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ToxML: Community Based Development of a Common Data Exchange Standard for Toxicology

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Background

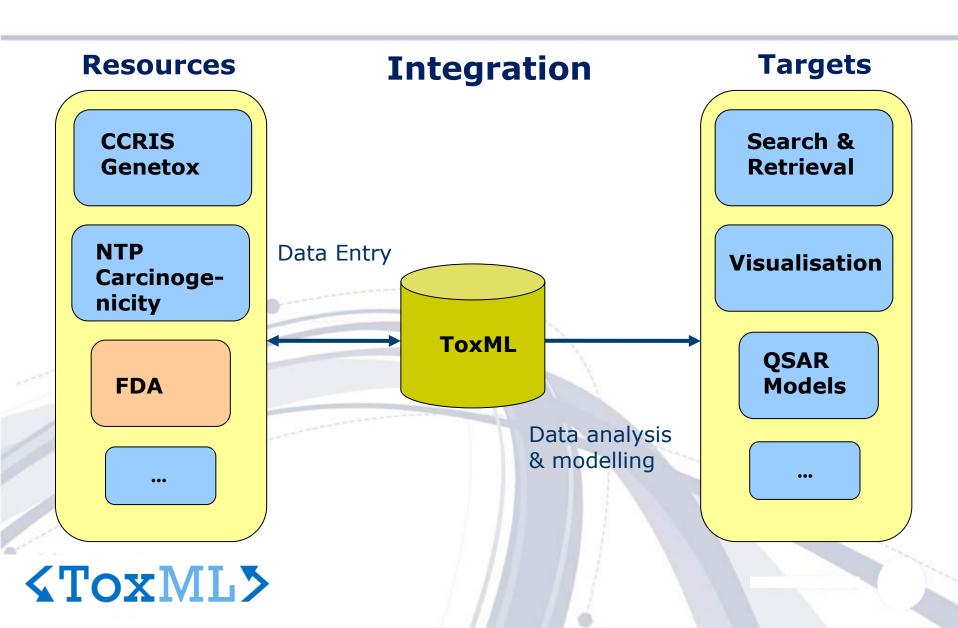
The need for a data exchange standard



- Submitting data to regulators
- Organisations communicate or share data
- Data mining, retrieval and visualisation
- in silico predictive toxicology



Background



Fundamentals of ToxML

- Original project created a preliminary exchange format
- Initiated by Leadscope & Lhasa
- Mainly developed by Leadscope in collaboration with US FDA
- Linked to the development of a data entry tool freely available
- Covers single/repeat-dose toxicity studies & carcinogenicity studies
- XML Extensible Markup Language:
 - hierarchical data structure
 - chemical compound serves as root node
 - supports both binary & non-binary data (numbers, text, images)
- Tox studies submitted as self contained data files
- Controlled/normalised vocabulary ensures consistency
- Standard to be fully in the public domain
- Maintained by ToxML Standard Organisation (TSO)

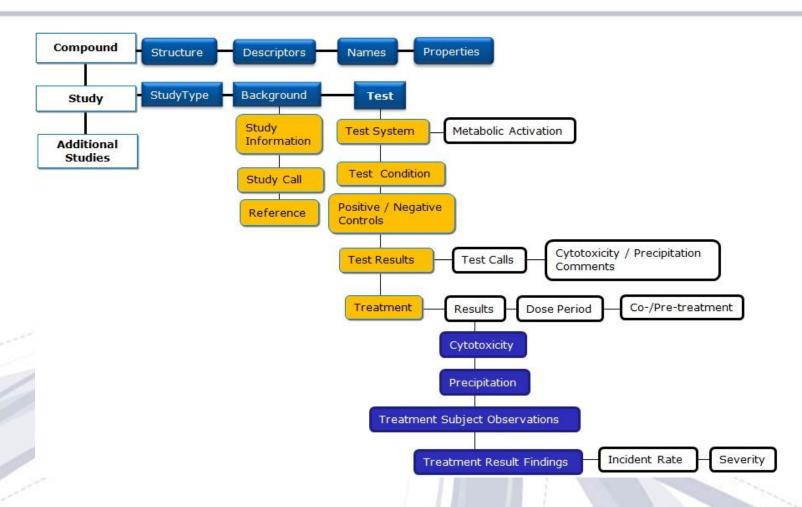


Existing Exchange Formats

- SEND, OECD Harmonised Templates (IUCLID)
- Designed primarily for submission of regulatory information
- Developed for nonclinical data
- DSSTox (Distributed Structure-Searchable Toxicity Database)
- Mainly used for exchange of data via the EPA web site
- Based on SD file format
- SDFiles
- Chemical structure well defined
- All other data non-standardised
- CSV
- Default format for flat files



