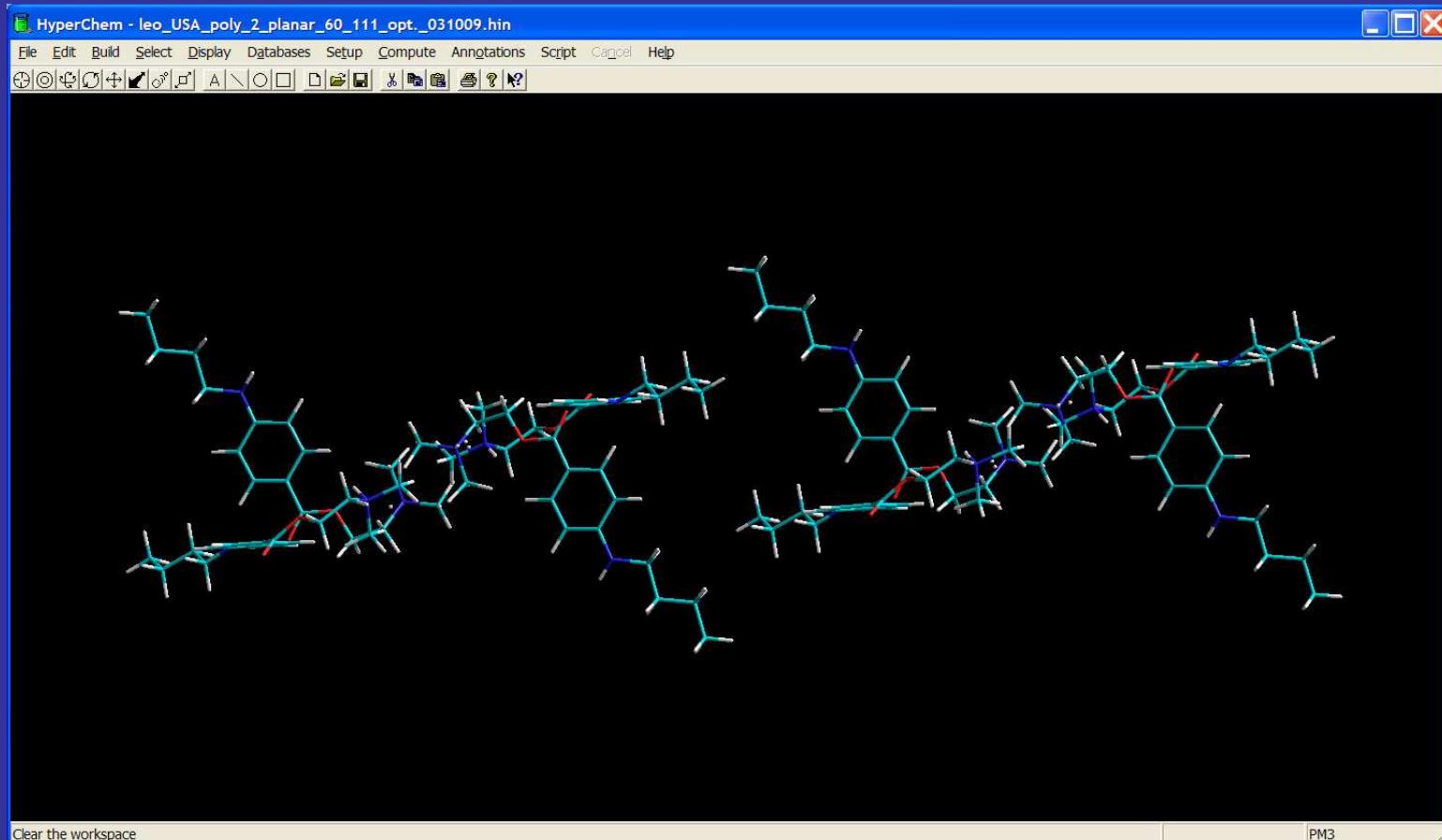
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## LEO Polymorph # 1

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	C8 O1 C7		Unusual (enough hits)	626	123.960	116.351	2.206	<b>3.449</b>	7.608	97.347	127.366	116.375	0.202
	C8 C9 N1		Unusual (enough hits)	33	108.056	113.243	2.482	<b>2.090</b>	5.187	107.969	119.756	113.426	0.087
0001_1	C8 O1 C7 C4		Not unusual (enough hits)	2181	179.760							0.001	<b>0.939</b>
	C8 O1 C7 O2		Not unusual (enough hits)	2405	0.761							0.001	<b>0.938</b>
	O1 C8 C9 N1		Not unusual (enough hits)	590	58.275							0.041	<b>0.615</b>