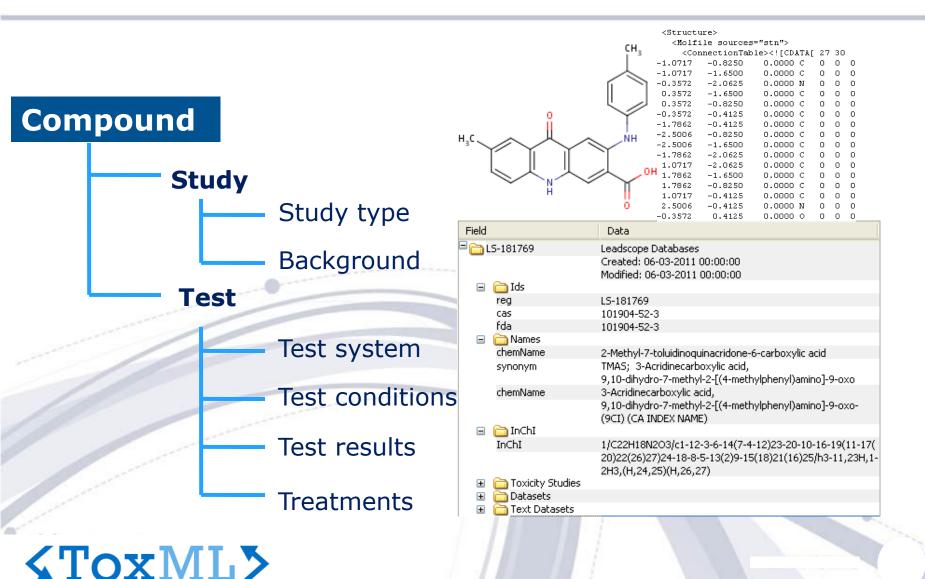
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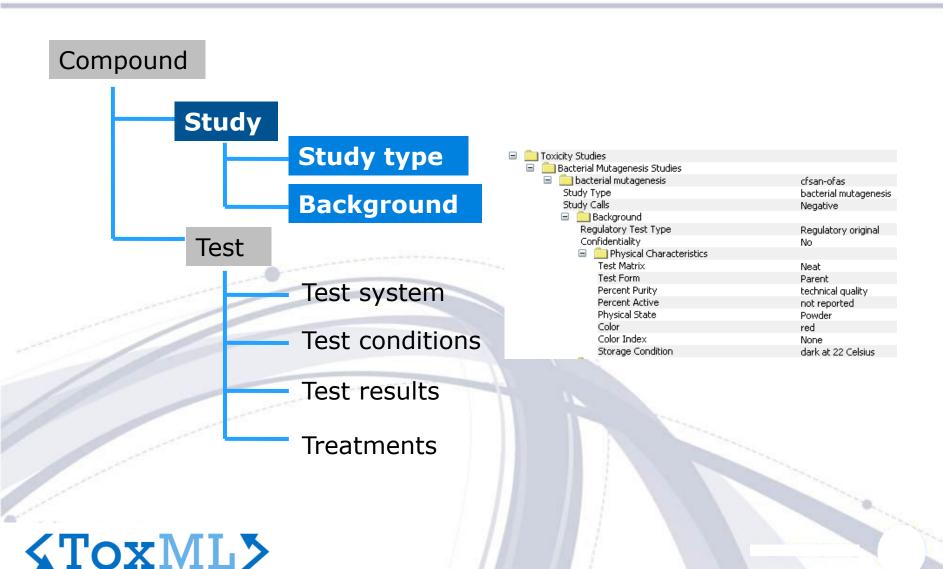
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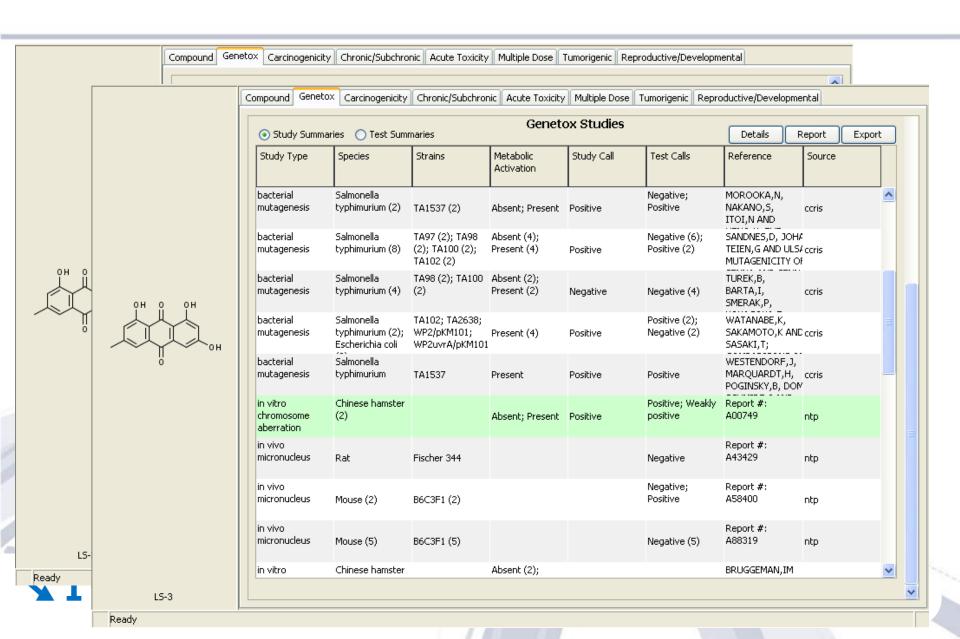
ToxML Record



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Integrated ToxML Record



ToxML Data Types

27 Study/Data Types Modeled to Date

Genetic Toxicity

- Bacterial Mutagenesis
- in vitro Chromosome Aberration
- in vitro Micronucleus
- *in vivo* Chromosome Aberration
- in vivo Micronucleus
- Mammalian Mutagenesis

Skin Penetration

- Bacterial Mutagenesis
- Skin Sensitisation
 - Local Nymph Node

* In Vivo Repeat Dose Studies

- Carcinogenicity
- Chronic
- Subchronic
- Reproductive
- Developmental
- Developmental neurotoxicity

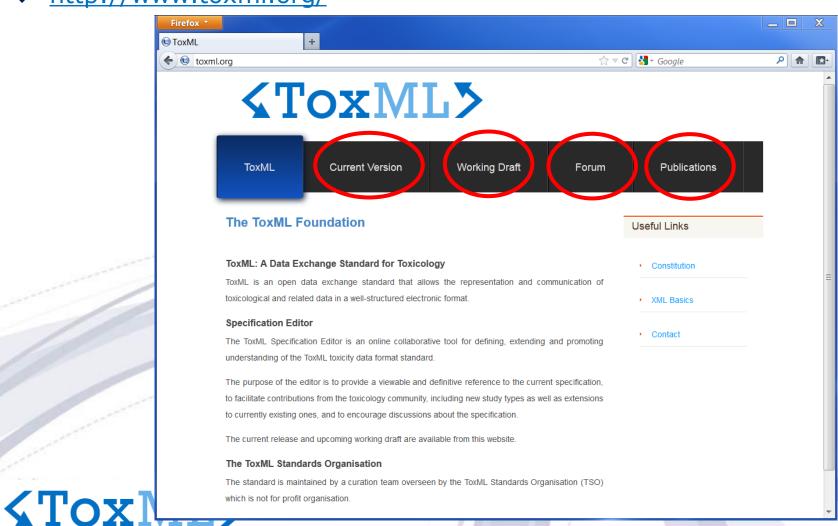
In Vivo Single Dose Studies

- Acute
- * Ecotoxicity
 - Aquatic

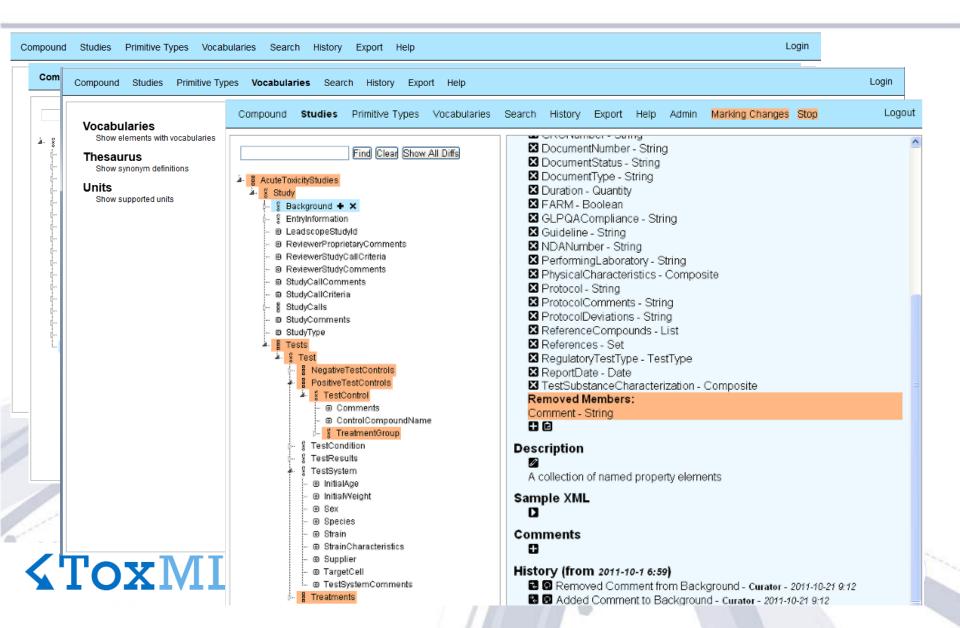


Wiki Website

http://www.toxml.org/



Specification Viewer and Editor



Future Use & Development of ToxML

- Extending ToxML
 Promote and encourage contributions through the ToxML Wiki site
- SEND and ToxML Working Together
 - Data outside the remit of SEND
 - Controlled vocabulary harmonisation
 - Consolidate SEND study meta-data (SDTM) with ToxML
- Software tools to import/export from databases
 - Leadscope: parser generator & data entry tool kit
 - Lhasa: Vitic
 - eTOX
- New study types
 - Additional endpoints (contributors)



Summary

- Freely available data exchange standard
 - tools available now
 - designed to be extensible
 - 'community' approach: avoid chaotic expansion
 - any application capable of handling XML files
- Objective to make data capture & sharing easier
- Standard maintained by TSO, overseen by an advisory board
- Further information http://www.toxml.org



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