	C8 C9 N1 C14		Not unusual (enough hits)	92	-165.363							0.153	<b>0.348</b>
	C8 C9 N1 C15		Not unusual (enough hits)	92	77.700							0.310	<b>0.120</b>
	C2 C1 N2 C10		Not unusual (enough hits)	371	20.482							0.847	<b>0.156</b>
	C6 C1 N2 C10		Not unusual (enough hits)	371	-159.503							0.158	<b>0.154</b>
	C11 C10 N2 C1		Not unusual (enough hits)	112	-150.084							1.061	<b>0.098</b>
	O1 C7 C4 C3		Unusual (enough hits)	10000	144.315							0.058	<b>0.006</b>
	O2 C7 C4 C3		Unusual (enough hits)	10000	-36.649							0.147	<b>0.011</b>
	O1 C7 C4 C5		Unusual (enough hits)	10000	-36.344							0.026	<b>0.007</b>
	O2 C7 C4 C5		Unusual (enough hits)	10000	142.692							0.036	<b>0.011</b>
	C7 O1 C8 C9		Unusual (enough hits)	191	137.257							0.725	<b>0.026</b>
	C12 C11 C10 N2		Unusual (enough hits)	1309	-140.048							5.325	<b>0.002</b>
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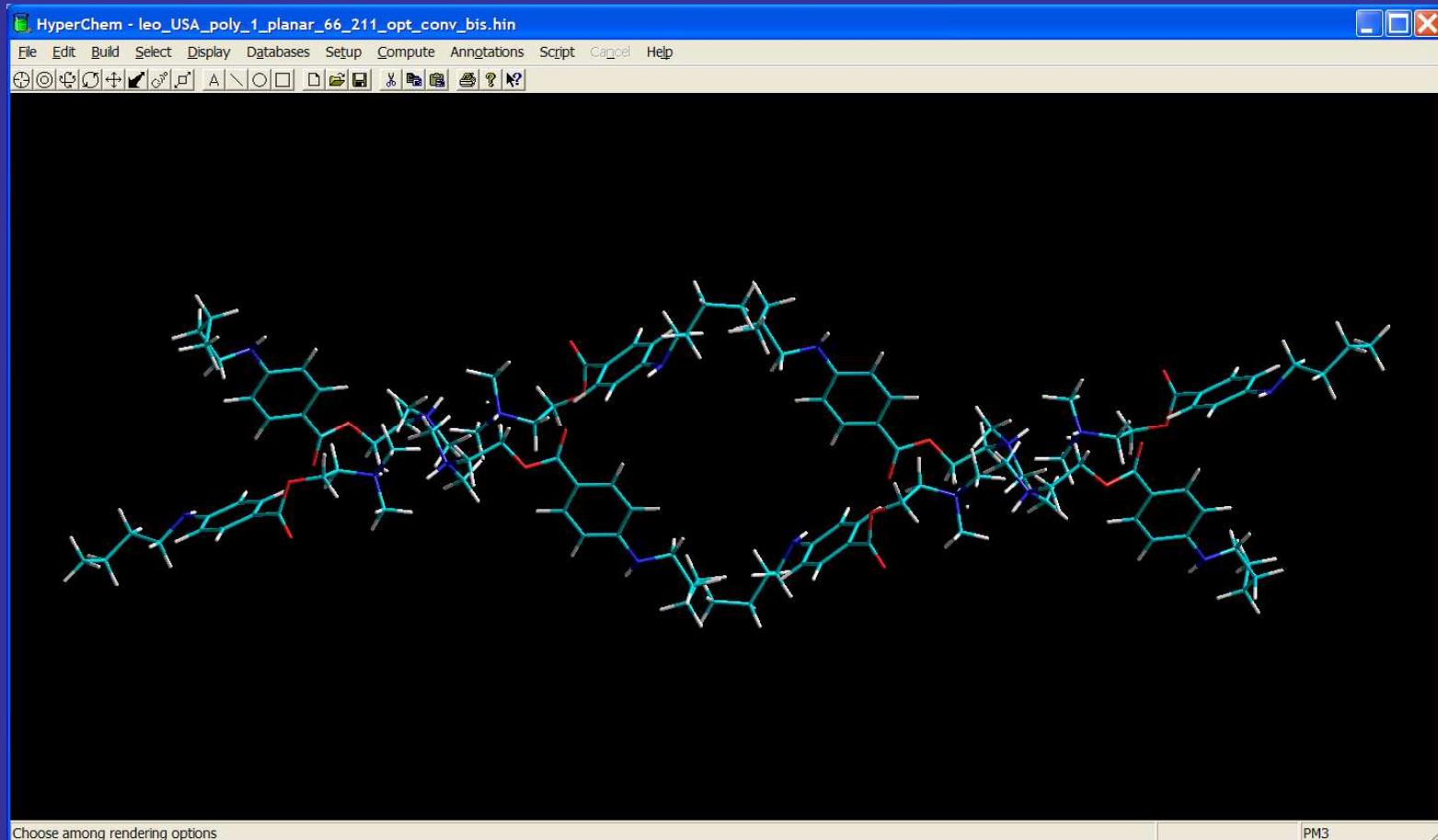
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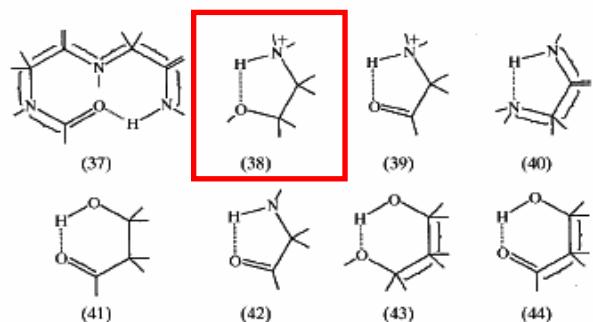
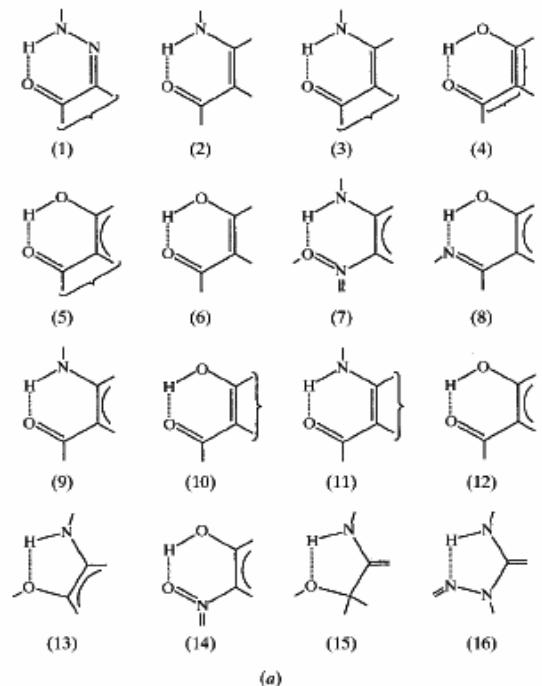
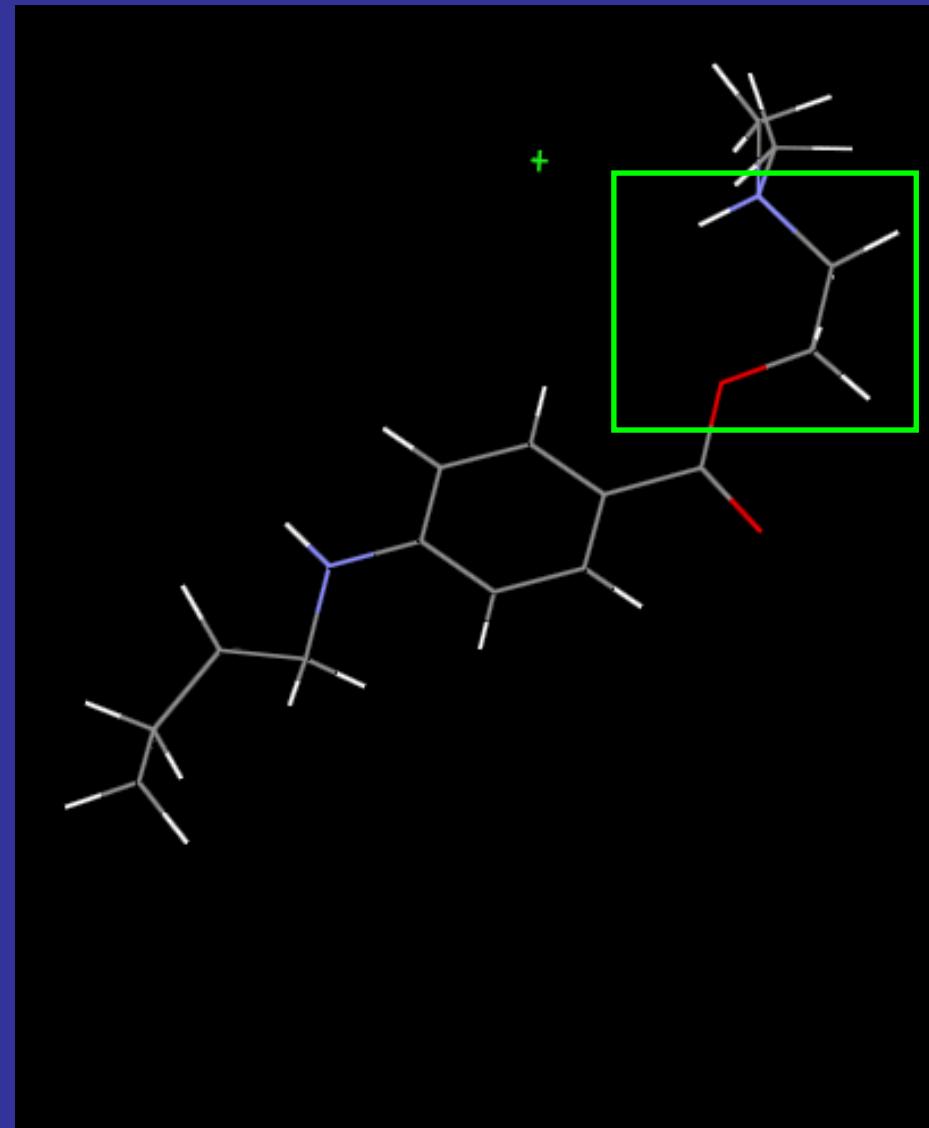


Figure 2  
Intramolecular motifs found in  $\geq 25$  structures.

Leocaine : poly # 1



# CONCLUSION

- Freeze-drying TCHC generates a new unknown polymorph:  
**Leocaine #1**
- Leocaine #1 exposure to intense X-ray beams [ synchrotron , 27 keV ] produces a second new polymorph: **Leocaine #2**
- Structure solution with :  
Index [ **N-TREOR-09 / EXPO-2009** ] ; Solve [ **FOX** ] ; Refine [ **GSAS** ]
- FOX requires a flexible molecular model:  
(i) Molecular Modeling (ii) XRPD [ TCHC , 2002 ] (iii) SXD [ TCHC ]
- Why FOX works better than EXPO-2009 on Leocaine ...  
... Preferred Orientation is included in the Monte-Carlo search
- Next : observe Leocaine #1 ↗ Leocaine #2 transition **in situ**

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